

Dear Families

The return to school this week has gone very smoothly. Behind this simple statement lies masses of work and careful preparation which we need to acknowledge.

Firstly a big thank you to you all for preparing your children so well for their return to school. We have a school full of happy and settled children. They are confident, well turned out, eager to learn and have been a pleasure to spend time with. The building is buzzing with happiness! I know it will have been worrying sending children to school after so long, however children's response to school in these early days have been overwhelmingly positive. Thank you.

A thank you to our COVID group of governors who have continued to meet regularly throughout the summer. There has been a significant amount of work involved in reviewing our risk assessments alongside constantly evolving government guidance. This has enabled us to open school with a degree of confidence. Thank you.

Finally I know you will want me to thank our amazing staff. Despite their own fears and worries they have welcomed our school family back with genuine joy. They are all working hard, and I mean very hard, to make our school as safe and happy as it can possibly be during these difficult days. They are doing jobs they shouldn't have to do—like cleaning classrooms and toilets— in and amongst everything they usually do. I am so proud of them all.

Going forwards there are a few areas in which we can make a few improvements and we need your support to do this.

- Please accept direction from school staff. They are all wearing high viz jackets so you can see them.
- Overall we are seeing a tendency to arrive too early—especially at the end of the day. We have two gates and over 200 children to match up with their parents. You need to only arrive within the 'window' we have given you and wait where you have been asked.
- Y1 Parents—please be aware that over the next couple of weeks YR children will be increasing their hours and the back playground will become much busier. Do not arrive earlier than 9.00am or 3.25pm and wait outside until called into the playground.
- Please ensure that all family members have all been given the information they need before they drop off or pick up children.
- You have to pick up your own child. There should be no shared pick ups by other parents, this doesn't work under social distancing rules.
- Use the unmade up road to walk away from school rather than squeezing past queues of other families on the pavements.
- Think carefully about how and when your family mixes with others outside of school. If you are not mindful of this everything we are doing in school could be wasted. Our school and our community will be compromised.

I acknowledge the challenges for those of you with siblings. Thank you for waiting away from the gates and also for keeping your children with you.

One change for next week

- Y4 parents should now queue on the pavement next to the wall between the top and bottom gate. This should help speed up the pick up process.

Have a lovely weekend

Sending love from the staff team to your family,
Mrs B
x



Year Group Bubbles

In order to comply with social distancing regulations, school start and finish times have been staggered as follows:

Year Group	Morning Drop Off	Afternoon Pick Up
Reception	8:55 am start	3:20 pm finish
Year 2	Please queue to drop your child off no earlier than 8:50 am and no later than 9:00 am.	Please queue to collect your child no earlier than 3:15 pm and no later than 3:25 pm.
Year 4		
Year 6		
Year 1	9:05 am start	3:30 pm finish
Year 3	Please queue to drop your child off no earlier than 9:00 am and no later than 9:10 am.	Please queue to collect your child no earlier than 3:25 pm and no later than 3:35 pm.
Year 5		

In order to maintain social distancing it is imperative that parents adhere to these times.



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Welcome
to
Reception

We would like to wish all of our Reception children a very warm welcome to our Sutton CP family.

We have had a very positive start this week and the children have enjoyed exploring their new environment and are getting used to school routines.

Over the next few weeks we are going to be working on relationships and develop friendships across the whole class and within their family groups.

It was lovely to welcome so many families to our virtual Parents Session via Zoom this week. Please continue to check into tapestry regularly, we will continue to post updates there.

We will be reading lots and lots of stories including 'The Colour Monster' which explores feelings and emotions through the medium of colour.

A super start Reception, well done, we are very proud of you,
Mrs Bailey & Mrs Dawson.

Welcome To
Year 1

Welcome to year one and the start of the autumn term.

All the children have settled in very quickly and have had a fabulous first week back. It has been a delight to see a classroom full of happy smiley faces. There are a few pieces of information that I would like you to share with you.

