

## SET Parent/Carer COVID update and guidance

*The school's risk assessment for the full reopening of schools is published on our website.*

**Students should not attend school if they feel unwell. Symptoms of coronavirus: high temperature (37.8 degrees C or more), a new continuous cough or a loss of, or change of, their normal sense of taste or smell. (Stay at home guidance is included in the published school's risk assessment for September 2020 on our website).**

### Health guidance

- Shielding for those who are extremely clinically vulnerable paused on 1<sup>st</sup> August (subject to continued decline in transmission) and the Government will no longer be advising these individuals to shield.
- Students who previously were shielding are now able to return to school. Parents/carers should contact the class teacher to discuss arrangements for their child's return and any concerns they may have, as well as receive reassurance of the controls in place. Individual risk assessments will need to be completed and your child's EHCP updated if appropriate.
- Should your child become unwell in school you will be contacted immediately and asked to collect your child promptly. You will receive guidance to take home to inform you on what to do should the symptoms present as coronavirus. A flowchart is attached to help.
- Testing
  - Students who develop symptoms **should be** tested. Testing is most sensitive within 3 days of symptoms developing. (Testing guidance is included in the attached flowchart and in the published school's risk assessment for September 2020 on our website).
  - Parents/carers should advise the school of the **date and outcome of the test promptly.**
- "Catch it, kill it, bin it" message will be reinforced. Tissues will be provided in each classroom. Please talk to your child about this importance of this.

### The school day

On return to school drop off and pick up times will still be staggered. Parents will need to drop off/collect from the allocated gate below at the designated time; the playground will no longer be used before/after school.

#### **Drop off and pick up times from September:**

##### **For drop off in the morning:**

8.30 - Children surnames starting with A – H

8.40 - Children surnames starting with I – N

8.50 – Children surnames starting with O – Z

##### **For collection at the end of the day:**

3.00 - Children surnames starting with A – H

3.10 - Children surnames starting with I – N

3.20 – Children surnames starting with O – Z

	EYFS Ladybirds	Y1 Elmer	Y2 Moomin	Y3 Potter	Y3/4 Kerr	Y4/5 Dr. Seuss	Y5 Dahl	Y6 Shakespeare
Drop off & Collection	EYFS Garden Gate	EYFS Garden Gate	EYFS Garden Gate	Main Entrance	Main Entrance	Upper KS2 Gate	Upper KS2 Gate	Upper KS2 Gate

Please note Reception children will follow their induction timings (emailed separately) until 14<sup>th</sup> September, when they then follow the above.

Break and lunch times will be staggered throughout the day in phase bubbles.

EYFS/KS1 Lunch (Ladybirds/Elmer/Moomin) 12-1pm

LKS2 Lunch (Kerr, Potter) 12.-1pm

KS2 Lunch (Dr. Seuss, Dahl, Shakespeare) 12.30-1.30pm

#### Other information

- In light of the current situation our behaviour guidance has been updated please see <http://www.harpendenacademy.co.uk/1663/coronavirus-update>.
- Hot lunches (see menu options) and packed lunches will be eaten in classrooms. Children then have an allocated slot on the playground in their phase bubble.
- Your child will need to bring in their own water bottle daily.
- Students to provide their own basic equipment (pens, pencils, ruler, etc) to avoid sharing. Equipment will not be available for loan.
- One-way systems will be clearly marked in corridors and stairways your child must abide by these.
- We are minimising visits to the school. If you have a questions or concern or just want to pass on some information please email [office@harpendenacademy.co.uk](mailto:office@harpendenacademy.co.uk) , you will receive a received email response to let you know it has arrived with a more detailed response to follow if appropriate.
- Guidance remains in force to limit the use of public transport if possible.