



## CLEE HILL COMMUNITY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents,

Following the government announcement that school will open for all parents in September, I wanted to update parents on what this will look like in the autumn term as soon as possible so that parents/ carers can plan around this. As I am sure that you can imagine, this has been a difficult time for schools but we are proud to have remained open throughout for pupils of key workers and have been able to offer time in school to pupils from all year groups who initially requested this on the questionnaire. Staff have also completed monthly phone checks and set home school learning whilst teaching pupils. I am very proud of the way in which the staff at Clee Hill have risen to the challenge and worked throughout Easter and Half term to ensure that childcare provision was in place for key workers.

Here is are some commonly asked questions and answers for parents regarding school opening in September. The school risk assessment for Covid 19 can be found on the school website.

### Will breakfast Club and CHAMPs be running?

Yes. Normal service of breakfast club and CHAMPS will continue but the numbers may be restricted. We are waiting advice from the government re group sizes for wrap around care.

### What are the new school routines?

- There is a one way system for pick up and drop offs. There is signage in school. You walk down the path, around the pond, and but of the main school gates. Please supervise children closely as you do need to walk on the road by the school gate.
- Children must be brought and collected from school. Children will not be dismissed to walk home by themselves.
- There is a one way system in school. Children will have an induction to show them where to walk.
- Children will wash their hands as soon as they enter the school and at several points during the day.
- There are hand sanitiser stations around school for staff and pupils to use at any time.
- Children are encouraged to social distance but we understand that not all pupils are able to do this and this is dependent of their age and understanding,
- There will be no social distancing in classroom as class 'bubbles' are able to mix. However, we will encourage pupils to continue to distance, were possible, and avoid the sharing of some equipment.
- There will be no large gatherings including whole school assemblies

- Parents will not be allowed on site unless an agreed appointment has been made.

### Will there be staggered starts?

Yes. The government can advised staggered starts and ends to the day. If you are bringing siblings, then you can bring both children at the earlier time and collect both pupils at the later time. This is current practice in school already but please be patient with us in September as this will be complex with more pupils.

	Drop off	Collection
Nursery	9:00am	2:55pm
Class 1 & 2	8:50 am	3:05pm
Class 3,4 & 5	8:40am	3:15pm

For pupils who are attending wrap around care, drop offs and collections will be organised by the school.

### What about after school clubs?

Some clubs will run as usual but others will not. Recorder club for example is not currently allowed (all year groups and wind instrument) whereas Rotakids can (single year group and can social distance). A full list of clubs will be issued in September.

Guitar lessons will continue however, Brass lessons will need to be postponed temporarily. Mrs Disney will need to review the number of pupils in lessons and provide the school with a risk assessment as wind instruments require different risk management.

### Will children to taught the same curriculum subjects?

Yes. Forest schools, PE, art etc will all continue. However, there may be some changes which take place in lessons to reduce the risk of spread. Children will need their PE kits in school from the start of term as usual.

### Will the children be in school uniform?

Yes. Full school uniform including black shoes or trainers (black all over including the sole) are required for the start of term in September.

### What about lunch times?

Lunchtimes and breaktimes will be staggered and lunches are unlikely to be in the school hall. School dinners will be available in September but these are likely to be cold dinner initially until we are all able to use the school hall. There will be no change to Free School Meals and Universal Free School Meals who will continue to be provided with a dinner free of charge. Dinners can also be purchased through SQUID following the same system as before lockdown.

### What if my child is anxious?

The government is clear that all pupils will be returning o school unless they are shielded and their doctor has written a note for this period. If your child is anxious, then please phone the school to talk this through. The

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school has an Educated Welfare Officer who will support you and your child with their return to school. Below is the government link regarding school reopening to all years in September.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>