



PEAR TREE MEAD ACADEMY

HOME: SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Since 23rd March 2020, nurseries, schools and colleges have remained open to a priority group of children and young people, children of key workers and vulnerable children. In reviewing this arrangement and with regard to DfE and Local Authority guidance, it is now time to begin the phased return of children and young people to schools in a way that is measured, reduces risks and is guided by science.

Please be assured that in planning to welcome back more pupils into our school, the safety of your children has been at the forefront of our minds.

**Changes for a phased return from 1 June 2020.**

We will continue to offer places to the priority groups, vulnerable children and children of key workers as in the previous COVID-19 home school partnership agreement shared with you when lockdown commenced.

Along with other primary schools we are now able to welcome back children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6.

**PLEASE TICK EVERY BOX TO SHOW YOU HAVE READ AND AGREED**

**I understand that the following protective measures are in place:**

Statement	Please tick
Availability of soap and hot water for regular washing of hands, as well as the location and use of hand sanitiser stations	
A supply of disposable tissues to implement the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach in each classroom	
Teaching groups will be isolated from other groups of children as far as possible while they are in school, including breaks/lunches	
PPE will be worn by staff if social distancing is not possible i.e. when administering first aid, supporting reception children and intimate care when necessary, if a child shows any symptoms	
Staggered drop-off and pick-up times are in place so that everyone is able to social distance and not gather	

**I understand that the school will:**

Statement	Please tick
Continue to follow the safeguarding policies and procedures where concerns have been identified	
Keep in regular contact with parents/carers and ensure you are updated	



Modify the behaviour policy to include sanctions for any deliberate acts which directly go against government guidance, this may lead to children not being able to attend for an agreed period. These changes re-affirm our expectations and any sanctions we will be making when the expectations are not being met	
Contact parents/carers should their child become unwell	
Make decisions about what children will learn and how to help children to adapt to new school routines and restrictions	
Liaise with the local authority transport providers to understand the safety measures being used for travel to and from the school. We will be guided by them and will inform parents of any changes as and when appropriate	
Where there are pupils with education, health and care (EHC) plans, we will work with the local authority and other external partners to make reasonable endeavours to provide all or some of the provision written in an EHC plan. This may mean that the provision for a child may temporarily differ from what is set out in their EHC plan. This will be renewed on a regular basis.	

**What parents/carers need to do to support your children in the school:**

Statement	Please tick
Work with us to help bring your children back to school. Please communicate regularly with us if you choose to keep your child at home at any time during this phase of re-opening. If for any reason your child is unable to attend school, please notify through the usual procedure. We will be following up nonattendance.	
Ensure we have your most up-to-date emergency contact details. This is so that we have the most accurate information should there be a need to contact you	
Recognise and support the school in any adaptations or modifications which have been made to the school's behaviour policy – this includes adhering to all new procedures in line with government guidelines. I understand that if my child is not following policy, this could lead to them not being able to attend school for a fixed time.	
Understand that I must follow all hygiene regulations put in place by school leaders. You must carefully follow all the instructions for the staggered dropping off and collection of children for everyone's safety. You must also follow the distancing arrangements in place for dropping off and collecting children at the start and end of the day where gathering is not permitted	
Understand that these are challenging times and accept circumstances for providing education in school may vary and change quickly. Your child may not be taught by their usual teacher because of smaller class sizes and staff availability each day	
Ensure my child comes to school in clean clothes daily, that are suitable for working in the classroom as well as taking part in outdoor activities (this will be the child's own clothes, not uniform)	
Aware of the recommendations on using transport to and from school. If you can, avoid and reduce any unnecessary travel on coaches and public transport.	
Keep two metres away from other families waiting to come in and wait in the space outside the classroom (do not gather). Not enter the main reception waiting area unless it is empty. My child will enter the school alone through the main classroom door. I must wait outside the classroom and only one parent/carer should come to drop off or collect. I shall follow all signage on site.	



Understand that no parent/carer will be allowed beyond the office door or classroom door into the building.	
Not walk to school with other families or let your child walk with other children.	

