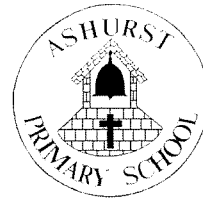


ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL

RETURN TO SCHOOL

FROM 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020



RISK ASSESSMENT FOR ALL PUPILS RETURN

17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2020

**Government Guidance for schools states:**

"It is our plan that all pupils, in all year groups, will return to school full time from the beginning of the Autumn Term"

"Returning to school is vital for children's education and for their wellbeing.

**this together with previous guidance**

"The Safety of children and staff is our utmost priority".

"The advice seeks to support staff working in schools, colleges and childcare settings, to deliver this approach in the safest way possible, focussing on measures they can put in place to help limit the risk of the virus spreading within educational and childcare settings".

"In education, childcare and social care settings, preventing the spread of coronavirus involves dealing with direct transmission (via touching contaminated surfaces). A range of approaches and actions should be employed to do this".

**Government guidance for Parents concerning re-opening of schools states:**

"We have provided guidance and support to schools, colleges and childcare settings on implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings to help them *reduce the risk of transmission as more children and young people return*".

"Whilst such changes are likely to look different in each setting, as they will depend upon individual circumstances, they are all designed to minimise risks to children, staff and their families.

"Schools and colleges continue to be best placed to make decisions about how to support and educate their pupils during this period. This will include: Consideration of the pupils' mental health and well-being".

Ashurst CE Aided Primary School continues to follow Government guidance - Coronavirus (COVID-19); implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings; published 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020, has identified the following risk

factors and in consultation with the LA, Governing Body, staff and relevant stakeholders has established the following principle control measures for the school's setting. These will continue to be reviewed frequently and in line with DfE, Public Health England & West Sussex Local Authority guidelines and updated information.

This document should be read in conjunction with Ashurst CE Aided Primary School's 'Preventing & Managing Sickness including Covid-19 Coronavirus in the school setting' which defines the four staged response plans for sickness in the school setting, including throughout the current Covid-19 situation.

### 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 equipment/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.

#### **TOILET AREAS:**

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

#### **PLAYTIMES/LUNCHTIMES:**

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

#### **CORRIDOR AREAS:**

26. Limited corridor access and social distancing code of conduct rules will apply wherever possible
27. Pupil access to other classrooms only where essential.
28. 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.
29. 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 will be a specific focus on the wellbeing of all pupils on their return, 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.

There is 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 ongoing changes and any concerns.

Guidelines for visitors and contractors will be clearly displayed, and conveyed to them, prior to admittance to the school building by a member of the SLT.

The school has available a quantity of soap, hand gel, paper handtowels and anti-bacterial cleaning materials for the additional cleaning routines and heightened level of cleaning as scheduled.

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 guidelines.

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020 Update

Signed:

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