Next week we are sending learning journals home with your child. As you have had these before I am sure you will be familiar with the layout and content. There are lots of resources that are helpful to use with your child at home and at school. The expectation is that they are brought to school every day and taken home every day. You should sign in the reading record part when you hear your child read. I encourage you to do this on a daily basis. There is a section for you to use if you would like to communicate with us. We ask that you remind your child know that they need to pass the learning log to a member of the Y1 team as they enter the classroom each morning and also to have it open on the page of communication.

P.E will be on a Wednesday and Friday as from next week but P.E. bags should be in school at all times. Thank you for taking the time to label your child's belongings this is much appreciated.

We are currently sorting reading books for every child in the class. Your child may be given more than one reading book at a time. Due to COVID we will be changing books once a week. I encourage you to read these books more than once at home with your child, repetition of stories is great for early readers. Of course to read other books from home too.

Although the library is 'closed' to children your child will still have the opportunity to take home a library book that will be chosen from a selection of books which are in the classroom. We are asking that they are taken home on a Friday and only brought back to school the following Friday, when they will have chance to change their book.

As a school we will be providing home learning through our Y1 Google classroom, we will teach your child how to access this as well as sending appropriate information home to yourselves.

The Y1 team would like to thank you for your continued support.
Miss Baldwin,



What a super start to the school year!

We have had a wonderful first week back. It has been lovely to see so many smiles and see how enthusiastic the children are in the classroom.

We have been busy this week introducing our new story - The Colour Monster - in Literacy and the children have amazed me with their knowledge of number in Maths. We have been doing lots of dancing, art and sharing stories.

We are really enjoying our new class novel, The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark.

Year 2 will be taught this year by Miss Bell and supported by Mrs Kerr, Miss Pickering and Mr Barrick. We will also have Miss Day teaching us on a Monday. She will be sharing lots of mindfulness activities with us such as dance, yoga, music and art.

Subjects will be taught in a variety of different ways to support the needs of every learner. We will be working hard to encourage engagement and motivation from every child and are dedicated to support our children to instill lifelong love of learning.

Phonics, Maths and Literacy are taught during the morning which leaves our afternoons open to explore the rest of the curriculum, following the interests of the children where possible.

Learning Journals Every child in school has a Learning Journal. This is to assist them with their learning and documents their targets. There is a section in this for parents and teachers to use to communicate and also a reading record section. If you have a message for us, please leave the learning journal open on the page and encourage your child to hand it to an adult first thing in the morning so we can get back to you with any queries. Learning Journals must be brought to school every morning and taken home at the end of every day.

PE PE will be on a Wednesday morning and Monday afternoon this year. It is very important that you have a PE kit in school every day. Please ensure you have a white T shirt, black shorts/tracksuits and trainers in school. You may also want a purple hoody for when we are outside.

Home Learning Home Learning will be sent home on a Friday via Google Classroom. We will revisit how to access this during lesson time. Children will have weekly spellings to practice linked to the common exception words and any new spelling rules we learn about during the year. They will also have key number facts to practice at the beginning of each half term.

Please continue to read with and to your child too. Children will be sent home 2-3 reading books, as well as a library book on a Thursday. These will be collected and changed weekly so they can be quarantined in school before being sent out again.
Miss Bell

Welcome to Year 3



We have had a fantastic first week back in school. Year Three have shown a real eagerness and excitement to be back at school.

Our PE days this year will be every Tuesday and Thursday; we will try to have our sessions outside as often as possible, so please ensure your

child has the correct clothing for colder days.

Home Learning will begin next week and throughout the school we will be doing this through Google Classroom. Children will be reminded how to access Google Classroom in class next week and will be shown how to share work with both myself, and the rest of the class.

Our whole school topic for this half term is 'Inside Out' which will be based upon the Disney film created in 2015. Our class novel will be 'The Hundred and One Dalmatians' by Dodie Smith.

Year Three have settled back into 'school life,' exceptionally well, and have already shown great enthusiasm. I am very much looking forward to getting to know them better over the next few weeks.