**What children need to do:**

Statement	Please tick
Follow altered routines for arrival, leaving from school and moving around during the school day.	
Follow the school's rules on handwashing and using sanitiser, including the use of toilets. They must meet the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' expectations. They must tell an adult if they feel unwell.	
Follow the rules about sharing equipment and other items. Children in years 1 and 6 will be supplied with their own plastic wallet containing the required resources/equipment which they can personally use, they are not to share these.	
Follow adult instructions on who they can socialise with in class, at breaktimes and lunchtimes and where they can play	
Not share food or drink with others	
Follow the school's rules (behaviour policy) and expectations to keep them safe both in school and when working online remote learning	
Above all, all children should demonstrate their usual respectful behaviour towards each other and adults. They should try their best to ensure the health and safety of others by following the teacher's instructions to avoid unnecessary contact.	

**Health risks**

Statement	Please tick
I understand that the school and parents/carers need to undertake as stringent practice as possible to reduce the risks of transmission of the virus (and other illnesses).	
I understand that there may be possible contact with other children. The school is therefore unable to limit my child's social contact within their class group; however this will be minimised throughout the school.	
I understand that the adults working in the school will try to maintain common sense in terms of social distancing whilst working with the children; however, they are caring for the children and therefore may work closer than 2 metres with them.	
I understand that whilst the school will endeavour to regularly clean the areas used and will engage in frequent hand washing, we are unable to guarantee a virus-free school.	
I will ensure that my child has high levels of hygiene and cleanliness to reduce risk of transmission.	
I understand that the children will be issued with their own resource pack so that they are not sharing resources	
I understand that if there is a confirmed case in any group that all of the group and their family will have to self isolate	
I understand that if my child shows any symptoms that they will be sent home immediately and any siblings and that government guidance on isolation must be followed.	



### Personal items

Statement	Please tick
My children will come to school in clean clothes daily, that are suitable for working in the classroom as well as taking part in outdoor activities (this will be the child's own clothes, not uniform)	
My child can bring in a packed lunch in a secure, named lunchbox or order a school meal (cold packed lunch) as normal. Each child must bring in their own water bottles, clearly labelled with their name and class, <b>these are not to be shared. These are a necessity as no drinking implements will be supplied by the school.</b> If you would like to provide your child with a piece of fruit for snack, again, this must be in a sealed and labelled container. The containers/lunchboxes/water bottle should be washed thoroughly in hot soapy water every night or put through a dishwasher cycle.	
My child will not bring any items to the school from home with them except necessary medication (handed to member of staff on arrival) and their packed lunch/snack.	
I will regularly wash coats and bags to keep items as clean as possible.	

### Medication/Illness

Statement	Please tick
I will not bring my child to the school premises if they have any symptoms of coronavirus or if anyone in the household has symptoms. This includes a temperature or a cough. I will isolate my child and the whole household for 14 days if this is the case and will inform the school immediately.	
If my child has medication for asthma, allergies or other conditions, I will ensure that they have the medication with them every day in a sealed and labelled container. I understand that this medication will come home every day (in case the school has to close without notice). It is my responsibility to ensure that the medication is in date.	
I understand that if my child needs any other form of medication, I will need to complete a 'Medication Form' (available from the school office). Administration of medication will need to be agreed by the Headteacher / senior leader on the day	
I will inform the member of staff on arrival if I have given my child any medication e.g. Calpol, before they come to the school. However, this cannot be for a temperature as they must self isolate for 14 days if they have one.	
I understand that if my child becomes unwell during their time in the school, they will be immediately placed in isolation (in accordance with government guidance) and I will be contacted and asked to collect them as soon as possible, which does not mean when I have finished work). If I can't be reached, the other contacts given will be called. I understand that the school staff will not have to prove or justify their decision about a child's illness.	
I understand that if my child falls dangerously ill the staff will contact medical services as well as contacting me.	

At any time, we may need to change our decisions based on new government guidance as the current situation develops or based on our school context and the outcome of risk assessments. In response to any such change, we shall review, and revise policies implemented across the school.



If you have any concerns about your child/ren or they are displaying symptoms of stress or anxiety, please contact the school and follow Public Health England (PHE) advice.

**The welfare of our parents/carers, children and staff are of the utmost importance, especially in the current circumstances, therefore anyone not adhering to this agreement will be asked to leave or be collected from the premises immediately and no longer allowed to attend PTM.**

I have discussed this agreement with my child.

Name of child / children: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_