



## Information for Parents and Carers Ash Grove Primary Academy



### School Organisation

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#### **Class and phase bubbles:**

In order to minimise the contacts your children have in the school day we are required to continue to organise children into bubbles that stay together all the time. Each class will be a bubble with their teacher and support staff member. They will share the same start and finish times, the same playtimes and assembly times and the same lunch times. They will have their own designated area of the playground to play on, and their own play equipment.

In their classroom, each child will have a designated seat. This will be part of a seating plan. It will help staff to plan teaching and will also help us to identify close contacts in the event of an infection in a bubble. The seating plan will be shared with your child on the first day back.

When moving about school to go to play for example, pupils will be taught how to walk in their line in order. Pupils nearest the class door leaving first and pupils at the rear of the class entering first. This will minimise pupils passing each other unnecessarily. The children will practise this routine again on the first day back.

Each phase (Y1 and 2, Y3 and 4, Y5 and 6) will share the same set of toilets. So, there will be a set for Y3 and 4 for example that no other pupils will use. The toilets will be cleaned more frequently than normal, and pupils will be expected to thoroughly wash their hands and sanitise when using the toilet. The children will be reminded of this on the first day back.

#### **The curriculum:**

Learning will take place as normal on their return. Children will have all lessons as normal, with the exception of music (singing and the sharing of instruments is not advised at this time). In order to assess any gaps in learning that have happened over the lockdown period, we will be completing assessments across all subjects. We will then be planning a catch-up programme for all pupils who require additional support. We have been able to secure 3 additional staff

members to support our children with this programme. Catch up may include being invited to attend additional sessions outside of the school day where the need is identified.

**Remote learning:**

We know that there will likely be further times when pupils may have to isolate due to a suspected or positive case in their household. When this happens, parents and carers will be able to access the pupils learning through the Remote Learning section of the school website. Each class will continue to have a weekly planner under this section. The planner will explain the learning for that week, with examples. It will also have all the links needed to online versions of these being taught. Children will continue to access learning through Oak Academy, Ed Shed and TTRockstars. They will also continue to submit their work through Dojo. A member of staff will contact you to check that you have found the correct planner, and have been able to access the resources needed. They will also check whether you require a school Laptop to complete the learning.

At any point moving forward where there needs to be a bubble closure in school, that bubble will immediately switch to the remote learning offer that you are all now familiar with. This includes the live Teams registration, the recorded English and Maths lessons with their class teacher and the Teams live learning clinic and story session each day. Again, this will be supplemented by Oak Academy, EdShed and TTRockstars.