



What will school be like in
September 2020?

Following guidance from the Government and the Department of Education, Our Lady's will reopen in September for all pupils. (And we can't wait to see them all!)

We are well aware that all children will have had different experiences during the lockdown - do not let what anyone else has been doing worry you - we will deal with every child individually and their day will be adjusted accordingly.

We also don't want parents to worry. We have developed risk assessments for each and every area around the school. We are doing our very best to stay on top of all of the latest guidance and we will look after your child(ren) to the very best of our ability.



But we need your help...

Life dropping off at school is going to be a little bit different so we are asking for you to stick to these rules, be on time and remember to be socially distant. Above all else, please be patient.





Your child SHOULD NOT
attend school if...

**They show symptoms of
COVID-19**

If they are showing symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain in their home and parents should contact NHS to arrange a test.

**They have been
instructed to isolate**

Children will be instructed to isolate if they are waiting for the results of a test, or the test has come back positive.

**Someone within the home
is showing symptoms of
COVID-19 or has tested
positively**

If someone living with the child has symptoms or has tested positively from a test, the child must self-isolate with everyone else in the home.





Classroom "Bubbles"

A classroom bubble means that one class will not mix with another in school.

This is to minimise risk for both staff and pupils.

Each 'bubble' (or class) will have their own drop off, pick up, break and lunch times.

We know this is going to be awkward for some parents, but please be patient - these are guidelines that have been set by the Government that we have to follow - for everyone's safety.

Parents are only allowed on-site if they have a prior appointment.

Children will have play time at break and lunch together as a class. We really want them to have some fun!

Hygiene



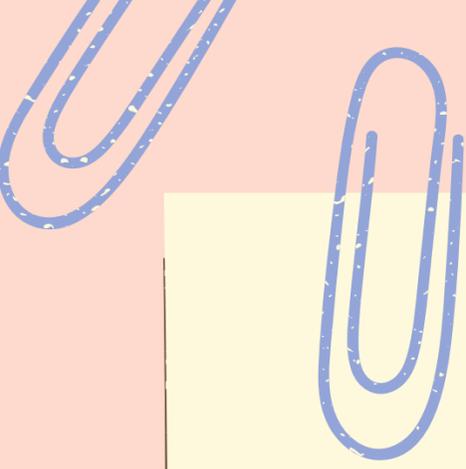
Use of tissues



Frequent handwashing



Cleaning of Resources and tables



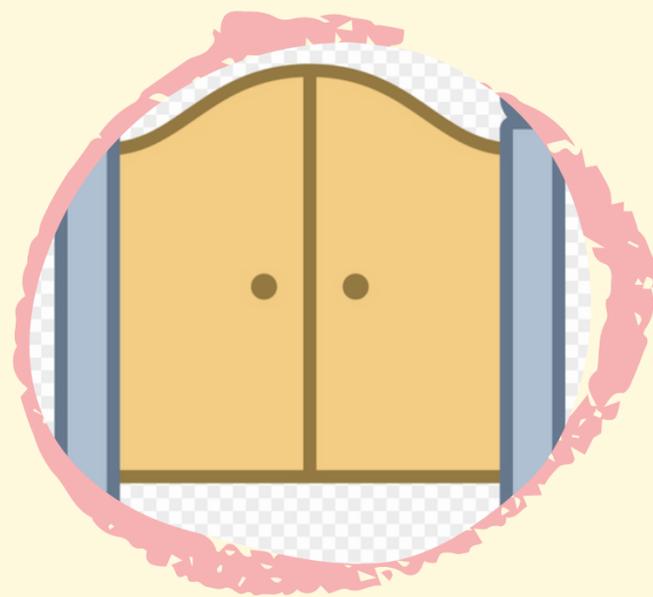
What if a pupil shows signs/symptoms in school?

