

FAQs - The return to Manor Green College in September 2020

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| <p>How will my child be kept safe at Manor Green College</p> | <p>The safety of our children, parents and staff is paramount. Adhering to the latest guidance, the college has put in a large range of safety measures which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staggered arrivals/pick ups • Use of 'bubbles' to minimise contact with other groups of children • Additional cleaning staff • Additional hygiene resources • One way systems in corridors • Staggered break and lunch times • Adapted behaviour home/school agreement <p>And many, many more, all in line with government and West Sussex County Council guidance.</p> |
| <p>What is a 'bubble'?</p> | <p>A 'bubble' is a term given for a class group who will be taught by their teachers and support staff in their own environment. Year Group/Key Stage 'bubbles' will also be formed for events such as arrival/pick up and break times. To minimise risk, formed bubbles of children will not mix with others. For example, only one bubble will play on the playground at any one time.</p> |
| <p>Will my child be with their teacher?</p> | <p>Now that guidance has changed your child will be with their teacher and LSA's from the start of term.</p> |
| <p>Will teachers be wearing masks and gloves?</p> | <p>All college staff are following government guidance and will wear appropriate PPE if dealing with first aid, moving and handling, personal care or positive handling incidents and at other times when appropriate.</p> |
| <p>My child needs medication. Shall I bring it to the office?</p> | <p>All medication needs for your child will need to be clearly named and in its original box. It will need to be brought to the office where they will sign it in and take it to the medical room for storage.</p> |
| <p>I'm anxious about my child's safety. Do children have to return in September?</p> | <p>We are very confident that all the measures we have taken will ensure children are safe here at the College. The government guidance is that attendance at school will return to being mandatory from September. If you have any concerns around this, please contact us on an individual basis so we can support you.</p> |
| <p>What time should I bring my child to school?</p> | <p>Parental drop off and Independent Traveller arrival: 9:15-9:30 Parental collection and Independent Traveller leaving site: 2:30 - 2:45</p> <p>Transport drop off: 8:45 - 9:15 Transport collection: 2.50 - 3:45</p> <p>These times will enable us to manage the significant numbers at the college and primary and the beginning and end of the day.</p> |
| <p>Can I still drive into the car park?</p> | <p>The carpark onsite will be open as usual, but we ask that you keep to the agreed drop off times to support the safe start and end to each day. College and primary staff will be in in the car park supporting with traffic.</p> |
| <p>What should my child bring with them?</p> | <p>It is still recommended that we limit the amount of equipment brought to the college each day, therefore, only essentials can be brought in. if</p> |

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| | students don't need a bag then please don't come with one. Please avoid bringing belongings from home into the college as much as possible. All hygiene products that are sent in with students must be clearly labelled. |
| What should my child wear? | Children are expected to wear their college uniform. Due to increased levels of outdoor activity/learning in the timetable, we advise children to wear trainers or trainer type shoes to school if possible. Initially, they do NOT need to bring their PE kits. |
| My child usually has a school meal. Will they still get this? | School lunches will continue as normal with students having lunches in classrooms within their bubble. |
| I have a question for the Office. Can I pop in at drop-off/pick up time? | Parents/carers must NOT come to the college office in person unless it is an emergency. Office staff will be on hand to answer phone calls and reply to emails. |
| My child may be a little anxious and could need help coming into school. Can I walk them into the classroom? | We completely understand that this situation will be worrying and confusing for some children. There will be clear systems in place at drop-off times to ensure the children can quickly meet their teacher and friends before starting their day. Parents will not be able to walk into the college building or into classrooms. |
| Will trips/life skills still go ahead? | The government guidance is that all trips and visits that do not involve overnight or overseas can now go ahead, subject to the venue being deemed 'covid-secure'. |
| What if my child becomes unwell at the college? | Your child will be cared for as usual by our first aiders and medical staff. You will be contacted in the normal way. If the illness involves symptoms of Covid-19, your child will be isolated from other children and cared for by protected staff. You will need to come and collect your child immediately and register for a test in line with government guidelines. |
| What if a member of my family becomes unwell with Covid-19 symptoms? | Parents should familiarise themselves with the NHS Test and Trace procedures. In line with government and Public Health England guidance, all family members should self-isolate and register for testing if appropriate. Please follow all government guidance when deciding the most appropriate course of action but children should NOT continue attending the College whilst the testing process is ongoing. |
| What if the teacher leading the 'bubble' becomes unwell? | Rules on the use of supply teachers have been relaxed so, if a member of staff is unable to come to work, children will still be well provided for by our bank of expert supply teachers. |
| What if there is a suspected case of Covid-19 in a bubble? | We will follow all official guidelines as set out by Public Health England. Any confirmed cases of Covid-19 may result in a bubble being closed and isolation guidance sent to parents/carers. |