

Returning to School: Information for Year 1 Families



We are **so** excited to welcome you back to school!

The Year 1 team have been very busy preparing the classrooms for your return. You will notice some changes which we will outline in this letter. The area has been risk assessed by the leadership team and school governors. We have included some photographs of the changed classrooms for you to share with your family.

What do I need bring to school?

These are the only things we want you to bring into school.

- A packed lunch every day (please make sure it does not contain nuts e.g. peanut butter and cereal bars)
- A piece of fruit every day for snack time
- A reusable water bottle every day, labelled with your child's name
- A sun hat or rain coat (weather dependent)
- Sun cream, labelled with your child's name, that they can administer themselves.

All of these things will be put into your very own tray underneath your table. We won't be using the coat pegs in the corridor for now.

Adults, for safety, please ensure your child doesn't bring anything else from home, e.g. toys, cars, show and tell.

Timings

School will start at 9:15 for Year 1 children and finish at 3:15. We must adhere to these timings in order to prevent congestion in the playground. Please come to the Park Road entrance nearest the car-park (there will be a sign for Year 1). Parents will not be permitted to enter the building when dropping their children off or collecting them, so please come through and wait on the astroturf. We ask that only one parent comes at a time and please be mindful of the 2 metre distancing rule. We know that seeing each other for the first time will be very exciting, but we must continue to stay alert. This means that we won't be able to run up and give each other a hug as we need to limit any spread of germs. But we can still chat and laugh at a distance!

Morning Playtime: 10:45 – 11:00am

Lunchtime: 12:00 – 1:00pm

Afternoon Playtime: 2.30 – 2.45pm

Lunchtime

We will be eating our packed lunches inside our classrooms. We will then be able to go outside and play for rest of lunchtime. We will talk in class about which games will be best to play during this time.

Symptoms

We request that if your child has a temperature, cough, cold or an upset tummy, you do not send them to school.

Each class bubble will have its own 'nose blowing station' with a special pedal bin. If your child becomes unwell at school, you will be contacted and will need to pick them up straight away.

Class Bubbles

When you come back to school, you are going to be in a 'bubble' with two adults from the Year 1 team. We will need your help to decide on names for our new bubbles.

Bubble 1

Henry and Jo

Monday/Tuesday

Adam

Alessandra

Arthur F

Arthur H

Blye

Bobby

Charlie

Edie

Lucas

Sonny

Tomasz

Tom

Wilfred

Zoe

Bubble 2

Jenni and Christina

Monday/Tuesday

Betsy

Breck

Chloe T.B

Chloe R.H

Clay

Etta

Eva R.H

Freddie

Gabriel

Maxwell

Medeea

Oliwia

Reda

Saffron

Bubble 3

Brian and Ibadete

Thursday/Friday

Adam

Alex

Anish

Arran

Ellie

Harry

Jamal

Naomi

Oskar

Sam

Seb

Xavier

Our Classrooms

We have rearranged all the furniture and the tables and chairs. Your classroom will look quite different to how you remember it. We have arranged the tables so you can sit at a safe distance from each other, but also (and this is really important) so that you are close enough to chat, laugh and work with each other. You will have your very own brand new set of resources to use in school, so you won't need to share resources with others. Have a look at the photos of the classrooms on the next page. What changes can you notice?

Classroom Activities

We want our time together back in school to be as enjoyable as possible! We have planned lots of exciting activities that we are sure you'll really enjoy. These include discussing our lockdown experiences, reading lovely stories, creating some art pieces, maths games, and lots more!

Keeping Safe

Throughout the day, we will ensure that we are keeping ourselves and others safe. We will regularly wash our hands and practise good hygiene, and we will talk in class about keeping a safe distance from our bubble friends.

Swiss Cottage new classroom layout:



Manor House new classroom layout:



Chalk Farm new classroom layout:



Corridor floor markings to help with social distancing:



We are really looking forward to seeing you all very soon!

From the Year 1 team