

Key worker/Vulnerable children school places

Tuesday 5th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers of key worker/vulnerable Ecclesall Primary School children,

We have had over 250 requests for a place today and have allocated 238 places in total at present. We are at capacity and our bubbles are larger than in the summer term due to these high numbers. If you are a key worker but have another responsible adult at home, please consider whether you still need a place. The Government advice is even stronger this time “**STAY AT HOME**”. Boris Johnson has warned everyone that “the coming weeks would be the hardest yet amid surging cases and patient numbers”. Today, the latest daily positive Covid figures are 60, 916. We have been made aware that some people may have misunderstood the Government guidance. **If you think this applies to you, please contact us immediately. It may be that we will need to ask for proof of employment from both parents/carers if not.** Having more children at school increases the risk of transmission across our school community. Thank you.

You will now have received a text confirming that your child has a place in a year group bubble from tomorrow (Wednesday 6th January). **Please only send your child/ren into school when you need to, i.e on the days that you work.**

Below is a table of all the year groups with the staggered start and end times and the meeting points. At present we have organised two bubbles per year group so that the third teacher can work on the remote learning on a daily basis. We will continue to work as year group bubbles sharing staff (whether teachers/TAs) across each year group.

Meeting points for arrival and collection from Wednesday 6th January 2021

Year group	Class teacher	Meeting point for arrival and collection	Staggered start and end times
Reception	Mrs Ramsey / Mrs Goodwin/ Mrs Firth/ Mrs Hoole	Via the new path from the top of the car park to the Y1 playground. Please wait near to the Reception gate area.	9am start 3pm end
Y1	Miss Fairclough Mrs Gill / Miss Woodhouse/ Miss Lloyd	Via the new path from the top of the car park to the Y1 playground. Please wait near to the Y1 Seals classroom area.	8.50am start 3.10pm end
Y2	Mrs McManus/Mrs Hanif/	Outside Tigers classroom door on main playground	8.40am start 3pm end

	Mr Stedman/ Mrs Ramshaw/ Mrs Southern		
Y3	Mrs Earl/ Mrs Sutcliffe/ Mrs Chester Mrs Biggs/ Miss Haslam	Main playground near the grass verge facing the Y3 classrooms	8.30am start 3pm end
Y4	Miss Gray/ Mrs Pegg/ Mrs Lucas/Mr Griffin	Main playground near MUGA	8.40am start 3.10pm end
Y5	Miss Raynor/ Mr Fretter	Main playground near MUGA	8.50am start 3.20pm end
Y6	Mrs Marlow/ Mr Tague/ Mrs Gould/Mrs Palmer-Young	On pathway near Y6 block. Use Stannage outside door.	9am start 3.30pm end

Reminders

- Continue with our staggered timings for start and end of school.
- Ensure everyone is adhering to the social distancing guidelines whilst waiting for your other children. If you are waiting near other families, please ensure your child is only with children from their own year group and not others using the same policies as we do during the school day.
- We continue to request that all adults please **wear a face mask** when dropping off and collecting and ensure they are socially distancing please.
- **Please leave the school site as soon as you have collected your child/ren:** There are times when the playground appears quite congested.
- Please remind your children not to go on either trim trail before or after school as we have year group bubbles on a rota each week.
- If your child is Y5/6 and walks to school on their own, please do not let them arrive before their allocated start time as there will be no SLT responsible for them in the playground. **We have to stress how important it is to keep the amount of people on the school site to the absolute minimum.**

- We are continuing with our one way system by entering the school site via High Storrs Road driveway when arriving in the morning and collecting at the end of the day. After dropping your child, you can either leave via Huntley Road exit or the High Storrs Road driveway by keeping to the left please.
- **Bags, equipment (including pencil cases) and soft toys must not be brought into school.** Stationary will be provided in school for each class. Only reading books in a reading book bag can be brought into school and taken home each day but any other resources should be reduced to minimise any risk. It would be helpful if you could provide a named pack of tissues and hand gel for your child to keep in their tray.
- Please only provide healthy snacks for your child, for example, a piece of fruit (no crisps/chocolate) as we are a Healthy school. **NO NUTS** or anything containing traces of nuts in snacks or own packed lunches please. Please only allow **WATER** in the water bottles and no juice/squash.
- **Driveway:** The school gates are closed to all vehicles (apart from disabled access) from **8.20am-9.10am** and **from 2.50-3.40pm** whilst the staggered timings are in place. The car park is for school staff only please.
- **Wear school uniform but also extra clothing:** please remember to wear warm clothing and additional extra layers under school uniform. Don't forget your coat in addition to your school fleece as we aim to go outside daily whatever the weather. The children can wear their school hoody indoors at present too.

Reminder: Covid-19 symptoms:

If a child or staff member in the bubble has a **positive** result of Covid-19, the whole bubble (year group) will need to leave our school site and self-isolate for 10 days. If someone in your household tests positive, please email both myself headteacher@ecclesall.sheffield.sch.uk and the office enquiries@ecclesall.sheffield.sch.uk so we can quickly advise you on the process that takes place.

We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow.

Kind Regards

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