Miss Dean

We have had a wonderful first week back in school. Year Four have been absolutely amazing and I can tell we're all very excited for the year ahead.

Our **PE days** this year will be every Monday and Wednesday. This half term we have a tennis coach coming to teach in the MUPA on Wednesdays which is very exciting!

Home Learning will begin next week and throughout school we will be doing this through Google Classroom. Children will be reminded how to access Google Classroom in class and shown how they can share their learning with myself and how to share it with the whole class.

Year Four have settled in extremely well and are doing a brilliant job of keeping each other safe. Thank you for a wonderful first week back!

Miss Robinson



Year Five have made a fantastic start to the year. We have had a very calm and positive week in class.

PE will be every Wednesday. Children can come to school wearing their PE kit on Wednesdays.

Outdoor Learning will take place on Friday afternoons. Children can bring their kit to change into (please see separate letter for details).

Our **class book** this term is "There is a Boy in the Girls Classroom" by Louis Sachar. Children are encouraged to bring their own copy into class so they can read along as we listen to the story.

Home Learning will begin next week and throughout school we will be doing this through Google Classroom. Children will be reminded how to access Google Classroom in class.

Thank you for supporting your child as we start a new school year.

Mrs Whitehead



What a fantastic beginning to Year 6! Everyone has settled in brilliantly and has coped admirably with the changes to school routine. In fact, our Year 6 pupils are really proving to be fantastic role models and have been responsible, thoughtful and hard working all week.

I would like to draw your attention to a few key things to keep in mind to help support your child at home and to ensure they are appropriately prepared for the weekly routine in Year 6.

PE days are Tuesday and Thursday and we are currently asking all our pupils to come to school wearing the correct PE kit.

Home Learning will start next week (Friday 18th September) and will be primarily Google Classroom based. Pupils are expected to attempt to complete this homework each week. This is brilliant preparation for when they will transfer to secondary school next year.

Pupils will keep their **Learning Journals** in school, unless they contain important information which needs to be shared with you at home.

We are beginning to work on the Year 5/6 **spellings** this half term. To ensure all pupils spend sufficient time learning these, we are using school time to learn the spellings which they will be tested on on a fortnightly basis: the first spelling test will take place on Thursday 17th September. Please support your child in learning these should they wish to do further practise at home.

Pupils in Y6 are being encouraged to leave their reading books in school. They spend at least 20 minutes per day reading for pleasure in school but please encourage your child to read at home. This could be a range of material including comics and magazines, newspapers, non-fiction books, etc. The current **class novel** is The House with Chicken Legs by Sophie Anderson.

If you give permission for your Y6 child to walk to and from school, please email administrator@suttoncp.uk so that we can support them in this.

Pencil cases and other possessions from home must not be brought in to school.

Thank you all for your support. We are really looking forward to a fun-filled learning adventure in Year 6 this year!

Miss Dunkley

Back to School—the usual notices!

School uniform—whilst school is closed over the summer you can purchase school uniform through our approved supplier, MC Sports on Sackville Street in Skipton. Please note that our school logo is under legal copyright so that we can ensure quality; any other supplier using our uniform is using our logo illegally and without our permission. Please support us with this—we get a small percentage of the cost of uniform in commission from MC Sports which we use to subsidise the cost of trips and treats.

We pride ourselves on the appearance of school and this includes school uniform. There is plenty of choice within our school uniform code for children to express their individuality.

Lunchboxes We have clearly labelled trollies for each class. Packed lunches are stored during the morning in a cool place and children are asked not to keep their lunch in the cloakroom where there are warm heating pipes.

Polo shirts—white, purple or jade (with or without embroidered school badge)
School sweatshirt—jade or purple with embroidered school badge
Skirts—grey or black or school purple tartan
Pinafore—grey or school purple tartan
Trousers/shorts—grey or black
Summer Dresses—grey or green check

PE Kit

White tshirt and black shorts
Purple Hoodie—with embroidered school badge
Jogging bottoms—black or grey
Suitable outdoor trainers—black pumps for indoor use

Shoes

Black shoes or plain black trainers

Please note that we do not encourage children to wear brightly coloured trainers and shoes with flashing lights or which can be a great distraction in school. Shoes with wheels are not allowed.

