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Queen's Croft High School
Return to School
Information for Parents & Carers

June 2020

Who will be returning?

Since the start of lockdown we have been supporting the children of Key Workers and our most vulnerable children and we will continue to do so. During this next phase, children who have an allocated social worker will be prioritised.

We have been working hard to try to identify safe ways in which we can increase the number of our most vulnerable children in school and have carried out lengthy risk assessment work.

Whilst this could mean that there are more students in school from 22nd June, it is unlikely that there will be any return to school this side of the summer holidays for the majority of students.

How will it work in school?

We will be operating a series of pods in school. This is to ensure we have a safe number of children for the capacity of our site. Each pod will have at least two members of staff. The staff and the children in each pod will remain the same.

Key worker pods will run for the full period 9am to 3.15pm. Other pods are in school for a four hour block.

Entry point A is the corner door of the hall.

Entry point B is the side gate.

Entry point C is the overflow car park.

Pod staff will meet their students at the appropriate entry point and escort them to their assigned rooms.

The arrival and departure times for pods are as follows:

Pod	Arrival Time	Departure Time	Base Room	Entry Point
A	9.30am	1.30pm	22	A
B	9.00am	3.15pm	2	A
C	9.30am	1.30pm	22	A
D	9.30am	1.30pm	5	C
E	10.00am	2.00pm	6	C
F	9.30am	1.30pm	7	B
G	10.00pm	2.00pm	14	B
H	9.00am	3.15pm	15	C
I	9.00am	3.15pm	16	B

It is very important that you arrive and pick up at your designated times to ensure safe movement around the site and ensure that there is sufficient time to implement our stringent cleaning procedures.

On arrival in school your child will have their temperature taken and at set times throughout their session.

Pods

Following government guidelines, we intend to keep the same children with the same staff at all times.

Children will stay in their classroom. This means:

- The children will have lessons and eat in their rooms
- They will not meet together in the hall
- They will have breaks outside in their pods and will not mix with other pods.

If a child is injured or unwell, they will be seen by a first aider. A child that needs to go home will be taken to a separate room with a member of staff until they are collected. Our trained first aiders will be wearing PPE equipment. If your child has symptoms of COVID-19 we will ask you to take your child to have a COVID-19 test. In the event of a positive test, ALL children and staff in that group will be asked to self-isolate for 14 days.

What will my child need to wear?

Children are not required to wear school uniform but wear clean clothes each day.

What will my child need to bring to school?

Children need to bring in a waterproof coat, packed lunch and filled water bottle.

Please do not send your child with any personal items.

What if I am worried about my child returning to school?

If you have any worries or questions, please let us know as soon as possible. We are here to support our families.

How can I support my child get ready to come back to school?

Preparing Your Child For the First Day Back in School

As schools begin to open to more children, parents and children may well be feeling anxious. Here's some ideas of how best to prepare.

Be Calm.

Your child will take their lead from you and be reassured if you are steady and matter of fact.



Be Curious.

These are strange times and their imagination may run away with them. Listen, and try not to dismiss or minimise their fears but validate how they are feeling – “it’s completely fine to feel like that at the moment” or ‘I can really understand why you would feel like that’



Be Positive.

Remind them of all the ways they have learnt to keep themselves safe: washing their hands regularly, sneezing and coughing into their elbow, not hugging others and staying in their own space.



Be Thankful.

Help your child think of things they are looking forward to: being with their friends, seeing their teacher, favourite activities but be mindful some of these may not be available for them



Be Supportive

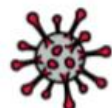
Younger children particularly may struggle with separation anxiety and may become tearful, clingy or act out. Reassure them that you will miss them too and think of them through out the day. It might be helpful to draw a little heart on their wrist and one on yours too. You can call it the hug button and when they find they are missing you they can press the heart and know that you will be doing the same at home. Sometimes having a little object to remind them of you through the day helps but please check this out with your school first.



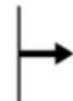
Be Prepared.

