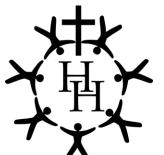
KIRKLEES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL EDUCATION SERVICE HANGING HEATON CE (VC) JUNIOR AND INFANT SCHOOL

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Full school opening 8th March, 2021

We have made the following arrangements for full reopening having followed this operational guidance: (https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/963541/Schools_c oronavirus_operational_guidance.pdf):-

- 1. Each class will stay its own 'pod'. Children in different classes will not mix. We will have staggered breaktimes and lunchtimes and collective worship will take place in individual classrooms.
- Children will need to be dropped off at school between 8:40am and 8:50am. This will allow for a 'natural' staggering of the children at the start of the school day. They should be dropped off at the school gate by one adult only where a member of staff will greet them and they will enter school through their class entry door.
- 3. School will close for all children at 3.00pm on Monday to Friday. Parents should wear masks in the vicinity of school and should wait in the playgrounds near their child's class door at an appropriate social distance from others. Teachers will send the children from their class exit doors. (Class 1 staffroom entry door, Class 2 KS1 door. Class 3 Main office entrance, Class 4 Outdoor classroom, Class 5 Hall door). Parents should vacate the site immediately having collected their children.
- 4. Children should wear school uniform according to our usual uniform code.
- 5. PE will take place outdoors only. Children should wear suitable trainers and outdoor sports clothes (joggers and long sleeved sweatshirt), plus thin waterproof jacket with hood in case of rain, on their class PE days.
- 6. Each 'class pod' will have their individual entry and exit point to the school and their own toilet area.
- 7. All children will access playtimes, in their key stage playground, which will be staggered to minimise opportunities for 'class pods' to mix with each other and ensure other adults are not introduced.
- 8. Lunchtimes will be staggered to minimise opportunities for 'class pods' to mix with each other. Most classes will have their lunch in the hall distanced from other pods. Some classes will have lunch in classrooms. School dinners will be available though will be limited to 2 options rather than 3. One assigned Lunchtime Assistant will support each class.
- 9. As far as practically possible, we will aim to maintain the integrity of each 'class pod' throughout the school day and avoid the introduction of different adults unless absolutely necessary for Health and Safety reasons.
- 10. Our "Attendance Policy" will be reinstated. Children are expected in school every day we are open and parents/carers should inform school should there be an acceptable reason (ie illness or self isolating) for not attending.
- 11. School staff in school will be encouraged to regularly test using government provided lateral flow tests.
- 12. Should anyone in your household, childcare bubble or support bubble become ill with coronavirus symptoms, the whole group must self isolate until a PCR test is taken. If results return as negative, children may return to school. If the result is positive, the whole group must remain isolated until 10 days after symptoms started.
- 13. If your child becomes ill whilst in our care, showing signs of Covid-19 or any other illness, we will isolate them from the other children and call your emergency contact immediately. We would expect the child to be collected without delay so please choose your emergency contacts carefully. We would expect that you would get your child tested using the Track and Trace method and inform us immediately if your child has COVID-19. We would then therefore need to quarantine the entire pod and will take advice from Public Health England as to protocols to follow in school. Further official advice, flow charts and information will be sent in due course.

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14. Should school need to close, either partially or fully and nationally or locally, home learning will be set for children – this will no longer be an optional offer. Families not able to access learning online will be expected to pick it up from school if not isolating. Learning will be expected to be returned via Seesaw at the end of each day or hard copies returned to school weekly.

As usual, thank you for your patience and support with these measures. We may have to be flexible with any alterations to ensure they work as best as possible for the children.

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