

BREDENBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parent/Carer

There are a number of things I would like to let you know about your child's return to school on the 8th March.

We are really looking forward to the return of all children that have not been in school. I need to take this opportunity to thank you all for working so hard at home and supporting your children with their learning. You have done a fantastic job and we, the staff at Bredenbury, are proud to have such amazing parents.

At the moment I am working very hard with all staff at the school to ensure the school is as safe as possible for the return of all children and adults. Can you please encourage your child not to bring anything to school other than what is required.

Inside school, there have been very few changes and all procedures that were already in place remain (Risk Assessment available to view on the school website) except we will have 1 bubble not 2 so that KS1 have more opportunity to mix (socially distanced) which will benefit their wellbeing. There will still be a one-way system around the school with entry through the hall. Children will be taught in their 3 classes and only mix during breaktime. Your child will continue to have their own work area, resources and laptop which will be wiped at regular intervals during the day to ensure we keep them as safe as possible. Cleaning of hands and surfaces will continue to be a priority and happen at least 6 times a day. Hand sanitizer will continue to be used when appropriate to save time for those we have had permission for.

Morning drop-off and afternoon collection

Children can be dropped off at school from 8:35am where they will be supervised on the school playground. They should arrive at school no later than 8:55am. Collection times are the same: KS1 (and siblings) 3pm, LKS2 Y3 and 4 (and siblings) 3:10pm and UKS2 Y5 and 6 at 3:20pm.

Daily requirements

On a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the children will need to come to school in uniform but extra clothing (hoodie) that is not part of the uniform can be sent in to keep them warm as all windows and doors will remain open for ventilation.

On a Thursday the children can come to school in their school sports kit as it is PE. Please ensure they wear joggers not shorts while it is still cold.



On a Friday the children will need to come to school in their forest school clothes. Wellies are needed and where possible remain in school in a named bag.

Lunches

Children will need to bring their own school lunch unless they have ordered a lunch with Black Pepper. Since September we have been monitoring the snacks children have had at breaktime. Moving forward we really would appreciate the children only having a fruit or veg snack at breaktime where possible.

Clubs

At the moment we are discussing the clubs we would like to offer the children. The teachers are going to provide academic clubs to provide support for educational catch-up.

Mrs Porter - Maths support – Thursday (after school)

Ms Robinson – English support – Grammar - Thursday (after school)

Mrs McAtear – Maths – extension – Thursday (after school)

Other clubs we hope to offer are gardening, pet club, art/crafts, fitness and badminton.

Letters will be sent out to book a place for these clubs shortly. For those children not able to stay behind after school an alternative provision will be available. This will be explained in the letter.

Homework

All children are expected to read on a regular basis. KS1 every day and KS2 at least 3 times a week for 10-15 minutes. They also need to complete spelling work on the spelling shed and times tables on TT rockstars on a weekly basis. We will also give a project challenge to complete when appropriate. Last term we had some super castles built (KS1) and rainforest representations (KS2).

Trips

At the moment only local trips can take place which is something we will consider for the future if we feel the children would benefit. We are in conversation with the Pioneer Centre to discuss whether the Y6 trip is able to go ahead and will let you know as soon as we have information.

Previously a Y5/6 trip we now feel it is better for just Y6 to go to celebrate their time at school.

Breakfast Club

We run a daily breakfast club from 8am which is free of charge. Please contact the office via email if you would like a place. You will need to confirm day and drop off time.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Regards



Mrs. Samantha McAtear
Head of School