



Little Gaddesden C. of E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good summer break and managed to enjoy the lovely weather. We are very much looking forward to seeing your child back at school on Thursday 3rd September, and welcoming new members of our school community.

The Government have updated their guidance to schools to enable all pupils to return for the Autumn Term. Below I have detailed the impact of these for our school.

The school day:

To enable all pupils to benefit from a full day of learning, we will be using different entrances for each class. Pupils need to arrive for 8:50am and leave at 3:15pm.

Class 4 - arrive and depart via the side entrance directly to their cloakroom area.

Class 3 - arrive and depart via the front entrance of the school.

Class 2 - arrive and depart via the entrance from the main playground.

Class 1 - arrive and depart via Reception class outdoor area from the main playground.

Mrs Patterson and Mrs Miles will be making home visits during the first week and they will be happy to answer any specific queries you may have about your child starting school.

As previously, if pupils are accompanied onto the school grounds it should be by one family member only with social distancing being maintained.

Siblings: at the end of the school day pupils in classes 1 and 2 will remain with staff until their expected adult collects them.

Uniform:

Pupils will be expected to wear full school uniform, including school shoes. They will also need PE kit for sports lessons.

Hygiene:



Please remind your child of the importance of thorough hand washing and ensure they are to do so effectively. Hand sanitisers will be at all school entrances and in each room. Pupils and staff will use this as they enter and leave the school and classrooms, including at break and lunchtimes.

Current Government guidance is that primary school pupils do not need masks in school.

Illness and Covid-19 Symptoms:

Your child should not be sent to school if they are unwell. If your child or anyone in your household has symptoms of Covid-19, they must not be sent to school and you will need to follow government guidance regarding quarantine and self-isolation. Please notify the school via the school office if your child is unwell.

The links below give further information regarding Covid-19.

[NHS guidance](#)

[What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges in the autumn term](#)

Should Government advice to school change, I will be in touch to advise you of how it will impact pupils at Little Gaddesden School.

As always should you have any queries or wish to discuss this please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,



Lorna Elkes

Headteacher

