



# Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success

Randwick Church of England Primary School  
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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers of children in years 2, 3 or 5,

I am writing to confirm final details for your child's return to school. Please find attached our home-school agreement which is focussed on keeping both children and staff safe. Please ensure that you have read both this letter and the agreement, and explained the changes to your children so that they are prepared.

This plan has been put together following guidance from the government, the local authority and the Health and Safety Executive (HSE). However, we can only make this work if staff change 'bubbles' after two and a half days out of school (eg Friday afternoon and the weekend). Children moving from their key worker bubble to their new year group bubble will have a minimum of four days out of school in between. This is far from ideal but this is the best we can do, and even now, maintaining bubbles with one set of toilets and access to them via one hall is limited. We will maintain a rigorous approach to hygiene, and the school will receive an extra deep clean over the weekend before the start of the week 6 and 13 July. You may decide not to bring your child back in these circumstances, that is your choice and entirely understandable. I felt you should have this information before you before making the final decision.

**There will be no breakfast club or after school clubs running during this term.**

***Please note, these plans are subject to changes in advice sent by the government and our local authority.***

## Groups and classrooms

Y2, y3 and y5 children will be in school from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July (as well as our reception children and children of key workers).

- **y2** children will be taught in Buzzard class by Mrs Smith (Mon to Wed lunchtime, Mrs Aristoleous (Wed to Friday lunchtimes) and Mrs Phillips (every morning and Monday and Wednesday afternoons), with the learning planned by Miss Aldous.
- **y3** children will be taught in Kestrel class by Miss Marais.
- **y5** children will be taught in Sparrowhawk class by Mr Hodgkinson and Mrs Robinson.
- We will be using the playground and the field by the village hall on a rota basis so that each group has plenty of space to play at break and lunch without mixing with other groups. Children can use the wooden play trail on the playground (the clamber stack is out of bounds) but they will need to sanitise hands before and after use. We have installed a dispenser on the equipment. There is a dispenser too just inside the back door and hand sanitiser outside the office.

## Daily organisation



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- We will encourage social distancing wherever possible, but recognise that with young children in particular, this isn't always possible, or appropriate!
- Arrival, breaks and the end of day will be staggered to minimise contact with other groups:

#### **ARRIVAL (with one parent/carer)**

**Y2** will arrive between 0840 and 0845 outside the gate to the small playground and staff will come out to collect them together and take them in through the kitchen rear door.

**Y3** will arrive between 0855 and 0900 on the large playground and be collected by Miss Marais from there.

**Y5** will arrive between 0840 and 0845 on the large playground and be collected by Mr Hodgkinson from there

Parents cannot come into school (eg please stay outside the gate).

#### **HOME TIME (with one parent/carer)**

**Y2** will leave from the gate to the small playground at 1500 (please arrive at school via The Lane to avoid mixing with other parents and children)

**Y3** children can be collected from the large playground at 1500. Miss Marais will bring them out to you so please wait on the playground and not by the back gate.

**Y5** children can be collected from the large playground at 1515. Mr Hodgkinson will bring them out to you so please wait on the playground and not by the back gate.

- Playtimes are staggered so that only two groups at a time are on the playground
- The children will be taught and reminded daily about the new safety rules in school.
- Children should bring a **named** packed lunch (including a snack for playtime) which they will eat outside, weather permitting. Y3 and 5 lunch boxes will be stored in the shade outside the back door and y2 lunchboxes will be stored in the blue wire shelving in the shade outside the back door of the kitchen. Please put freezer packs in lunchboxes each day to keep them cool.

### Additional safety precautions

- Children need only bring a named water bottle and named hand cleanser into school. They will keep this on their desk and bring it home daily so it can be washed daily at home. Please apply sunscreen at home and provide your child with a **named** hat if it is hot.
- We will provide individual stationery for children and this will not be shared.
- Children will need to wear trainers/outdoor shoes and comfortable clothes, rather than school uniform. Please ensure that fresh, clean clothes are worn each day and that children's nails are kept short to help us protect children and staff.
- Handles and surfaces regularly touched will be cleaned frequently.
- The school will be cleaned thoroughly at the end of each day.
- If a child becomes unwell during the school day, they will be looked after separately and sent home as soon as they can be collected. Please ensure you that you have someone else available to collect your child if you are not close to home.
- We will ensure that children are socially distanced in the toilets and when waiting. They will wash their hands as we have all been shown and use their own hand cleanser when returning to



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class. We will leave as many doors open as possible so contact with handles is minimised. These will be wiped after school.

- Visitors to school will be kept to an absolute minimum; maintenance work etc. will be carried out after school.

The government have asked schools to stress that children should not attend if they, or a member of their family they live with, are showing any symptoms of Covid-19.

If a child or member of staff attending school develops symptoms, they will be sent home, asked to take a test and if confirmed, they will need to self-isolate for 7 days and their family and **everyone in their school group** will need to isolate for 14 days.

## IMPORTANT NOTE

For all our safety, all staff will be keeping to the home-school agreement. If your child comes to school without a lunchbox or water bottle **they will not be able to come into school** (and you will need to keep your child with you and pick up these items if they have been forgotten). Please make sure they have a small hand sanitiser with them every day (try to source ones with over 60% alcohol content). They will not be able to bring a reading book to school. **It is vital too that you make sure you are here on time both in the morning and at the end of the day.** In these circumstances, there is no leeway in applying the home-school agreement, as I'm sure you understand. Do please email me direct if you have any questions.

Best wishes,

David Poad

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