## **BACK TO SCHOOL**

Hooray! We are excited and we hope you are too but there are a few changes that we have had to make because of the virus Covid-19 (Corona virus). We thought we should share them with you so that you are aware how things might look different. The staff at school have been very busy following advice from the scientists about how we can try and make school safe and to stop any of us being ill.



The advice from scientists is that we need to reduce our social interactions with different people....so when we are at school we will be in our classroom groups that are called bubbles and separate from the other classes in school. This means we can mix with each other but not with other children and adults in school. Therefore we will not have the same break time or lunch or be having whole school assemblies.



The tables all face the front and not each other this is also to reduce infections.



We will need to sit at our own desks when we are in the classroom; you won't need to move around the room as all the resources will be on your table already.

Everyone should have a small pencil case from home that will stay in school in your drawer- you need a pencil, rubber, sharpener and if possible a black Frixion pen. We will give you a set of colouring pencils, glue, scissors, books, paper and all of the things you need to help you learn (these will be kept in your own drawers). I know normally we share, but at the moment we mustn't.

We will stay in the Year 5/6 area when we are in school and not go to any other areas of school.



Amethyst Class Bubble will only use the cloakroom toilets and wash our hands in the sinks here too.





There will be an outside space for each class bubble to use during break, lunch and P.E.

Amethyst and Pearl will be outside at the same time (10.45am, 12.30pm and 2.30pm) so you can see each other but you have to stay in your bubble zone.

There are markings across the playground and field splitting the area in half.

Your packed lunch (or school dinner) will be eaten in the classroom.

You will have equipment just for the class that you can use to play with each other outside. We will wash our hands when we go out and when we come in.

Don't forget a snack for morning break as there will be no toastremember it must be healthy and not nuts!





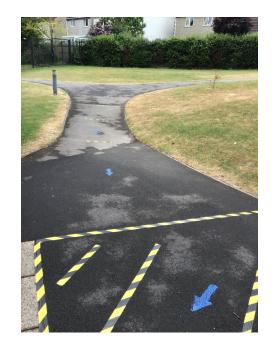
Scientists have said that washing hands is one of the best ways to stop the spread of the virus, therefore we will be doing it regularly through out the day! Please also wash your hands before coming to school.



In at the goose gate

It is important that we all <u>arrive on time</u> and follow the one way system to come into school. You must arrive and leave at the time you are given.

Amethyst class you will follow the arrows on the path to the office. We will meet you and let you in one at a time to sanitise your hands and get ready for the day. You are starting at 9.15am and leaving at 3.30pm. Please don't arrive early or late (this is to avoid contamination with other bubbles).



You are going to be wearing school uniform. Please come to school in your P.E kit on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## Please bring:

- Water bottle
- Coat (depending on the weather)
- Sun hat
- A SMALL pencil case with pencil, pen, rubber and sharpener in that can be left at school in your drawer. The simple plastic zip ones are the best.
- Lunchbox

 Reading book which can be changed on Fridays if you have finished it.





## It is going to be really exciting to see each other but it is essential that we try as much as possible to keep our distance.





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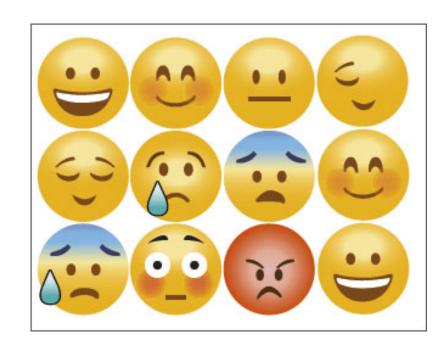


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You have been at home with your family for a long time now so you might have lots of mixed feelings inside about coming back to school. We will talk about this and there will be opportunity to reflect on some of the unusual events of the past months and also prepare for the next few months too!



We can still talk to each other even if we have to be socially distant!



See you soon!
Mrs Brooks, Mrs Gee,
Mrs Sutherland and Mrs Rees.