-  The school will call a parent immediately. Parents **MUST** ensure that they are always available to take a call from school. School have a designated area for a child to be isolated until a parent collects them. The member of staff with the child will wear PPE.
 -  The Parent will be asked to ensure the child has a test.
 -  If a test returns positive, then school will follow the current guidance set by Public Health England.
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Drop Off



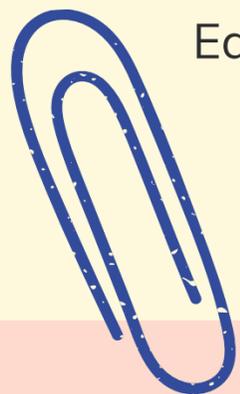
Each class will have a 10 minute window for drop off



Only 1 class/bubble will use a gate at a time



Pupils will use the hand sanitiser at the gate and go into their classroom through the outside class door. Masks are not necessary in school and all pupils will be asked to remove them.

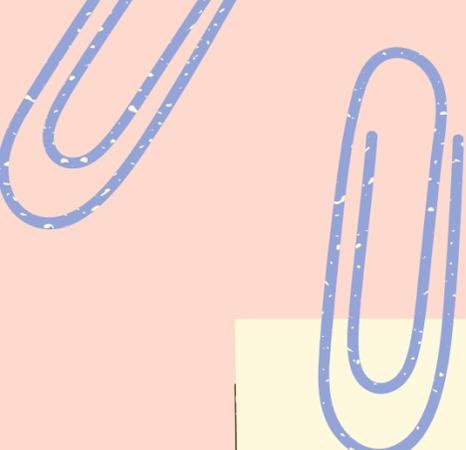




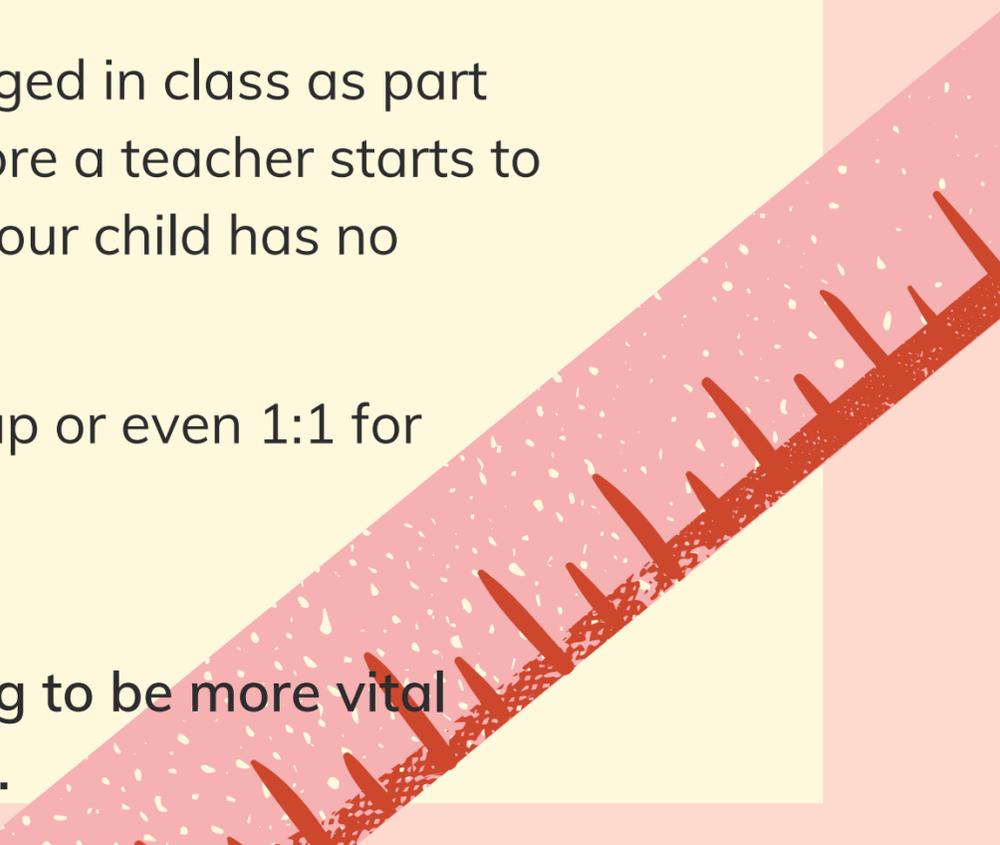
Classroom

Classrooms have been rearranged following guidance.

