

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL



RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR ALL PUPILS SPRING TERM 2021 8TH MARCH 2021

RISK ASSESSMENT FOR ALL PUPILS

Following guidance from the DfE and the recent announcement from the Prime Minister (Monday 22nd February 2021). Ashurst CE Primary School looks forward to welcoming ALL pupils back to school on Monday 8th March 2021, following the partial closures due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The wellbeing and safety of children and staff continues to be our utmost priority, together with providing an enjoyable and creative learning environment for all.

Ashurst Primary School continues to follow Government guidance - Schools Coronavirus (COVID-19) Operational Guidance; along with adhering to the latest guidelines and legislation concerning the prevention and management of sickness within the school setting, including throughout the ongoing Covid-19 situation.

Although current guidance from the DfE and PHE is that Primary School pupils will not be required to take part in the National Covid-19 Lateral Flow Testing programme being offered to secondary schools, the scheme has been rolled out and promoted for staff use, as advised.

RISK FACTORS:

Risk Factors for Ashurst CE Aided Primary School continue to include social distancing where possible, hygiene, hazard of infection, control measures, wellbeing & welfare of pupils & staff - including mental health & wellbeing. This list is not exclusive and will be updated and amended in response to changing circumstances.

MEASURES IN PLACE:

- 1. Phased drop off times
- 2. SLT/s to be on duty at access points drop off and collection times
- 3. Parents not to enter school site, pupils' access only through entrance gate
- 4. No toys/bags to be brought in to school by pupils unless essential e.g Book bags/PE kit/packed lunch/water bottle
- 5. Hand wash on entry to school site handwash station at Junior entrance gateway.
- 6. Hand wash stations in each group location, plus entrance doorways to school & office
- 7. Tissues available in each group location
- 8. Bins with lids in each group's location for disposal of tissues
- 9. DfE Signage throughout the school to remind all stakeholders of good hygiene methods e.g. handwashing & tissue use
- 10. Internal doors to remain open where possible to reduce handle touch cross contamination
- 11. Pupils to remain in class groups where possible (Maximum 21)
- 12. Excess furniture removed to allow additional space where possible.
- 13. Pupils to bring in their own water bottle in each day
- 14. Groups to have own sets of classroom equipment e.g. scissors/glue etc
- 15. Behaviour rules & code of conduct focus lessons/discussions on entrance & reminders as appropriate
- 16. Staff/pupils social distancing where possible, this may not be possible with younger pupils on some occasions, but where possible will be adhered to
- 17. Staff member assigned to group of pupils will remain with those pupils for designated sessions and where breaks include additional staff members supervising the class/group teacher will be responsible for cleaning desk surfaces/touch surfaces frequently throughout the day and at the end of each day.
- 18. Staff members to be offered Lateral Flow Testing opportunities as appropriate.

TOILET AREAS:

- 19. Handwash soap and warm water available at all times
- 20.DfE & schools own signage reminders for good handwashing hygiene & tissue use

21. Surfaces, door handles and touch points to be cleaned frequently, including at play and lunchtimes.

PLAYTIMES/LUNCHTIMES:

- 22. Allocated playtimes for groups/classes
- 23. Handwash before and after play & frequently throughout the day as appropriate to activities
- 24. Hard surfaces & equipment where appropriate to be cleaned whilst pupils at play/lunchtime by groups staff member
- 25. Hot Schools Meals social distancing systems in place e.g. tables distance gaps/spacing queuing system small groups where possible
- 26. Packed lunches social distance spacing and outside where possible.
- 27. No food or drink cups/bottle sharing

CORRIDOR AREAS:

- 28. Limited corridor access and social distancing code of conduct rules will apply wherever possible
- 29. Pupil access to other classrooms only where essential.
- 30. Pupil access to office areas limited to when 'essential' only e.g. If pupil is unwell when control measures will be actioned as appropriate to 'illness' or injury.
- 31. Surfaces and door handles to be cleaned frequently and focussed cleaning where appropriate, including at the start and end of each day.

In addition to the identified points above there continues to be a specific focus on the wellbeing of all pupils, including their mental health; and regular and continued communication with those families not able to attend the school setting in line with current practise and procedures. This includes the implementation of Remote Learning where applicable e.g close contact with Covid-19 cases, self-isolating family groups.

There is continued provision for staff welfare and wellbeing from a range of outside agencies (contact details Staff Room) for individual and focussed support, together with regular meetings and opportunities to discuss changes and any concerns.

Guidelines for visitors and contractors are clearly displayed, and conveyed to them, prior to admittance to the school building by a member of the Senior

Leadership Team. Where possible visitors and contractors will attend outside of pupil school hours for the foreseeable future.

The school continues to have available a quantity of soap, hand gel, paper handtowels and anti-bacterial cleaning materials for additional cleaning routines and heightened levels of cleaning that will continue, again for the foreseeable future.

This document will be updated and changed in response to a change of circumstances and/or as directed by PHE/DfE & West Sussex Local Authority quidelines.

Date: Tuesday 2nd March 2021

Signed:

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