Support your child to be aware of changes that may have happened to their classroom environment since they were there last and rehearse any new routines that school may have shared. Rehearse and practice your ‘goodbye’ routine and create a ‘hello’ greeting for the end of the day for them to look forward to.

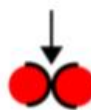




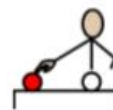
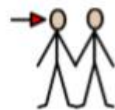
Many of you will know about or heard about the Coronavirus.



It's a virus like a cough, cold or the flu. It is from one



person to another person by touching hands . Some adults are



worried when they see it on TV that is because



when people get sick some people have difficulties .



You will be ok , the adults who look after you will

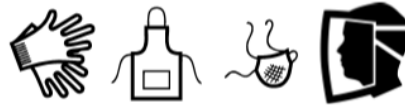


keep you safe . The adults at Queenscroft will keep



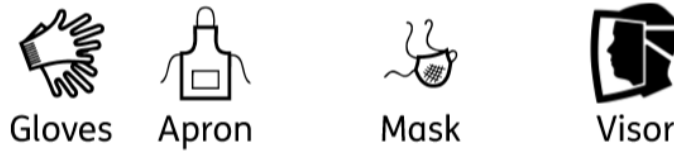
you safe too.

Over the coming days, the pod staff will be in touch with you to support your child transition back into school. Please look out for a letter from them and communication about a Microsoft Teams meeting.



Protective Clothing

|? → is a virus going around, staff might wear:



It is OK if staff have to wear protective clothing.

Protective clothing keeps everyone healthy and safe.

If you have any questions, you can talk to staff.

What will my child be doing in school?

We have lots of things to do. In the first few sessions, staff will be supporting the transition into school and giving the children an opportunity to talk about what has happened and share their experiences. Depending on the needs of the class this may be for a few sessions or for the rest of term. We will be focusing on the children's wellbeing. Our children are experiencing huge changes and school will be a very different place than the one they left in March. We want our children to be happy and comfortable in school and it will take time to get back on track.

Please use the survey tool link to share any important information that the pod staff need to know. You may not be able to come into school at the moment but please pick up the phone or email us if you need to.



Supporting your child with good hygiene

We are asking that all parents and carers talk again to their children about handwashing. There is a video link below and a visual guide.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>



HM Government



Coronavirus

Wash your hands with soap and water more often for 20 seconds

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Palm to palm
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The backs of hands
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In between the fingers
- 

The back of the fingers
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The thumbs
- 

The tips of the fingers

Use a tissue to turn off the tap.
Dry hands thoroughly.

STAY ALERT ▶ CONTROL THE VIRUS ▶ SAVE LIVES

Home school agreement

Before your child can return to school, please complete the Home School agreement. You have been emailed a link, alternatively you can complete this form.

Home School agreement

1.Student name

2.Name of person with parental responsibility completing this form

3.If anyone in my household has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus; • a high temperature • a new, continuous cough • a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste I will contact the school and follow the current government guidance.

- Agree
- Disagree

4.If my child shows symptoms of COVID-19 at school, I will collect my child from school immediately. I will get them tested and I will let school know as soon as possible via telephone.

- Agree
- Disagree

5.I will inform the school if anyone in the household has a COVID-19 test or is contacted by the Track and Trace System

- Agree
- Disagree

6.I understand that my child will not be required to wear a face covering as outlined in the government guidance

- Agree
- Disagree

7.I will provide my child with a waterproof coat, packed lunch and a drink.

- Agreee
- Disagree

8.I understand that my child cannot bring in any personal items into school.

- Agree
- Disagree

9.I will strictly follow the specific drop off and pick up times for my child. At these times I will strictly adhere to the 2m social distancing rules and understand that I am not allowed into school.

- Agree
- Disagree

10.I will read all emails/messages/letters that are sent home and I will inform the school of an changes to my contact details and emergency contact details.

- Agree
- Disagree

11.I understand that if any member of my child's pod displays any symptoms of COVID-19, I will need to collect my child and self-isolate for 14 days or until a negative COVID-19 test result is received.

- Agree
- Disagree