



Winterbourne Junior Girls' School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming your daughter back to school on **Monday 8th March 2021**. As you know the government has asked all school leaders to get schools ready for the return of ALL their pupils. Attendance is therefore mandatory.

The following measures have been put in place:

- All areas have been thoroughly cleaned and are cleaned several times per day. The school will continue to be thoroughly cleaned at the end of each day, with a deep clean happening at least once a week.
- The children will be working in year group bubbles with a maximum of 30 pupils per class – each year group has also been allocated a break out area to enable us to reduce class sizes.
- Year 6 will now work as three separate classes.
- All year groups will work in their class sets for all subjects to minimise movement.
- Excess furniture has been removed from classrooms so that we can ensure that the staff are 2m away from the pupils.
- Break and lunch times will be staggered and the playground will be divided into zones, with restrictions on free flow play and interaction.
- The girls will be reminded to wash their hands and sanitise regularly.
- Staff will have access to PPE when they require it e.g. when they are working closer than 2 metres with pupils.

- Windows and doors will be kept open to increase the air flow within the school.
- We ask the girls to bring in their own hand sanitisers and tissues as they did before the Lockdown.
- The girls will be expected to wear face coverings to and from school (to be kept on until temperature has been checked) and have a plastic zip loc bag available to keep it in whilst at school.
- Each child will have a temperature check each day prior to entering the building. If a child's temperature is 37.8 or above they will be sent home for everyone's safety. Please check your daughter's temperature before leaving home
- To help protect children, staff and all members of our school community, we have implemented a one-way system around the school both inside and outside the building.
- Social distancing of 2 metres will be expected in all communal areas e.g. corridors, queues etc...
- For your safety and ours, we prefer to deal with office queries via email or telephone. The reception area will be open to one person (family group) at a time.
- For the safety and protection of everyone, we ask you to wear a face mask whilst on the school site. **Please note that you will be refused entry to the playground and the school building if you do not have a face covering on unless exempt.**

The government will in the near future make available twice weekly **home** Covid tests for primary aged children. When we receive more information, we will let you know.

Your daughter will be expected to wear her full school uniform, including her school blazer and black school shoes – (summer or winter uniform is permissible).

Your daughter will need to bring her:

- **Face covering**
- **Mini hand sanitiser and personal tissues**
- **Packed lunch – if she is not having a school dinner**
- **Water bottle – as drinking water fountains have been turned off for hygiene reasons**
- **Plastic zip loc bag for her face covering (mask)**
- **WJGS P.E. kit**
- **Her school pencil case and headphones if she has taken them home**

As you know, the safety of all members of our school community is our top priority. I want to share again with you the measures we have put in place to support social distancing during drop offs and pick ups.

We have set staggered pick up times to reduce the number of people on the school site at any one time and avoid crowding at school entrances and exits, so that everyone can keep to a safe distance.

When you get to school, the following measures will be in place for everyone's safety:

Please **ONLY** use the **GIRLS' SCHOOL** pedestrian gate on entering the site.

The exit will be through the main vehicle gates

DROP OFF

1. The gates to the playground will be opened at **8.40am**.
2. Follow the socially distanced yellow lines to the playground – please note if somebody is on the line in front of you please do not move forward until it is clear.
3. The children will receive hand sanitiser at the gate and be temperature checked as they enter the building.
4. Parents are asked to drop their daughter's off at the main gate if possible – if you are not happy to do this, please ensure you socially distance away from the line of waiting children. The children will be supervised by a member of staff into the building from the playground gate.

PICK UP

Year 3 and 6 will be dismissed into the car park area from the school exit at the far end of the building.

Year 3 pick up = **3.25pm** and Year 6 pick up = **3.40pm**.

Year 4 and 5's pick up point is the school playground. Parents will be expected to wear face coverings and social distance whilst waiting to be let onto the playground.

Timings are Year **4 =3.30pm** and Year 5 = **3.35pm**.

Year 4 parents will be let onto the playground first and year 5 will be asked to wait outside the gate until the majority of the year 4 pupils have left the area.

Parents are asked to exit the playground through the clearly marked exit gate and join the main flow of parents exiting through the vehicle gate of the school site – observing social distancing.

May I remind you once again to arrive at your allocated pick up time and **not** before.

Getting to school

If you can, I would like to encourage you to walk, scoot or cycle to school with your child.

If this isn't possible, then:

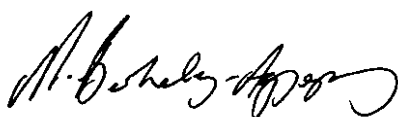
If you are planning to drive, please remember that restrictions are in place on Winterbourne Road.

If you are planning to use public transport, do your best to avoid peak times and stick to government guidance.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office on 020 6843532

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to being able to welcome your child back to school in September.

Kind Regards



M. Berkeley-Agyepong
HEADTEACHER