



TEMPLE GROVE ACADEMY

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## **Frequently asked questions**

### **Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 – June 2020**

#### **Do I have to send my child to school week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> June?**

No, the government has provisionally advised that Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 6 may return at this time. This is parental choice and no fines will be issued if families choose not to attend.

At this moment in time **nursery** will remain **closed**.

#### **What if I have a child who is shielding or is clinically extremely vulnerable?**

If your child is clinically extremely vulnerable, or living with someone who is in this group, they should **NOT** come back to school and should continue home learning. If your child is clinically vulnerable (but not clinically extremely vulnerable), you should follow medical advice to decide if they should come back to school. Please refer to [government guidance](#) for further details of these groups.

#### **Will there still be online learning?**

Yes, there will continue to be learning online for Reception to Year 6. The timetable and content may change slightly in Year groups who have returned to school.

Home learning for Nursery and Reception will now be under 'Home Learning – EYFS' on the school website. Parents are encouraged to share their child's home learning with the class teacher by uploading photos to Tapestry.

#### **What is a 'bubble'?**

A bubble is a reduced group of children (maximum 15) and staff who will remain together throughout the school day. Where possible, bubbles will not be in contact using separate indoor/outdoor space and equipment.

### **What if my child presents symptoms at home or is unwell?**

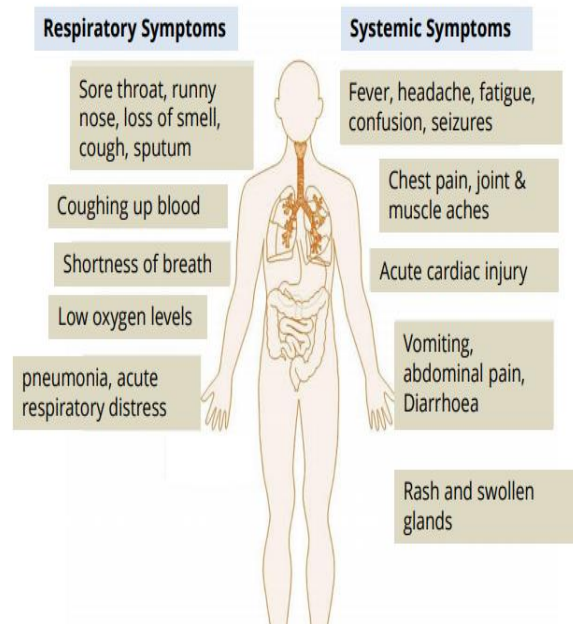
Your child will be required to remain home for 14 days. Please inform the school by phone or email and follow Government 'Stay at home guidance.'

### **What if my child presents symptoms at school or is unwell?**

Your child will be isolated in school until they can be collected.  
An adult will supervise your child at a social distance.

### **What if a child (or staff member) presents symptoms or tests positive for Covid-19?**

Your child's bubble, including school staff, will be asked to self-isolate for 14 days at home.



**Covid-19 Symptoms - May 2020.**

### **Will I collect and drop off my child/children in the same way?**

No, timings for collection and drop off will be staggered.

**Children of Key workers** - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - 8.00am to 3.15pm using Friars Way entrance

**Nursery** – This will not open at present but will remain under review

**Reception** – From Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – 9.00am to 12.30pm using **Greggs Wood Road Entrance**

**Year 1** – From Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June – 9.30am to 2.00pm using Friars Way Entrance

**Year 6** – From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – 9.00am to 2.30pm using Friars Way Entrance

**To ensure social distancing we ask that you collect and drop off at your assigned time and DO NOT congregate outside the school premises. The school will have clear markings to support you with this.**

Where possible, we strongly advise that **one person drops off and collects** to minimise the number of people on the school site. If siblings attend pick up they **must** remain with an adult. If older children choose to walk home alone, we encourage them to continue to social distance or walk home alone.

### **Can another family collect my child?**

No, we ask that families collect their own child/ren to ensure limited contact and distancing.

### **What will my child need to bring to school?**

1. Packed lunch - Children are asked to bring a packed lunch in a carrier bag that can be disposed of. School packed lunches can be ordered (see below). We ask that packed lunches are still healthy and balanced and that children are able to open any items included, such as yoghurts themselves
2. Water bottle – This can be refilled safely at school
3. One piece of fruit
4. Sunhat
5. Sun cream – please ensure this is applied at home.
6. School bags are **NOT** required.

**Please ensure ALL items are named**

\*Year 6 are invited to wear their leavers' hoodies on Fridays.

### **What is the school doing to ensure children are safe and social distancing is maintained where possible?**

The school is carefully following Government and Local Authority guidelines:

- Class sizes will be reduced to a maximum of 15. Children and adults will stay with the same 15 children in their 'bubble' throughout the day
- Classroom furniture will be designed to support social distancing
- Children will be issued with their own pencil cases and stationery and will use the same desk. This applies to Years 1 and 6 only
- One-way systems are in place for children moving around the school and 2metre distancing marked
- Children will spend more time outside and weather permitting will eat outside
- The curriculum and daily school timetable will allow children greater opportunity to discuss their experiences and feelings
- Pick up and drop off will be staggered
- One child to use the toilets at any time where possible
- Hand sanitisers available and regular handwashing
- Children to be regularly reminded of cleanliness routines and handwashing
- Classrooms and equipment will be cleaned during the school day as well as at the end of the school day
- Some resources and equipment will not be available if cleanliness cannot be guaranteed
- Windows and doors will be open at all times, where possible.

### **Will my child be required to wear school uniform?**

No. We ask that children wear home clothes suitable for the weather and footwear for outdoor and sporting activities. We kindly ask that clothes are washed daily to reduce potential risk of contamination.

### **Will my child need to bring in a PE kit?**

No, your 'bubble' teacher will advise when P.E will take place. Children should wear clothing and footwear which is suitable on this day. Where possible such clothing should be worn at all times.

**Will breakfast club be available from 1<sup>st</sup> June?**

Breakfast club will remain **closed**.

**Will my child need to bring a face mask or hand sanitiser?**

No, children are **not** required to wear face masks in school. Hand sanitiser will be provided at school for regular use and at school drop off. Please do **not** send your own hand sanitiser.

**Will the school office reopen?**

No, the school office will **remain closed** to all parents and visitors unless by prior arrangement. We ask that you phone or email if you need to get in touch. t 01892 520562 or 01892 521124 e [office@templegroveacademy.com](mailto:office@templegroveacademy.com).

Please continue to use the [classroom@templegroveacademy.com](mailto:classroom@templegroveacademy.com) email if your query concerns home learning.

**Can I speak to my class teacher at collection or drop off?**

No, we ask that if you want to speak to your class teacher you make an appointment to do this via email or telephone.

**Will my child continue to receive Free School Meal vouchers if they return to school?**

No, if your child returns to school and receives a school pack lunch they will no longer be entitled to the voucher scheme.

If you are entitled to the Free School Meal voucher scheme and choose to provide a packed lunch yourself, you will continue to be entitled to this funding.

If you choose not to send your child to school at this time, this provision will continue in the same way.

**What if I have a child in more than one year group, can I drop off and collect together?**

Yes. Please speak to the school office to arrange this to ensure teaching staff are aware of agreed arrangements.

**Is the school still providing lunches?**

The school kitchen will provide packed lunches to:

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 (Key Worker children) under the Universal Free School Meals.

All children entitled to Free School Meals.

All other children are required to provide a packed lunch from home.

\*Please order via the office email by Friday for the forthcoming week. Lunches cannot be ordered on a daily basis and the school office will not accept forgotten lunches as the school office remains closed.