



BOURNE ABBEY C of E PRIMARY ACADEMY
8th MARCH FULL RE-OPENING
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
UPDATED 23rd FEBRUARY 2021

What time is the school open?	<p>Our core hours will be.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School office 8.00 am to 4.00 p.m.• Main school will be open at different times for different year groups- see below• Abbey Ark and Kids' Club 7.30am – 6.00pm
What are the arrangements for dropping off and collection?	<p>Please note.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only <u>one adult</u> per family should bring a child/ren to school or collect them• Parents/Carers are asked to ensure that they are mindful of the appropriate social distancing while waiting at the gate and on the playground.• Face coverings must be worn (for those who are able) <p>We have staggered drop off and collection to ensure we can maintain safe social distancing on the playground and to avoid long queues on Abbey Road.</p> <p>Parents/Carers and children are to come in through the allocated gates as detailed in the table.</p> <p>Please note we are operating a one-way system and that gates for drop off and pick up are different.</p> <p>We will continue to use the path and gate to the side of the staff car park, which we are asking Parents/Carers to use.</p> <p>Parents/Carers will bring their child(ren) onto school grounds and the children will either line up with their teacher or be escorted straight to their classrooms. Please collect your child(ren) from the appropriate external door. There will be plenty of people around to guide you.</p> <p>Please stick to the times and gates listed below to allow us to get all children into school as quickly and safely as possible. Please bear with us and remember we have over 600 children!</p> <p>If your children have different drop off times, please drop off towards the end of the earlier time.</p> <p>If your children have different pick up times, please wait on the playground until the later time, ensuring you maintain social distance.</p>

	Gate – to come in with children	Time	Once children have been dropped off, please leave via	Gate to come in to collect	Time	Once children have been picked up, please leave via
Reception Term 1	Abbey Road	9.00	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.15	Abbey Road
Year 1	Abbey Road	8.35 – 8.50	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.00	Abbey Road
Year 2	Abbey Road	8.50 – 9.05	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.15	Abbey Road
Year 3	Manning Road	8.35 – 8.50	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.00	Manning Road
Year 4	Manning Road	8.50 – 9.05	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.15	Manning Road
Year 5	Manning Road	8.35 – 8.50	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.00	Manning Road
Year 6	Manning Road	8.50 – 9.05	Staff car park	Staff car park	3.15	Manning Road

Gates will be opened at 8.30 am and 2.50 pm.

Abbey Ark are to use their usual gate alongside the staff car park. Children from Jolly Giraffes and Happy Hippos whose surnames begin A – I, please arrive at 9.00 am and pick up at 3.00 pm. Those children with surnames J – Z please arrive at 9.15 am and collect at 3.15 pm.

Kids' Club will have their usual access arrangements. Please note that the school car park will be closed to cars from 8.30am until 9.15 a.m. and between 2.45 and 3.30pm. Please contact us should you have any access needs.

There will always be a member of the Leadership Team available to support children's safe arrival/departure to and from school.

Please be assured that we will regularly review the arrangements and amend if necessary.

Does my child have to come to school on 8th March

School attendance will be mandatory for all pupils from 8th March. The usual rules on school attendance apply, including:

- *parents' duty to secure their child's regular attendance at school (where the child is a registered pupil at school and they are of compulsory school age)*
- *schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence*
- *the availability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct*

As a school, we will not be issuing fixed penalty notices to families at this time, but if your child(ren) does not return we will make contact with you to discuss the reasons why. We will work closely with you to reassure you and your child(ren) that we have put in place all the necessary protective measures to enable all of our children to return to school on 8th March.

