



Wednesday 3rd June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Phased return of Year 6, Year 1 and Reception children from 15th June 2020

I would firstly like to thank you for your patience whilst we waited for further information regarding re-opening of schools from the government. We are now in the position to write to you, concerning the wider opening of Perivale Primary School in light of the government's guidance.

The decision of the Governing Body and Senior Leadership Team

Over the past two weeks the Local Authority has been liaising with unions and the government on providing guidance to support the re-opening of schools. In reviewing the final guidance, both the senior leadership team (SLT) and governors felt it important that we had the sufficient time to undertake a full risk assessment to ensure appropriate measures are in place to support the safe re-opening of Perivale Primary. This has led to the decision for a phased re-opening of the school starting with **Year 6 on the 15th June**.

This will be followed by **Year 1 on 22nd June** and **Reception on 29th June**. The decision to start with the older children is because we feel they are more resilient and able to adapt to a new system compared to younger children.

Each year group will be split into classes- with each class attending for 2 days per week. School will be closed for all year groups on Fridays for deep cleaning and re- evaluation of risk assessment. School will remain open for the children of key workers and those who are identified as vulnerable.

Risk Assessment

We are currently creating detailed plans to make sure we can safely welcome these year groups back. A full risk assessment and plans for mitigating the risks for children and adults on the school site will be shared with parents over the next few days so that you can make an informed decision. Parents /carers will need to decide whether they will send their children to school when school reopens for their child, it is not mandatory.

Staggered drop off and pick-up times

From 15th June, the structure of the school day will be very different. Each year group will be allocated a set drop off and pick up time to which parents **MUST** adhere to, to ensure adequate social distancing during these times. This will be via a one way system to maintain social distancing.

Year Group	Return to school	Drop Off Time	Pick Up Time
Year 6	Monday 15 th June	8.45am – 9.00am	2.45pm
Year 1	Monday 22 nd June	9.00am – 9.15am	3.00pm – 3.10pm
Reception	Monday 29 th June	9.15am – 9.30am	3.15pm – 3.25pm

Children in Y6 will enter the school gates without a parent/carer and we are strongly advising parents to sign up to the school walk home along agreement.

To reduce the number of adults on site only 1 parent/ carer from each household should drop off and collect their child.



If your year 6 child has a younger sibling in year 1 or reception they will be able to drop off their sibling between 8.45am and 8.55am. Teachers will be in their classroom from 8.45am.

Limiting class sizes

Children will be taught in small groups of 10 to ensure the recommended social distancing can be adhered to. The same adult/s will be with each group every day where possible.

In addition to the above the following actions by staff, parents will contribute to reducing the likelihood of COVID-19 transmission:

Cleaning and hygiene

- Throughout the day the disinfecting of regularly touched objects and surfaces across the school will take place
- Children will be directed to washing their hands frequently for at least 20 seconds, using soap and water, or hand sanitiser where soap and water are not immediately available
- Coughing or sneezing into tissues before binning them. Bins will be emptied throughout the day
- **Clothing** - Please try to change your child's clothing every day. We realise this can be challenging, therefore, if you choose to send your child in comfortable summer uniform or Jogging bottoms, t-shirt/polo this is acceptable. Please do not purchase additional uniform as they are likely to outgrow items by the end of the summer and we do not want parents to incur additional expenses.

COVID -19

- If your child (or anyone in their household) develop symptoms of COVID-19, they stay at home and follow guidance on [household isolation](#);
- If your child is at higher risk of illness from COVID-19 because they are clinically vulnerable or extremely clinically vulnerable (i.e. shielding). The school will arrange for children in these groups to access home learning activities.

If the above advice is followed carefully, any risk of transmission in school will be greatly reduced.

I want to reassure you that we will not be pressurising parents to send their children to school as you know what is best for your child and their well-being. Over the next week we will provide you with more details on the arrangements for reopening so you can make the appropriate decision.

The school will continue to provide child care for key workers, children with EHCPs and other vulnerable children

For pupils at home, we'll continue to support you and your child with home learning, and free school meal vouchers for those eligible children.

We appreciate that there is a lot of information being sent out nevertheless, it is important that you read these to stay fully informed. We would like to thank all adults for the tremendous efforts you have been putting in to educate your children at home.

Please do not hesitate to contact teachers through the Year group emails or other staff through the admin e-mail (admin@perivale.ealing.sch.uk) if you would like further help. If your family have experienced any challenging circumstances then please let us know so that we can offer support.



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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact through the school admin email.

Warm regards,

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