

Year 1 and Year 2-Returning to school

What happens at the beginning and end of the day?

You will be starting school at **8.50am**. An adult will bring you to school and wait in line by the school gate. A teacher will be at the gate ready to show you where to go. At the end of the day a teacher will take you back to the school gate at **3.30pm** where your adult will be waiting to take you home. If you have a brother or sister who is arriving and leaving at an earlier time than you in school, you will arrive and leave with them at this time too. Your teachers will know this information and don't worry, you won't be missing out on anything different than your friends in class.

Arrive to school and come in from either the gate at the front of school



Or the gate by the lay-by



You will then go through to your classrooms through this gate.



Who will be in my bubble?

You will be learning in your classrooms and staying in these classrooms/outside areas all day but you will get the chance to play with friends from some of the other classes at break and lunchtime. We are calling these groups 'bubbles.' Year 1 and 2 are the **Red Bubble**. We will stay in our own bubble in our space at break and lunchtimes. Different bubbles will have different times to play and eat which we will let you know more about when you come into school. You will not be able to always keep your distance from each other, especially not in the classroom but we do ask that you do not hug and hold hands with each other.. You should try to keep your distance from other children and adults when you can.

What will break times and lunch times look like?

You will spend your break time with the other children in your 'bubble.' You will have your packed lunch at your desk in the classroom that you have been working in (the tables will be cleared and cleaned before and after you eat). A lunchtime supervisor will come to the classroom and stay with you at lunchtime in the classroom and on the playground. Your break times may be at different times than normal but your teachers will tell you all the routines you need to know.

Where will I put my things?

We will still be using the same cloakroom to put your coat and bag at the beginning of the school day. We have moved your name label to a different place but don't worry – an adult will help you find your new peg place on your first day in school.

What will my classroom look like?

Your classrooms will look just as exciting as normal, with boards about your topics and exciting learning spaces. Your desks will be next to each other and facing the front in rows. You will have your trays to put things in at the end of the day as normal and a peg to hang your coat, bag and lunchbox. Your teachers will still be able to help you with your work in class, answer questions, show you how to do things and help you when you need it. Your teachers will be keeping the classroom clean and tidy and will need your help as well. 😊



Will I need to wear my school uniform?

You will be wearing your usual school uniform but not every day! On your PE days and Forest school days, you will be wearing your PE kit to school so you won't need to get changed. On PE and Forest School Days you must wear a blue school jumper. Don't worry your teacher will send a message home to explain when these days will be.

Will I need to keep washing my hands?

We know that regularly washing our hands is one of the best ways to keep us safe. We will make sure we do lots of handwashing at school, singing our 'Happy Birthday' song as we do so!



What should I bring from home?

Just your wonderful selves, water bottle, glasses if needed, a fruit snack for breaktime and lunchbox (unless you are having a cold box). We will ensure that you have a reading book to keep in school. You do not need to bring anything else into school please unless asked or you have been given permission by a teacher.

You will have your own tray as usual.

Normally at school, we love you to share things with each other and you are all so kind to do this but we are asking now that you only use your own things. If you need something that you do not have, please ask your teacher.

Remember children, this is new to the adults in school too- we are all learning together so do not worry if you forget what to do. Your EB family will be there to look after you and we cannot wait to see you soon! 😊 You might like to watch your video from your new class teacher again before you start school.