<p>Can Years 5 & 6 children walk home from school on their own?</p>	<p>Year 5 and 6 children, with new written permission from a Parent/Carer, may walk home on their own. Teachers will check who has new permission from 8th March.</p> <p>Parents/Carers are responsible for ensuring that pupils understand the need for social distancing in these circumstances. Please email your permission to the school enquiries email address.</p>
<p>Will Parents/Carers be able to access school?</p>	<p>Parents/Carers will not be permitted to enter the school buildings. If you wish to communicate with the teacher please telephone school or email the enquiries email address (see below).</p> <p>BAP.enquiries@abbeyacademies.co.uk 01778 422163</p>
<p>What are the arrangements for breaktime and lunchtime?</p>	<p>In order to ensure we minimise mixing and contact, breaktimes and lunchtimes will be staggered and children will eat in their classrooms.</p> <p>Children will go out to play on a nominated playground at an allocated time to avoid mixing with other groups. Playground equipment will be provided to a group where possible and then cleaned after use.</p>
<p>Will children be able to have a school meal or should they all bring a packed lunch?</p>	<p>Ideal School Meals will be providing school meals. Orders can be placed online in the normal way. This will allow all children to eat lunch with their peers in their class. Meals will be collected from the kitchen and delivered to the children by their nominated mid-day supervisor. All rubbish will be safely disposed of.</p> <p>To ensure your child receives their school meal on 8th March, orders will need to be placed by 28th February. Until the end of term 4, the menu will include cold options only. This will be reviewed regularly.</p> <p>If you have not ordered a school meal for your child you must provide a packed lunch.</p>
<p>Does my child have to wear school uniform?</p>	<p>Children should wear full school uniform.</p> <p>Please note that uniforms do not need to be cleaned any more often than usual, nor do they need to be cleaned using methods which are different from normal. We will of course take a mindful and considerate approach in relation to families who may be experiencing financial pressures at this time.</p>
<p>Will my child need their PE kit?</p>	<p>Yes, the children will be doing PE regularly and should bring their PE kit to school. PE kits will be sent home on Friday each week to be washed ready for Monday.</p>
<p>Should my child bring in their water bottle?</p>	<p>The children will need to bring in a named water bottle of their choice each day. They will bring it home at the end of the day for washing and should bring it back, filled, the following day. Once it is safe to do so, we will return to providing a school water bottle.</p> <p>Please note that the water bottle should not be used for squash or any other drinks. Children should bring a separate drink with them to have with their lunch.</p>

Will the children in Early Years and KS1 still receive a healthy snack each day?	Yes
Will the under 5s still receive free school milk?	Yes.
What can my child bring in from home?	<p>We would ask that as little as possible is sent to school. We will accept book bags/ruck-sacks, packed lunches, water bottles, a single snack for morning break, inhalers, auto-adrenaline injectors and sun cream, but all items must be named. Anything un-named will be thrown away if we cannot be sure of its owner to prevent contamination. There will be no lost property collection point for un-named items, other than retention in the classroom.</p> <p>Some learning will take place outdoors. Please ensure that you provide a sunhat and apply sun cream in the morning before your child comes to school or send them with a waterproof as appropriate.</p> <p>The school will provide books and writing equipment for each child in school and there is no need for children to bring in pencil cases.</p> <p>Please ensure up to date medication (such as asthma inhalers) are in school.</p> <p>We will be sending reading books and learning diaries home with the children as usual</p> <p>Children may bring in their own hand soap or hand sanitiser but this MUST be named.</p> <p>Whilst we know it is disappointing please do not send sweets etc. in to school to be distributed for birthdays. We also cannot distribute party invitations.</p>
What will the children be learning in school?	<p>We will continue to teach an exciting, ambitious and broad curriculum in all subjects. Details are on our website as usual.</p> <p>Our highly skilled teachers will quickly assess where any gaps in children's learning are and high-quality provision, for children of all abilities, will be put in place to close these gaps. There will be an emphasis on reading widely and developing knowledge and vocabulary.</p> <p>We will also focus on PSHE and mental health and well-being which will include rebuilding friendships and reintroducing school routines.</p>
Will outside providers teach children in school?	<p>Government guidelines state that teachers in primary schools can work across groups in order to enable a full educational offer. External providers for PE and music will be teaching in school. We have updated our COVID-19 risk assessment for this provision.</p> <p>Peripatetic music lessons will not take place in school at this time.</p>

<p>My child usually has SEND/intervention support. Will this be available?</p>	<p>Yes. Specialist professionals are able to visit school to support individual children and to fulfil Education, Health and Care Plans.</p> <p>Our SEND team will continue to be in contact with you regarding meeting your child's needs.</p>
<p>My child usually attends sensory circuits, will this still be available?</p>	<p>Sensory circuits will recommence in the near future.</p>
<p>What well-being and mental health support will be available for my child?</p>	<p>There may well be many children, and adults, who are nervous about returning to the school environment and this is completely understandable.</p> <p>Our experience so far is that children are particularly resilient, adapt quickly and have adapted well to changing circumstances and routines. However, we have not taken this for granted and have planned to provide support for children to adjust to the return to school.</p> <p>Our trained mental health and wellbeing first aiders will be on hand to support our pupils. All our staff will provide pastoral support for our children.</p> <p>We will continue to share information from Healthy Minds through ParentMail, Facebook and the school website.</p>
<p>What hygiene routines will be followed in school?</p>	<p>We will ensure we adhere to Government guidelines which include avoiding contact with anyone with symptoms, frequent hand cleaning and good hygiene practices, regular cleaning of settings and minimising contact and mixing. We will reinforce with the children on a daily basis the importance of regular effective hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue and disposing of it and not touching eyes/nose/mouth with unwashed hands. Posters will be displayed around school for pupils and adults.</p> <p>We would ask that you continue to reinforce these messages at home.</p> <p>Our cleaning team will be on-site to clean during the day and each evening in preparation for the next day with a particular focus on frequently touched surfaces and toilets.</p>
<p>What PPE will be available for/worn by staff and children?</p>	<p>STAFF In primary schools, the DfE recommend that face coverings should be worn by staff and adult visitors in situations where social distancing between adults is not possible (for example, when moving around in corridors and communal areas). Staff will use usual PPE for intimate care and first aid.</p> <p>CHILDREN DfE guidance states that Children in primary school do not need to wear a face covering. From 8th March, our year 6 pupils will be able to wear a facemask in school.</p>
<p>What procedures will be followed if a pupil or member of staff develops symptoms of COVID-19?</p>	<p>We have produced a thorough 'live' risk assessment which will be followed rigorously. If anyone becomes unwell with coronavirus symptoms they will be sent home immediately and advised to follow the COVID-19. guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection guidance. Any siblings who live in the same household will also be sent home.</p>

