



EASTERN PRIMARY SCHOOL
Friends Together, Learn Forever

Arrangements for September

The education minister announced that schools will open on September 1st and schools need to prepare for a full return of all pupils by September 14th. Class structures have now been agreed with governors and the following plans are now in place for all our children to return.

The plans are made in accordance with the Welsh Assembly guidance.

Social distancing is limited for children but adults must continue to social distance

Please read the following and if you have any questions – school is open today and school mobiles are taking calls on Friday also. 07387903683 / 07423816942

What's happening?	Why was it arranged like this?
Staggered start times 8.40am, 8.50am and 9.00am.	Each bubble class should not mix with another bubble class
Each bubble class will have two members of staff.	So children can be taught in smaller groups to help those who need catch up teaching.
Each bubble class will be split into two teaching groups.	To reduce the numbers in classrooms which lowers risks
Spare classrooms and hall space (with high screens) will be used as teaching areas.	To reduce the numbers of children in teaching groups for safety and teaching purposes.
Children will bring a packed lunch to school and those entitled to a free school meal will be provided with a packed lunch.	It is not safe to have large numbers of children in the hall for lunch and hot meals cannot be kept warm for long periods of time.
Packed lunches to be brought in plastic / paper bags	Advice from Welsh guidance
Staggered playtimes	To ensure each class group does not mix.
Finishing times 3.10pm, 3.20pm, 3.30pm	To ensure adults can adhere to social distancing outside the school gates.
Children can bring the devices they work on at home into school.	To ensure children can continue working on a device in the case of a further school closure.
Children need to wear uniform	To reset school policy
Children will have their own pencil cases provided by school.	To avoid children sharing equipment which lowers risks of any transmission of the virus.
Pupil workstations facing the same direction as far as possible	To minimise the transfer of saliva droplets between pupils
Those who feel unwell with Covid symptoms must not attend school	Test / Trace / Track / Protect procedures take place in accordance with Welsh guidance
Regular handwash	Reduce risks of any cross infection.
Easy access to hand sanitiser	If hand washing is not possible at any time
Regular sanitizing systems will remain in place	To encourage a covid safe environment for children and staff.

There is no breakfast club	Bubble groups should not mix
There are no after school clubs	Compulsory education is a priority
Only essential visitors can enter the school	Minimise risks and for Test Trace Protect purposes

Over the first two weeks of September we have arrangements for all pupils to come into school to meet their new teacher, see their classroom, find out about the new way of working, check everything out, and ask questions. We will do this carefully to ensure children and adults feel safe, especially those who have not been into school at all over the last three weeks. These visits will focus on wellbeing and methods of blended learning to ensure we are able to revert to home learning if there is a need for closure or a local lockdown.

Here are the bubble groups that will have two teaching areas.

Nursery / Reception - Mrs Thomas and Mrs Baker – Early Years Unit

Reception / Year 1 - Mrs Clifford and Mr Houten - Early Years Unit

Year 1 / 2 – Mrs Jones & Mrs Jenkins

Year 2/3 - Mrs DeClaire, Mrs Reynolds & Mrs Cole

Year 4/5 (WD)- Mrs Wall & Mrs E Davies

Year 4/5 (MG) - Mr Manley & Mrs Garlick

Year 6 – Mrs Fry - smaller number of pupils so they will remain as one bubble group. **Here are transition days for each bubble group**

Date	Group	Times	Entrance & Exit
Thurs Sept 3 rd	Rec	8.40am - 3.10pm	Early Year Unit (main door)
	Year 6	8.40am - 3.10pm	Main door
Fri Sept 4 th	Rec / Yr 1	8.50am - 3.20pm	Early Year Unit (fire door)
	Year 4/5 (WD)	8.50am - 3.20pm	Main door
Mon Sept 7 th	Year 1 / 2	8.50am - 3.20pm	Bottom gate, side door
	Year 2/3	9.00am - 3.30pm	Bottom gate, side door
	Year 4/5 (MG)	9.00am - 3.30pm	
Tues Sept 8 th	Nurs / Rec	8.40am - 3.10pm	Early Year Unit (main door)
	Year 2/3	9.00am - 3.30pm	Bottom gate, side door
	Year 4/5 (WD)	8.50am - 3.20pm	Main door
Wed Sept 9 th	Rec / Yr 1	8.50am - 3.20pm	Early Year Unit (fire door)
	Year 4/5 (MG)	9.00am - 3.30pm	Main door
	Year 6	8.40am - 3.10pm	Main door
Thurs Sept 10 th	Nurs / Rec	8.40am - 3.10pm	Early Year Unit (main door)
	Year 1 / 2	8.50am - 3.20pm	Bottom gate, side door
	Year 2/3	9.00am - 3.30pm	Bottom gate, side door
	Year 6	8.40am - 3.10pm	Main door
Fri Sept 11 th	Rec / Yr 1	8.50am - 3.20pm	Early Year Unit (fire door)
	Year 1 / 2	8.50am - 3.20pm	Bottom gate, side door
	Year 4/5 (WD)	8.50am - 3.20pm	Main door
	Year 4/5 (MG)	9.00am - 3.30pm	Main door

Mon Sept 14th	All pupils to attend school. Same times and same entrance that has been practised.
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The safety and wellbeing of the children remains our priority and there may be times when your child may need some individual support, for whatever reason, and may need to come out of their class bubble for a short period of time. Mrs J Davies will be available for these children and she will contact parents if we have any worries or if your child is upset. If children need to be collected they will ring the school when outside and Mrs Davies will take the child out to the parent.

Staff members will be continuing with online learning and contacting families with action plans on the days when their groups are not attending. This is to ensure online learning problems can be sorted and families / children with anxieties are suitably prepared for the full return on the 14th.

You will receive a message from the school today to let your child know what teachers they will have in September.

If you have any questions you can ring the school / ring the school mobile / email school / or ask your question via the school website questions page.