

## **GUIDE TO FULL OPENING**

# **Stoke Hill Infant and Nursery School**

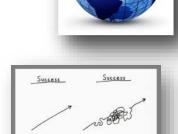
We are delighted to be able to open to all children in September.

This is our guide to you as to how this will work.

This information will explain how we will open fully and implement the guidance issued by the DfE.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools





what people think

We will maintain the 'Bubble' model. When fully open children will belong to a 'class bubble' led by their teacher together with other staff if required.

Children with additional needs will be supported as discussed and agreed by their parent/carer and teacher/key person.

Three class bubbles will come together during playtimes and lunchtimes as 'year group' bubbles and observing maximum distancing possible.

Entrance and exit from school and nursery will be via various points to reduce contact and social mixing.

We will continue with many of the health and safety measures put in place during partial and wider re-opening. Updates to the guide following can be identified as in **bold**.

Our whole school risk assessment can be found on our website.

# As a Federation, we will do our utmost to provide a safe and nurturing environment to which the children can return.

### The information below explains how this will happen.

Our '6 steps to safety' remain:

- 1. Minimising contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring those who have COVID-19 symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school
- 2. Cleaning hands more thoroughly than usual
- 3. Ensuring good respiratory hygiene, promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach
- 4. Continuing with enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often
- 5. Minimising contact between groups wherever possible and maintaining social distancing
- 6. Using PPE if we need to

We will respond to any infections by engaging with the NHS Track and Trace system and following the advice of the local health protection team.

# How the whole school will continue to learn and play

**Additional spaces** in our school will be timetabled for use by Bubbles and cleaned after each use.

Arriving at and Leaving School children will need to be dropped off and picked up by one adult. Children must arrive on foot, scooters and bikes will not be allowed on site We will use three gateways to reduce the amount of people using entrances at the start and end of the day. A member of the leadership team will be outside encouraging maximum distancing for parents. Adults will not be permitted inside the school building, children will need to enter the classroom on their own.

Parents and children should not congregate outside school and walk home in family units only. Parent punctuality is crucial to allow social distancing to be effective.

Attendance at school will be compulsory. If you are concerned about your child attending in September, then please contact the school immediately so that we can discuss this with you.

Belongings Children can use their bookbags and will also be given their own writing and drawing equipment that will not be shared with any other child in the bubble. Please provide an EMPTY pencil case for your child to use – school will provide the contents, e.g. pencil, scissors, ruler etc.

Books will be cleaned frequently throughout the week.

**Classrooms** will be pared back, soft furnishings will be removed and items unable to be easily cleaned daily will be removed. Our spaces will be re-configured to reflect guidelines on maintaining spaces between seats and tables where possible. Staff will open windows and doors on arrival for maximum ventilation. **Children in Year 2 will face the front of the classroom, when this is appropriate.** 

**Cleaning** Each **class bubble** will have a cleaning kit which will be taken with them if they use another learning space. The cleaning pack will allow staff to regularly wipe and clean equipment, handles and frequently touched surfaces as appropriate.

#### Drop off and collection details: 8.50am to drop off and 3.10pm to pickup

- Beech Class from the playground
- Willow and Oak Classes from outside their French windows

Chaffinch, Swift and Woodpecker Classes outside their French windows

New children in the Foundation Stage and Nursery – drop off and collection arrangements will be discussed with you at your 'stay and play' session in September.

#### Entering and exiting the school site

- Only use the entrance/exit designated for your child's class
- Arrive on time to avoid queuing if you have to queue please keep socially distanced.
- Please exit the school site swiftly.
- The playground and adventure are not available before and after school
- The main entrance to the school will be closed for drop off and collection.
- The school gates will be locked at 9.05am and 3.25pm. If you are delayed for any reason you will need to contact the office so that your child can be admitted.

**Extended School Provision** This is available at the Junior School site. There will be some mixing of children from different yeargroup bubbles. If you require Breakfast Club or After School Club provision please contact Mrs Sinclair lisa.sinclair@stokehill.devon.sch.uk

**First Aid** First aid will be administered by class bubble staff where possible, **alternatively a first aider from another bubble will administer first aid**. A First Aid kit will be available in each bubble together with the full range of PPE.

**Handwashing** Children will continue to wash hands regularly and at key points during the day with soap and water for 20 seconds and dry thoroughly, they may also use antibacterial hand gel.

**Health** If you suspect your child is unwell do not send them to school. If a child becomes ill at school we will phone for the child to be collected and taken home as usual.

Health/Covid 19 If a child falls ill we will phone for collection as usual. If Covid19 symptoms are present:

- the child (or staff member) will immediately be sent home and advised to book a test.
- if the test comes back as negative they can come back to school when they are fully well
- if the test comes back as positive the whole Bubble (and everyone in their household) will need to self-isolate for 14 days.

**Learning Outside Class bubbles** will use the areas within the grounds which will be rotated on a daily basis. 'Outside' will be split into seven areas: the Playground, Adventure Playground, Top Field, Sense Garden, Nursery Woodland, Year 2 outside area, Foundation Stage outdoor area.

Lunchtime Lunch will be eaten in the hall, one yeargroup at a time. Class bubbles will eat on designated tables. The lunch hour for year groups will be staggered across midday. Each year group will have outside play during the lunch period, timetabled across the playground, adventure playground and top field.

Lockdown If we were to need to lockdown in the future, we will continue your child's learning by blending online learning, workbooks, learning packs and website resources.

Moving around the School This will be limited inside as we will make most use of outside routes to reach other areas. The travel plan with directions previously operating will continue. Sign posts around the school remind staff and pupils.

P.E. Kit The children need their PE kit suitable for indoor P.E.

Playtimes Class bubbles will become a year group bubble at playtime using the playground, adventure playground and top field.

**PPE** Staff will not be routinely wearing protective equipment unless they are dealing with a medical issue. We have had clear guidance about when this equipment should be used, which we will be following carefully. Currently it is not recommended that children wear face masks, their teachers/TAs will not be wearing masks either. This may change if government advice changes.

**Punctuality** it is important that adults stick to the times for arrival and pick up to ensure the safety of everyone on site. Lateness will cause a significant concern and will come to the attention of Mrs Mackay, who will discuss this with you.

**Sun cream** on hot sunny days please apply a high factor, waterproof sunscreen before school. This will be adequate protection through the day. Children will wear their hats as well.

Teaching and Learning Teachers will stay with their class, and wherever possible other staff will work within the class and the year-group bubble only. However, it will not always be possible for there to be no contact between groups, for example if a class has a supply teacher or when a teaching assistant supports children from more than one class bubble. We will keep records to make sure we know which staff have been in contact with which bubble of children.

Toilet use children will access the toilets during the course of the day. Toilets will be cleaned regularly throughout the day.

**Uniform** School children will need to wear school uniform, Nursery children please wear your own clothes for playing and exploring in. Everyone needs a sunhat to leave in school. On return home we recommend children shower and change clothes. Uniform/play clothes should be washed and changed **frequently** to reduce potential contamination.

Water Children need to bring a water bottle in school which can be taken home to be re-filled each day.

Wellbeing will be at the heart of all that we do at the start of the new school year whilst we all settle in to school together again

We hope this guide provides the details you need in order to see how school will fully open. If you have any comments or think further details could be helpfully included, then please contact the school <a href="mailto:infant.admin@stokehill.devon.sch.uk">infant.admin@stokehill.devon.sch.uk</a>