



5th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We warmly welcome you back to school and I thought I would take a quick moment to remind you of the school's continued approach to keeping your children and our community safe.

As I wrote to you in January, staff are now wearing visors when working with children, and are wearing masks in communal areas. We will continue with our bubble system, timetabled handwashing, and staggered breaks.

Pick up and drop off times are of course a time where we do have a higher number of parents waiting. Please wear a mask and ensure that you are **socially distant at all times**. Please understand that some cannot wear masks and have good reason not to. Start and finish times remain as below:

Year Group	Start	Finish
Class 4: Year 5/6	8.45am	3.30pm
Class 3: Year 3/4	8.45am	3.30pm
Class 2: Year 1/2	8.55am	3.20pm
Class 1: Pre School/Reception	9:15am	3.15pm

Breakfast club will resume on Monday, from 8.00am. Children will be sat at separate tables for each bubble.

The kitchen will be fully open again from Monday. A copy of the menu is attached with this letter.

After school clubs will start after the Easter holidays. We will send out more information on these at a later date.

Instrumental lessons will resume next week.





We will of course be carrying on with our PE sessions, and hope to use the field as much as possible with the improving weather. Please remember children will need their PE Kits on the following days:

- Reception – Tuesdays
- Class Two – Wednesdays
- Class Three – Fridays
- Class Four – Thursdays

We will continue to hold class collective worships. We hope that we will be able to have parents back in for celebration collective worships at some point in the summer term, but will need to wait until government guidance allows this.

Please remember that children must not come to school if they or a member of their household develops one of the following symptoms, have received a positive Covid-19 test result or have been identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive. Please contact the school on 01769 560324 if this is the case for your child.

Covid-19 Symptoms

- HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means they feel hot to touch on chest or back
- A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs
- A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE – this means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything.

Please contact me on head@high-bickington-primary.devon.sch.uk if you have any concerns and please take care of yourselves. We are looking forward to seeing all the children again on Monday, and hope to make their world a little more normal at this time.

Rob Norton
Head of School