Hair

If children's hair is long enough to be tied back it should be.

Your child's lunchbox needs to fit the trollies which take standard size children's lunchboxes—they are not built to store large bags. Ruck sacks are NOT allowed in school

Pencil Cases Your child does not need a pencil case in school—everything they need is provided by school.

PE Bags—every child is given a name PE bag when they start school. These should be brought every Monday and taken home for washing every Friday. Replacement Bags can be brought from the school office. We are very limited in cloakroom space so children must use the school PE bag.

Reading Bags Please buy a school reading bag—we do not have the space to store large unwieldy bags ie and ask that children do not bring them into school—school reading bags can be purchased for home learning/reading books/learning logs; these can be bought from MC sports or the school office

Water Bottle can be bought through the school office—all children NEED a water bottle EVERY day

Learning Logs—at the beginning of the school your child will be given a learning log for the year—it contains lots of valuable information that your child will need throughout the school year ahead.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS ARE CLEARLY LABELLED



Please keep in touch with us.

Don't be shy about telling us things that will help your child to be happy in school. Be brave about telling us anything at home which you think might affect their ability to settle within the classroom. You can contact us by phone or email using the administrator@suttoncp.uk address. We have very effective communication systems within school. Any information will be shared with the relevant members of staff who will treat it professionally, with sensitivity and discretion. The information you give us will help us support your child.



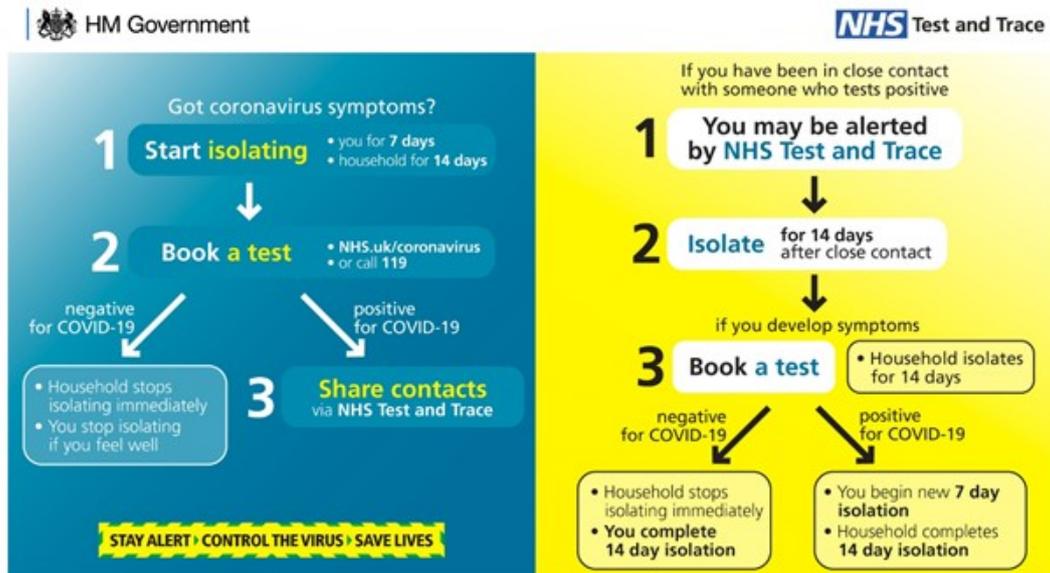
Guidance

What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges in the autumn term

Updated 1 September 2020

www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term

What to do if...



- Follow the really clear guidance above and keep us informed
- Tell us if anyone in your household is tested and tell us the result. You should tell us by email (administrator@suttoncp.uk) or by phone 01535 633064