

Bishopton Primary School Return to School



Frequently asked questions:

Who can return from September 2020?	All children ~ provided there is not a local lockdown in place.
Will children be expected to remain 1-2m apart from each other?	We are aiming to keep children 1-2m apart from each other in classrooms and public areas of school. Children will remain within their own group 'bubbles' whilst they are in school.
Will children be in groups with their current class teachers?	Yes.
How will drop-off and pick-up be managed?	Drop-off and pick-up will be staggered. KS2 entry: 08.45-08.55; KS1 entry 08.55-09.05; KS1 exit 15.00-15.10; KS2 exit 15.10-15.20. Lines on the way into school have been painted to indicate 2m gaps from the children in front.
Will parents be prosecuted if their children do not attend?	Yes. Government have been very clear about this.
What should my child bring to school with them?	Nothing – apart from their lunch (unless they are entitled to a free school meal or universal free meals in reception to Year 2) and glasses if required. We will NOT be providing hot meals but sandwiches will be available if desired. Lunches may be brought in lunch boxes which MUST go home every day and be washed in readiness for the next day. Drinks bottles will be required as usual.
Where will children eat lunches?	In their classrooms or outside if the weather permits.
Will parents be allowed access into school?	No. This will present a clear cross-contamination risk. The main office door will be locked and parents must only seek access to the office in an absolute emergency. We would, however, encourage telephone or email communication.
How will children move around school?	Very carefully and on a one-way system. We will not have daily assemblies in the hall. Movement around school will be strictly limited.
Will Friday celebration assemblies take place?	Sadly not. This presents a cross-contamination risk.
How many adults may accompany children at drop-off and pick-up?	One adult ONLY. Parents are reminded NOT to congregate on the playground before and after school
Will BASH be available?	Yes – from Monday 7 th September.
What will break times look like?	Children will take breaks in their own groups or 'bubbles'. This means that children in the same year group will not necessarily be at a break at the same time as other children from a different group or 'bubble'.
Will children be expected to hand-wash regularly?	Yes. Upon entry to school, before and after break and lunchtimes and after they have coughed or sneezed.

How will cleaning be changed from 1 st September?	There will be increased cleaning of door handles, light switches, tables, chairs and anything children touch during the day.
Will children need to bring in book bags on a daily basis?	No.
How about PE bags?	No. Children do not initially need to bring in PE bags.
How will 'bubbles' of children be organised	Children will be placed with other children from their class. The school will be broken into three bubble zones – Reception & infants; lower juniors (Y3&4) and upper juniors (Y5&6).
Will staff be using PPE?	No. However, staff will have access to PPE should they require it. Staff may wear gloves during the day and aprons if required.
What will classrooms look like?	Any unnecessary resources, soft-furnishings and hard to clean or sterilised toys will be removed. Children will be provided with a pencil or pen. They are not permitted to bring any resources from home, eg, no pencil cases.
How is the plan which the school has developed going to benefit parents who need to return to work?	We are aware that this gradual reintegration to school life may be difficult to work around for working parents. However, we have to put the safety and wellbeing of our pupils first and feel that the plan we have in place allows us the best chance of achieving this.
Will my child be expected to wear a facemask and will the staff be using PPE?	No. We will have some PPE in school in case a pupil or member of staff becomes ill or if it is required for first aid purposes, but it will not be used on a general basis.