



Dear children,

It has been a long time since we have seen many of your smiling faces; all of the staff at Lydford Primary have missed you greatly.

We have now been told by the Government that we can start welcoming some children back to school. This isn't everyone yet, but we hope to see you all soon.

We need to make sure that everyone is kept safe, especially from the Coronavirus, when you are at school so we have had to make some changes to the way school runs and how the classrooms look.

Getting ready for school

You can wear your PE kit and trainers to school (to save changing)

Shorts or leggings are fine

A polo shirt or PE t-shirt

A school jumper or cardigan

You must bring a packed lunch as the school kitchen isn't opening yet

You must bring a drinks bottle – ask your carer to label this for you

Make sure you have a coat/sun hat and sun cream applied before you come to school

Seeing your friends

We know it is going to be really exciting to see your friends again. However, we must keep everyone safe so please don't get too close, even to your brother or sister – keep a safe distance apart and use your words to show how happy you are to see them. Staff would love to give each other big hugs too but we can't!

Arriving at school

- When you get to school you need to say goodbye to your adults *in the playground or at the gate*.
- When asked to do so, go straight into your classroom where you will wash your hands and see your teacher who will have set up a morning activity.

Your classroom

Your classroom looks very different to how you remember. We have had to take some things out to make sure we can clean the rooms and resources easily. You will be given a work station which has tape marking out a line on the floor around it. This is your space and no one else should come into it. You shouldn't go into anyone else's. You will have a special pack of equipment which is just for you to use in your own tray. The staff room and offices have also been cleared.

Don't go in any other parts of the school, so we can all keep safe. Your parents have been sent maps of the school, if you want to see how the rooms will be laid out.

Please look at the guides below to see how to get into your classrooms.



School staff

The adult who is teaching your group might not be your normal class teacher. Don't worry though, all the teachers have spoken about what needs to be taught and how you like to learn. We all communicate all the time!

Break time and lunchtime

Break time will be with children in your group; none of the other groups will be out. You will be shown where you can play and what equipment you can use. We can't use the adventure play at the moment because we can't easily clean it.

You will be allowed to play with the other children in your group as long as you stay at least 2m away from each other, so don't play catching games or games that involve contact.

You will eat your lunch outside or in your classroom, at your work station. Lunch time play will be the same as morning break with just your own group out.

Washing hands, hygiene and first aid

You will be asked to wash your hands regularly when at school and to be really hygienic. Make sure you cough or sneeze into a tissue and put it in the bin immediately. There will be posters around school to remind you!

Adults in the school will not normally wear face masks, but they might have to if they need to do first aid or help you if you are upset.

At the end of the day

At the end of the day, your class teacher will hand you over to your parents in the playground/ at the gate. Your parents can't come into the school. There will not be any breakfast club or afterschool clubs at the moment (**school day will be 8.50am – 3pm**).

We know that it is strange to have all these changes at our school, but they are designed to keep everyone safe and we hope we won't have to do them for long. All of the staff are working hard to make sure school is fun and enjoyable for you when you return.

If you have any questions you can ask them through messaging on Class Dojo or ask your parents to send us an email.

See you soon,

Mrs Petersen and the staff of Lydford ☺

