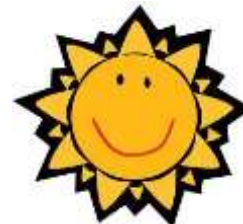


# Cantrell Primary School

## Newsletter 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020



We hope you are well and still staying safe!

Yesterday the government released extensive information to schools on their requirements for September.

It is exciting to be able to bring our community back together but there are also challenges ahead. The leadership team and I will have much to do in a short time to make the alterations needed. Further guidance for families should be ready by the end of the school year in time for our September return and will follow extensive risk assessments and logistical planning - please be patient while we undertake this work.

### **Key points about the reopening of schools**

Here is a summary of the main points from the government guidance:

- All pupils are expected to attend from September, including those currently shielding. This is mandatory.
- The opportunities for social distancing in school will be limited but should be taken when feasible.
- The school's population will be separated into bubbles, with minimal mixing with other groups in school.
- A broad and balanced curriculum will be offered to all pupils, although there are restrictions resulting from the reorganisation of the school and for practical activities in some subjects.
- Hand hygiene routines will be in place and must be adhered to by pupils.
- Enhanced cleaning (as is already in place) will be implemented focusing in shared areas and touch points.
- School uniform should be worn from September.
- Face coverings are not recommended on school sites but should be worn by pupils on public or school transport. All pupils are encouraged to walk or cycle to school where possible and to minimise use of public transport.
- Where possible schools should consider staggering the school day to keep populations apart.
- Equipment brought to and from school should be kept to a minimum and care must be taken when using any shared equipment in schools (appropriate cleaning or quarantining of items).
- Pupils must stay at home and following self-isolation rules if they are showing Covid-19 symptoms. They should also be tested and the school must be informed of the outcome.
- All members of school communities are expected to engage with the government's test and trace system.
- Individual schools or bubbles within schools may be closed if confirmed Covid-19 cases occur.

Some of the biggest challenges lie in staggered timings, lunchtime accommodation and staffing year bubbles.

### **Reports**

Your child's school report will be sent out in the last week of term, those children attending school will be given theirs to take home. This will also include a letter from your child's new teacher.

### **Zoom meetings**

We are hoping to have you join us in zoom meetings before the end of term, please ensure we have an up to date email address for the primary parent, in school. If you are unsure or have not provided us with an email address please send it to [admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk) with your child's name and class.

If you can download zoom to a device, it is free, then we may be able to contact you and your child and have a virtual meeting! Please bear with us as this is all new technology and we are novices too!

### **Website**

Please keep visiting the website for messages, videos and pictures in the last few weeks of term. New work packs are available from Monday 6th July.