

C.A.S. Key information for start of school Jan '21



Due to an increasing R rate is vital that all members of our school community adhere very closely to the expectations set out in this information. This is non-negotiable in order to try to keep the school open and to maintain safety of our pupils, families and staff. Thank You for your support.

- **URGENT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS** - School must have 3 up to date contact numbers and at least one up to date email address to enable school to contact you if necessary. A form will be sent home for you to complete and return asap. This is vital during Covid.
- Parents and carers are politely asked to sign a home-school agreement, with regard to pupil behaviour, to ensure “bubbles” can be managed safely for the good of everyone. This form will be sent home for you to complete and return asap if you have not received one. Please let the school office staff know.
- Pupils must wear **school uniform** including **sensible stout footwear**, appropriate for outdoor use in all weather. Pupils must also bring a **waterproof coat with a hood** so that they can work and play comfortably outdoors. Going outside will be a daily requirement, to allow for cleaning of all rooms throughout the day.
- Current advice is that pupils do not need to wear face masks in school. This is being kept under review as the situation develops.
- Pupils must wash their hands very frequently during the school day, whenever directed by staff. This is non-negotiable, for pupils’ own health and that of others.
- Pupils with long hair must tie it back. No jewellery (except small stud earrings) or nail varnish is allowed.
- Pupils must attend school with the **minimum of items** from home, e.g.. a coat and, if they have packed lunch, a small, easily cleaned lunch box (with their name on it). Where possible, bags should not be brought into school.
- Phones and other similar items can still be brought to school (at owners own risk). They must be **handed to “bubble” staff** to lock away securely during the day.
- Personal items (especially cuddly toys and items on lanyards) may not be brought in. Fidget items which will be fully sanitised daily, are available for use within each “bubble”.
- Pupils must not bring drinks bottles or cartons into school (except packed lunch drinks which must fit inside the lunch box). All classrooms and the dining hall have fresh drinking water on tap. Disposable paper cups are provided.

- All pupils will have a named pencil case and resources for use in their “bubble”. These must not be shared or taken home. PCs, laptops and iPads will be cleaned before and after use.
- All pupils have been given a named seat in their “bubble” class, to restrict possible infection.
- Pupils who have packed lunch have a designated area of the dining hall. Drinks for lunchtime must fit inside the lunch box. **No food or drink items may be shared.**
- All pupils must stay in their allocated seat in the hall at lunchtime and follow staff guidance. All pupils must eat in the dining hall to allow cleaning of classrooms.

All areas of school are monitored throughout the day by an enhanced cleaning team. “Bubble” groups must leave their rooms while cleaning takes place. This is non-negotiable.

School transport have been informed of the “bubble” arrangements and have been asked to manage buses accordingly.

For at least the first few weeks, all lessons will be managed and delivered by “bubble staff” i.e. the pupils’ own form staff. As part of a modified Recovery timetable which will include additional opportunities for PSHE, Circle time, outdoor exercise as well as all the Core subjects. This approach will allow our pupils to settle back into school. The situation will be kept under review.

No face to face on-site meetings will take place at C.A.S for at least the first term of the school year. Google Meet, telephone and email will be used as appropriate.

Please note: For safe management of arrival and departure, there are some minor modifications to the start and end times of the school day.

Key Stage 5 and Nurture - 8:45am - 2:30pm

Key Stage 3 - 9:00am - 2:45pm

Key Stage 4 - 9:15 - 3:00pm

POLITE REQUEST

If your child has been or is currently shielding or has significant new or long-term medical vulnerabilities, please inform school of their current status and whether they are still required to remain at home. This is vital, so that we can keep all our children as safe as possible and make any necessary adjustments to risk assessments and care of your child in school.

URGENT

If your child or a member of your family develops symptoms of Covid, your child MUST NOT attend school and you must obtain a test as soon as practically possible. Should these circumstances occur, please keep school informed and updated.

