

FAQs from Lock Down Survey (Pupil Voice)

Question: [How will the school support and refocus our children in September?](#)

Answer: We understand that some parents will be feeling anxious about this and we have anticipated that the work covered during lock down may be covered with greater and lesser success, depending on personal circumstances. Please don't worry. The school's focus will be on offering a 'Recovery Curriculum' which acknowledges that many children will have experienced difficulties such as not being able to spend time with friends and family, a loss of routine and stability during lockdown. The focus will be on supporting the children to find their voice and make sense of their experience of lockdown, re-establish friendships with peers and relationships with staff before they are in the right place to learn. The Recovery Curriculum will ensure that we focus on creative and active lessons, with foundation subjects such as Art, Music and PE being woven in across areas of learning. Children's emotional wellbeing and stability will be at the core of our work, particularly in the autumn term.

Question: [My child might need extra help with her work as she found the work during lock down quite challenging. Will she receive extra help with English and Maths?](#)

Answer: We will be reviewing work covered before moving on with new learning. Teachers will ensure that all children receive appropriate support during lessons. Please speak to your child's class teacher if there are any specific concerns.

Question: [My child only attended 2 days/didn't attend school during lockdown. Can my child have extra homework to cover any work she has missed?](#)

Answer: We anticipate that there will be gaps in learning for most children, and this will be common across all schools. Please bear in mind that the children will need to settle back first. Once the children are back on track, if any additional support is needed, your child's teacher will speak to you then. We will be able to provide a clearer picture of where your child is in their learning, at our first parents' consultation in October.

Question: [I don't know what to put in my pencil case.](#)

Answer: Only Year 1 and 2 children will need to bring a pencil case. You will need 2 sharp writing pencils, a rubber, a pencil sharpener that stores pencil sharpenings, colouring pencils, a ruler, scissors and a glue stick. No felt tip pens please. Everything must be named.

Question: [We are anxious about sending our child back into school. The rule "If a child is tested positive with COVID-19, the whole class bubble will be sent home and asked to self-isolate, and continue with home schooling" is not the greatest solution. Many parents are working and cannot provide childcare.](#)

Answer: We completely agree. This is however, the guidance from the DfE and from the Local Authority's Health and Safety team. As a community school, we follow the guidance given to protect the health and wellbeing of our children and staff. If a child is tested positive, the government advice is that all other children and staff in the same class bubble must self-isolate for 14 days. We have sought advice to clarify whether the other children in the class can get tested straight away to reduce the number of days they have to self-isolate.

The current understanding is that we have to wait 14 days for symptoms to appear before the test will be effective. We will update you once we are clearer.

Question: [Can we still have Bug Club? We've really enjoyed it.](#)

Answer: Yes, we have paid for another year for the whole school.

Question: [Will my child be wearing a mask or shield?](#)

Answer: No, the government guidance is that children do not wear masks in school. If your child has underlying health conditions and there are particular concerns, please ask to speak to Mrs Docwra or Mrs Yay-Walker to talk through an individual risk assessment and arrangements for your child. There are a number of other measures we are taking to support social distancing at school. Please see the letter sent out to all parents on 25.8.20. It can also be found on our website here: [Latest News](#)

Question: [Will you take temperature checks every morning?](#)

Answer: No, the latest government guidance is that temperatures are the last symptoms to come out and schools should no longer take temperature checks. Please see the letter of 25.8.20 which is also on our website - see above link.