



Landscape C of E Primary School

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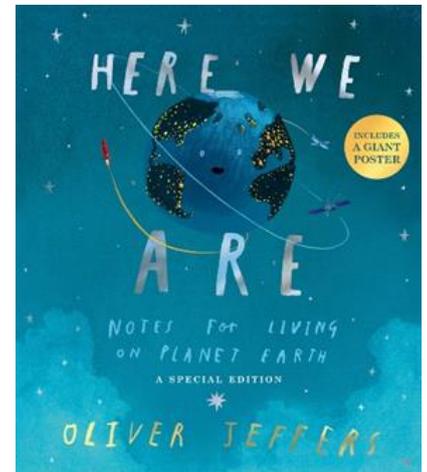
Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back!

Well, the summer holidays have, as usual, flown by and we are at the start of another year. I can honestly say the staff will be delighted to see your children again next week – it's been nearly 6 months since the school was full so we're looking forward to getting back to it!

A full risk assessment, for your information and reassurance, will be available on the school website towards the end of this month. This has been overseen by our CEO and Trustees, and will be tested by our local board of governors, so rest assured it is as thorough as can be and has been scrutinised. Hopefully this will reassure you that we are doing everything possible to have children safely back to school.

Things will still be different this September so it is worth preparing your children for this. Our curriculum will be adjusted; enabling us to recover lost teaching and learning time in the core subjects. We intend to spend the first two weeks of term focusing on the wellbeing and support for all children whether or not they attended school in the summer term in one of our 'bubbles'. We feel it is important for the children to re-connect with the school routines, rules behaviour and learning expectations as well as re-connecting as a whole school community and re-establish friendships and social engagement. The children across the school will therefore be involved in a two-week unit of work called 'Here we are'. This is a literacy-based unit of work/learning that has been devised specifically for a whole school to work together using a single text to support a transition curriculum as children return to school. It aims to support reading and writing for pleasure across the school. Please see the school website for our Recovery Curriculum plan which will take us through to building back to a full, broad and balanced curriculum.



The government have asked that schools have a broad and balanced curriculum back in place by the summer term 2021. We aim to do this as soon as we feel it is right for the children in our school.

In addition to curriculum changes my role is changing whilst I support Broadhempston Primary School, in the first few weeks of term, due to the absence of their head teacher. We have been working closely together for the last year so this will not be difficult to manage or impact on the running of Landscape. This highlights the strength of our Trust, where support can be given when needed by an experienced team.

We are recommending that parents visit gov.uk/backtoschool for information and practical guidance to help you plan for your children's return to school. In order to prepare children please refresh them about routines for hand washing and respiratory hygiene. The following link takes you to some resources which will be useful to talk through with your children. <https://e-bug.eu/>

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ATTENDANCE

From this September school is mandatory and attendance will be monitored rigorously, in line with Trust policy. It is vital that children are here, catching up on missed education and opportunities to develop socially, emotionally as well as academically.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder about school uniform. The wearing of school uniform is actively encouraged, fostering an identity with and pride in the school.

School Logo Jumpers, sweatshirts, cardigans, fleece jackets and PE shirts are available from <https://myclothing.com/landscove-church-of-englandprimary-school/12863.school> , but not all logo items are not essential.

Children are asked to wear:

Navy sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece. (Bearing the school logo is useful for when we take trips as the logo helps to easily identify us.)

Blue skirt or pinafore

Blue/black/grey trousers/shorts

White or Blue Polo Top / shirt with collars not round neck

White socks, navy tights or blue leggings worn under a skirt as tights

Sensible and smart black or blue shoes. Trainers of this colour are also suitable, but a second pair must be available for sport/PE.

Summer wear with blue check

Sun hats should be worn in the Summer

PE

Joggers and hoodies are acceptable for PE only.

White round necked t shirts

Blue shorts

PE trainers

This list is not exhaustive but represents the main items, which can be found in most high street supermarkets. It's also worth noting that Justina (FOLS) has second hand uniform available.

We appreciate your support with following our uniform policy.

PE

We are lucky to have PE specialist Mr Tanner joining us again on a Thursday for PE. He will be teaching each class and has his own thorough risk assessments which allow this to happen. We are asking that on this day all children come to school in their PE kit and remain in their kit for the day. This reduces that bags in school and the need to facilitate any changing rooms that might be needed.

ACCESS TO SCHOOL

In order to minimise the risk of infection parents will not have access to the school. If you need to speak to a teacher please phone and book an appointment ~ Amanda will do her best to get you booked in as soon as possible.

