

Dilton Marsh Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Return to school - Monday 8th March

I appreciate that some of you may have mixed feelings about a full return to school on 8th March. Many of you will be excited at the thought of getting back to a more normal routine, whilst others will still be nervous about any possible risks. I hope that the information below may put some of those fears to rest.

From next Monday, the Key Worker children currently in school will be split so that they are only mixing with their own class; currently they are in mixed bubbles. This will ensure that if there are any positive cases we can minimise the disruption for the remainder of the children. All teachers will be in school as normal next week so please phone school if you have any worries. Morning live lessons will continue for those learning at home but there will be no afternoon TEAMS sessions next week.

When the remainder of the children return we will continue with the bubble system which was in place in Terms 1 and 2. This means that different classes will not mix. Please continue to minimise the equipment the children bring into school. You will be informed about PE days later on next week. Hand washing and sanitising will remain a priority along with ventilation of our teaching spaces.

Attendance from 8th March 2021 will be compulsory for all children. There will be no provision for home learning. Should you have any queries or concerns then please do email me directly – head@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk – or phone me before the end of next week.

To ensure the safety of both children and adults all staff in school are required to test twice weekly using a Lateral Flow Device. If these show a positive result staff would have to book in for a more reliable PCR test at a test centre. Adults in school are always expected to follow social distancing rules and wear face masks in all communal areas, including outside on the playground.

When the children return to school we will resume the staggered entry. Please note the new times overleaf. The requirement is also that ALL ADULTS wear face masks on the school premises, this includes parents and carers whilst dropping off or picking up your children. Please ensure that you maintain the 2m distance in the queue on the carpark. If you have any difficulties with this please phone to discuss possible solutions.

	Morning Drop off	Afternoon pick up
Reception/Lime Class	8.40am, through the side gate	2.45pm, from the side gate
KS1, Cherry and Ash Classes	8.40am, Cherry to go through the main playground gate and Ash through the side gate	2.45pm, from the main playground
KS2, Willow, Chestnut, Beech and Oak	8.30am, through the main playground gate	3pm, from the main playground gate.
Key worker and younger siblings of KS2 children	8.30am, through their class entrances (see above).	At the same time as the remainder of their class unless by prior arrangement. Older siblings of KS1 children can be picked up at 2.45pm

We will provide more details next week.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jill Hibbs Headteacher

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