	<p>Anyone showing coronavirus symptoms will be isolated immediately in a designated room. If required, they will use the nominated COVID-19 toilet as directed by the DfE.</p> <p>If your child shows any symptoms please do not send them or any siblings to school and have your child tested. Additionally, if anyone in your household shows COVID 19 symptoms, the whole household should isolate until a negative test has been received.</p>
<p>What happens if your child has a positive test?</p>	<p>If your child has a positive test result then you should let the school office know immediately. If your child has a positive test result outside of office hours, you will need to ring Mrs Moore on the COVID phone, using the number (07591528082). Please remember that this number is only for use if a child attending school has a positive test result.</p>
<p>What happens with NHS Test and Trace?</p>	<p>Schools are required to engage with the NHS Test and Trace process and ensure Parents/Carers understand that they will need to be ready and willing to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book a test if they are displaying symptoms. Pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms and will be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school • Provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus or if asked by NHS Test and Trace • Self-isolate if they have been in close contact with someone who develops coronavirus symptoms or someone who tests positive for coronavirus <p>Please remember that all children can be tested, including children under 5 years old.</p> <p>We will ask you to inform us immediately of the results of any test.</p> <p>Additionally we have been asked by Public Health England and NHS Test and Trace for the support of our whole school community in ensuring they can identify those with coronavirus while avoiding a huge increase in demand for tests from people without coronavirus symptoms. You should therefore arrange for a test for your child if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He/she develops one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a high temperature ○ a new, continuous cough ○ the loss or change of their sense of taste or smell, or • You are recommended to get him/her tested by a healthcare provider (e.g. GP or nurse) <p>If a pupil develops one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms described above, only they should be tested. There is no need for their household to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic. Unless a pupil has one of the three main coronavirus symptoms, they should only be tested if instructed otherwise by the local authority, health protection team or their GP. As schools return pupils may feel unwell for example with a sore throat, stomach upset or a headache. In that case pupils don't need to book a test but may need to stay off school and seek medical advice through their GP or pharmacist as usual.</p>

What happens if my child needs to self-isolate/my child's bubble closes?	In the event of self-isolation children will be provided with Seesaw remote learning on the second day of absence as was the case in the autumn term
How do I report my child's absence?	<p>You should report your child's absence in the usual way by phoning school by 9.00 am and leaving a message. All unexplained absence will be followed up by our admin team as normal.</p> <p>We will follow the usual Children Missing Education (CME) procedures with the Local Authority including our vulnerable children.</p>
My child usually travels to school by taxi. How do I ensure that transport will be in place?	<p>Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) continue to ask that even if children are normally entitled to transport to school or college, that they do not use this or public transport unless they have no other option. Parents/Carers and pupils are encourage to walk or cycle to school if at all possible.</p> <p>We assume that LCC will provide transport as close to the normal start and end of the school day as possible.</p> <p>The Government has clarified that pupils on dedicated school transport do not mix with the general public and tend to travel with consistent groups of children. This means that advice to adopt social distancing for passengers on public transport, will not apply on dedicated school transport from the autumn term. It will not be possible to transport pupils exclusively within their school bubbles; there are not enough vehicles available to do this. Where possible, children should still socially distance and/or sit within their school bubbles on vehicles.</p> <p>We are still awaiting information from LCC regarding transport from 8th March.</p>
Will children go swimming?	<p>The swimming pool at Bourne Leisure Centre remains closed at the moment and it is unclear if and when we will have the opportunity to take the children swimming.</p> <p>We will keep you updated should the situation change.</p>
Will you be taking the children on educational visits outside of school?	<p>No educational visits have been planned. <i>New Government guidance states 'We advise against all educational visits at this time. This advice will be kept under review.'</i></p> <p>We will also review this later in the year.</p>
Will after school clubs be running?	<p>Clubs will not be running in term 4.</p> <p>We will keep you updated should the situation change.</p>

**The government's parent/carer guidance for returning to school can be found at
(please note, this is updated regularly)**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>