



# St Chad's C.E. Primary School

## Parent information-Plans for opening on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020

**\*School is closed to children every Wednesday from 1<sup>st</sup> June (all day)- except for Key worker children who will come to school 5 days per week.**

**\*Chadley's will run- am and pm (until 4:20pm) every day**

**WE WILL BE OPEN TO CHILDREN FROM TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE- N/R/Y1 and Key Worker children on our register (Y6 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE)**

### Frequently asked questions

All aspects of our plan are subject to change as government guidance and regulations are changing rapidly and therefore continual adaptations are taking place. I am sure you can appreciate the complexity of planning for such an uncertain situation.

#### **Will I be fined if I refuse to send my child to school?**

No, you will not be fined and normal attendance policies are not in place at this time. It is parental choice whether your child attends or not.

#### **What will drop off and collection times look like to protect parents and carers as well as teaching staff and children?**

The school site will be operating a clear one way system for entering and leaving the site and no parent will be allowed to enter any school building. Each bubble will also have a designated entrance and exit into school. Please note that only one parent is to bring their child to school and times of dropping off and collecting- this must be adhered to.

The start of the day will be staggered by surnames for all children in school (including key workers). Chadley's children will be in school prior to these times.

A-M 8.55am

N-Z 9.05am

The end of the day will be staggered:

Y1 bubbles collected from KS2 playground - Purple 2:45pm/ Y1 Orange 2:55pm/ Y1 Pink 3:00pm

Nursery 2:45pm from EY gate

Rec Yellow 2.55pm from EY gate

Rec Green 3.00pm from EY gate

Brown (keyworkers) 3:00pm (from KS2 playground)

The one way system will involve use of the car park so the **car park will be out of bounds** for any car movement between 8:40-9:20 & 2:40-3:20. **No parent cars will use The Gateway under any circumstances after 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020- at any time.**

#### **Will hand-gel be used at the front door?**

No, hand washing will be the first essential task for all children and staff on arrival at the school and throughout the day.

#### **Will school ensure regular hand washing?**

Absolutely! This is a fundamental safety precaution that will be in place. There will be clear expectations for all pupils and staff to wash their hands several times per day. This will include arriving at and leaving the site as well as at any transition points throughout their school day. Staff will also meet these expectations. There will be timetable hand washing session in class. Children will also be checked for hand washing after using the toilet.

### **Will be expected to wear school uniform when they return to school?**

No, uniform will not be necessary this side of September. We are very aware that most of our children will have grown during the school closure and therefore do not expect anyone to purchase new uniform before the start of the new school year. Instead pupils will need to wear comfortable clothing that will support a range of indoor and outdoor activities. In regards to safety measures, it is important that children wear clean and fresh clothes each day they attend school. Please do not bring in extra clothes. Children must bring a coat EVERY day and wear shoes/ trainers that they can fasten independently.

### **What can my child drink throughout the day?**

Drinking water will be available all day -using disposable cups in classroom. Drinks will also be provided by the kitchen as part of the lunch packs. Children who bring in a packed lunch may bring a non-fizzy drink in a disposable bottle.

### **How would break/lunch times work? Would snacks and lunch be provided as before?**

Break times will be staggered with each group allocated a particular play zone for use throughout the day. Children are able to bring one snack from home for break time. This must only be a piece of fruit and it must not have any wrapping or brought in a container eg. 1 apple/ 1 banana/ 1 pear. We cannot help children peel oranges!

At Lunchtimes- one Lunchtime Supervisor will be assigned to each bubble and they will stay with that bubble at all times. A packed lunch will be provided by the kitchen for Universal Free School Meals (all Reception and Year 1, Key worker children in Year 2) and KS2 FSM and this will be delivered to the classroom. This will be eaten at individual desks or outside in own their own Bubble zone.

Other key worker children **AND NURSERY** children should bring packed lunch in disposable bag.

### **How will teaching methods change to work around the new guidelines?**

Our priority is and always has been the safety and well-being of pupils and staff. We are not expecting pupils to return to school and follow their previous teaching timetable. Teaching and learning will continue to mirror our home learning offering. There will be a daily focus on: core curriculum, PSHE and PE - as well as wider curriculum opportunities too.

### **Will children share resources as before? How will classrooms and equipment be sanitised after use?**

No. Children will have individual resources allocated to them which will be cleaned daily after use. Classrooms will be cleaned thoroughly each day. All children will have a tray on/ under desk with their own personal equipment/ books. Reading books will be used by one child for one day and then placed in isolation for 7 days.

### **How will the physical environment at school change to adhere to social distancing and new hygiene guidelines?**

The physical environment in school is already undergoing some changes. The guidance regarding social distancing in schools is very different to public guidance. In a primary phased school it is recognised that social distancing is not practical or, in most cases, is impossible. The impact of social distancing in a classroom will be very difficult. Therefore it is essential parents are aware that our safety measures are based on 'safe distancing'. Pupils will be encouraged to remain at a distance from their peers and staff but **we will not be able to guarantee a safe 2m distance between pupils** and do not expect our very young children to be able to manage this either. As a result we will instead be creating safe 'bubbles' within our school that minimise the interactions between different groups of pupils. **Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and key worker children** will only mix within their bubble. Classrooms will look different. We will be minimising the furniture in rooms and classroom layouts will be different to that which we left. Where desks are in place for pupils these will be safely distanced from one another, **however not always 2m apart**. Children hands should be empty on arrival and on leaving- except lunch pack for KS2 which should be disposed of after lunchtime (and a piece of fruit for break time if required).

**Will the children have the opportunity to complete exercise during the school day?**

Outdoor learning and exercise will form a large part of the routine for all children each day. This does not replace the need to exercise outside of school however. Appropriate footwear/ clothes should be worn to school. PE kits are not required.

**Will the staff be wearing masks/PPE?**

They do have that option- that is down to the choice of the individual staff member. The guidance does state that it is not necessary for staff to wear masks, gloves and aprons unless they are carrying out activities that would usually require the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) or if a child, young person or other learner becomes unwell with symptoms of coronavirus while in their setting and needs supervision until they can return home.

**School Office**

The school office will be closed to parents until further notice. Any questions or queries should be made via email, text or on the phone.

If we do need to arrange meetings with parents or other professionals, these will be held via phone calls or video call.

**How will those who choose to keep children at home be supported?**

Homework activities will continue to be provided on our website in the same format as before (for ALL year groups).

**What if my child is clinically vulnerable?**

If your child is defined as 'extremely clinically vulnerable' due to pre-existing medical conditions they should be shielding and should not attend school. If they are 'clinically vulnerable', they will be at a higher risk of severe illness from coronavirus and should follow medical advice about their return.

**What happens if a child or staff member shows symptoms of coronavirus?**

If a child, young person or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus, we will isolate them in a designated room and arrange for them to go home straight away. The room will be deep cleaned immediately afterwards.

They will be advised to self-isolate for 7 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days. The child or staff member is encouraged to get tested in this scenario.

Where the child or staff member tests negative, they can return to school and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.

Where the child or staff member tests positive, the rest of their group within school will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days. The other household members of that wider group do not need to self-isolate unless the child or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.

We will seek advice from Public Health England should we have a confirmed case of coronavirus.