- teachers will remain at the front for safety, wherever possible.
 - tables will face forward, following guidance
 - pupils will have labelled resources, such as pencils, pens, rulers..., to avoid sharing
 - teachers will mark books
 - please do not bring anything 'extra' into school - packed lunches, coats, hats and gloves, PE kits, school bags are all good. (No extra stationary or bits 'n' bobs please)
 - reading books will be available within the bubble and can be used as normal. They will be stored for a minimum of 72 hours before being used in another hub.
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Recovery Curriculum +

-  Baseline - in the first 2 weeks, pupils will have end of year test for the previous year. This will ensure that teachers have a clear understanding of where your child has any missed learning. The results will be used to inform additional learning opportunities for the forthcoming year.
 -  In class - we believe that the majority of 'gaps' can be plugged in class as part of the 'normal' everyday teaching. Throughout 2020/1, before a teacher starts to teach their current curriculum, they will double check that your child has no missed learning from the previous year.
 -  Interventions - in some cases your child may be in a small group or even 1:1 for some tailor-made tutoring or intervention.
 -  Attendance - excellent attendance and punctuality is going to be more vital than ever before. Please ensure that your child is in school.
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Mental Health

This is a really important that we all have to work together on - and we have to get this right.

Although catching up on English, Maths and other subjects is really important, we are more concerned, right now, about how everyone is feeling.

We need to get this right.

We will also be creating a 'baseline' on how all of our children are feeling when they return to school. If we feel that there is something that is not quite right, we will put measures in place to help them, and we will give you a call to make sure you know too. In October, we will be launching our new Nurture Hub where children will have access to 'check in' with themselves emotionally and socially. During lockdown, we have created a team of Mental Health Champions in school who are here to help.



Lunchtime/ Breaktime

Dining Room

At the moment, we are intending to use the dining room for 2 classes at a time, socially distanced from each other. All tables will be cleaned in between use. If this is not practical, classes will eat in their classrooms. Reception/Nursery will eat in the Foundation Stage.

Food

Pupils can continue to choose between a hot or cold meal or bring a packed lunch from home.



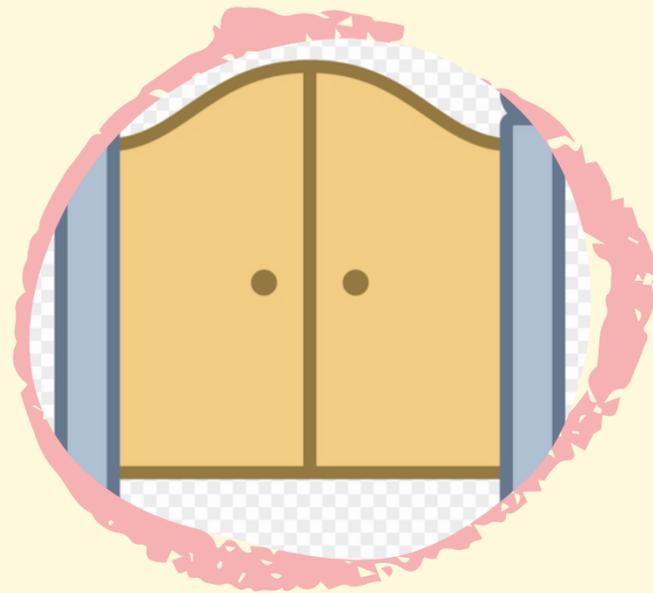
Outside Break

All pupils will have a minimum of 30 minutes play time outside, weather permitting, as well as some time in class playing with their class games and toys.

Pick Up



Each class will have a 10 minute window for pick up



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Start Dates

**WEDNESDAY
2ND
SEPTEMBER
8:40AM
- 2:45 PM**

Year 2 & 6

**THURSDAY
3RD
SEPTEMBER
8:50AM
- 2:55PM**

Year 1 & 5

**FRIDAY 4TH
SEPTEMBER
9:10AM
- 3:15 PM**

Year 3 & 4

Breakfast Club and After School Clubs are suspended following guidance, until after October half term.
Nursery/Reception will be contacted by Mrs Lindsay & Miss Simpson regarding individual start dates



Thank You!
If you have any questions
please call the School
Office or email us!