LUNCHES

We will send information regarding lunch orders in a separate letter. Lunch service will also be in Bubbles, further supporting our aim to socially distance groups of children and staff within school.

WRAP AROUND CARE

Details are within staggered day information.

Booking via Parent Pay, in advance, will be necessary by 12 noon on the previous day. No cash payments or late bookings will be accepted for Breakfast club/After school care.

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We will be doing our utmost to keep children and adults safe from Covid 19 with the following measures, many of which have already served us well during our phased opening last term:

Staggered start to each day:

- **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Wrap around care 8:00** , enter school via school office, to be met by Miss Kearle and directed to go to wash hands, apply sanitizer and sit at named Bubble table. We will have individually packed breakfasts on offer to support Miss Kearle not crossing Bubbles directly. Resources will be limited, so children's reading books will be well thumbed and CBeebies well watched! Cost £2:50 per session.
- **C4 children to arrive at 8:45**, enter school via church pathway to playground. To be met by class teacher at the school gate by the road and directed to go straight to class and wash hands, apply sanitizer and sit at named desk (monitored by class TA). Parents will be required to queue roadside, on the social distance lines provided when dropping children to school.
- **C3 children to arrive at 8:45**, enter school via pathway to playground. To be met by class teacher at the school gate by the road and directed to go straight to class and wash hands, apply sanitizer and sit at named desk (monitored by class TA). Parents will be required to queue carpark side, on the social distance lines provided when dropping children to school.
- **C2 children to arrive at 8:45**, enter school via front entrance, gate nearest the office. To be met by class teacher at the school gate and directed to go and wash hands, apply sanitizer and sit at named desk (monitored by class TA). Parents will be required to queue roadside, on the social distance lines provided when dropping children to school
- **EYFS children to arrive at 9:00**. Pupils to enter school via EYFS playground. To be met by class teacher at the school gate by the road and directed to go to wash hands, apply sanitizer and sit at named desk (monitored by class TA). Parents will be required to queue roadside, on the social distance lines provided when dropping children to school.

PUNCTUALITY

This staggered system relies on parents being punctual as it allows the smooth start to our day without 'Bubbles' crossing paths. **Please support us and be on time.**

Please be aware that we will be unable to 'peel' anxious children from parents. We will do our very best to offer calm and supportive encouragement

Staggered end to each day

- **3:15 pm EYFS children (once in school full time) to be collected** from gate at the front of school ~ teachers will line bring children to the gate. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off.
- **3:25 pm C2 children to be collected** from front gate (nearest the office) where they were dropped off ~ teachers will line children up and bring them to the gate. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off.
- **3:30 pm C3 children to be collected** from school path gate~ teachers will line children up and bring them to the gate. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off.
- **3:30 pm C4 children to be collected** from church path gate~ teachers will line children up and bring them to the gate. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off. Church path used to aid social distancing for parents.
- **Monday-Thursday: Wrap around Care: After School 3:30**. Children will go to the hall and sit at their Bubble tables. Again resources used will be limited. Children may be collected until **5:30pm** from the school office at the latest where they will be signed out. £3 per hour. Please be punctual on pick up so we can continue to offer a 5:30 finish. Staff are allocated clean down jobs beyond the school care time and lateness further increases their hours.

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Staff will send one child to a parent at a time, ensuring social distancing can be effective and ask that you support us in this endeavour.

Parents are required to take children home immediately and not to stay and use school field for play. Children are not allowed to use the play trail during school hours and we would ask that this is supported by yourselves after school.

We would like to ask all parents to ensure that children **do not** bring toys, pens/pencils or stationery to school. Our aim is to minimise the potential spread of infection between us. We will begin sending reading books home this term and will have a returns box to enable books to be stored for a minimum of 72 hours before being returned to the book shelves for general use again.

Children will not wear facemasks in school. Government guidelines indicate that children under the age of 12 have no need to wear mask as they would be difficult to manage in terms of removing, putting on and storing safely ~ experience would tell us that young children would particularly enjoy playing with elastic!

We also need to ensure that in the event of a child becoming ill / C19 symptomatic that you as parents are immediately contactable and able to collect your child promptly. We will be very appreciative of your support with this. Please ensure we have the most up-to-date contact details for your family.

Well, that was a lot of information and reminders!

I hope both children and parents are looking forward to our return next week. I for one am looking forward to getting back to some normal routines and seeing the happy faces and delightful chatter of your children.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Jill Ryder.

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