



Plan for Full Opening of Eversley Primary School on 8th March 2021

Please find below information on the measures and systems that are being put in place for the return of all children to Eversley Primary School in September. This should be read in conjunction with the 'Addendum to Eversley Primary School Behaviour Policy' and 'Home/School Partnership Agreement following full opening in March 2021'

Please note, that these are the systems and controls that were in place from September 2021, with a few minor alterations. Please read this to re-familiarise yourself and your child for arrangements in school for when we return on Monday 8th March.

Bubbles

Following current government guidelines:

- Each class will be treated as a bubble, with the exception of Reception and Year 6 where the spaces and classroom accommodation mean the year group will be treated as a bubble – the adults and the children within this bubble will remain the same each day, including regular cover staff (except in the case of emergency sickness cover)
- Different bubbles/classes will not be mixing. To facilitate this:
 - we will be operating staggered starting and ending times (see below)
 - we will hold staggered breaks and lunchtimes with children only being outside with children from their own bubble
 - Reception children will eat their lunch in the hall, and all other classes will eat their lunch in their classroom
 - classes will have their own toilets that only children within this bubble use
 - children will not move around the school but stay within their bubble
 - assemblies will be class-based and delivered to the whole school through web-based platforms
 - we will be unable to offer our standard before-school (Breakfast Club and Early Morning Club) or after-school clubs. We are reviewing this position regularly and will re-introduce them as soon as it safe to do so.

The purpose of keeping children in bubbles is that should a positive case occur within the bubble, and it is necessary for children to self-isolate, only the bubble, not the whole school will need to do so.

Staggered Starting and Ending Times

To support social distancing, the following timings and locations for entering and exiting school will be in place. Please note that parents will not be allowed to enter the site. Families will need to line up outside the school gate, observing social distancing, until a member of staff collects them.

Where families have more than one child at Eversley, if no other arrangements can be made, all children can arrive at the time and location of the child who has the earliest start time. The older children will take themselves round to their own classroom to wait for the rest of their class to arrive.

For home time, in exceptional circumstances, siblings can leave at the same time as the latest end time. Older children will need to collect younger siblings that are in their own classroom, who will have stayed behind waiting. We are hoping that this will only apply to a few families who have no alternative. Parents can arrange with the school for older siblings to walk home, so they are only required to collect younger children.

Timings for the start and the end of the day are as laid out in the table below:

Starting Times

Class	Front Gate	Back Gate
RD	08:30-08:40	
RP	08:30-08:40	
1N	08:45-08:55	
1W	08:45-08:55	
2D		08:30-08:40
2K		08:30-08:40
3C		08:45-08:55
3E		08:45-08:55
4B		09:00-09:10
4L		09:00-09:10
5B	09:00-09:10	
5F	09:00-09:10	
6A		09:15-09:25
6E		09:15-09:25

Ending Times

Class	Front Gate	Back Gate
RD	14:30	
RP	14:35	
1N	14:45	
1W	14:50	
2D		14:30
2K		14:35
3C		14:45
3E		14:50
4B		15:00
4L		15:05
5B	15:00	
5F	15:05	
6A		15:15
6E		15:20

The Front Gate is the gate by the turning circle outside the front of school.

The Back Gate is the gate leading from the Eversley Leisure Centre car park.

- Parents should contact the school by telephone (01268 555333) or email (admin@eversley.essex.sch.uk) if they wish to contact a member of staff. Visits onto the premises are by appointment only.
- Please make every effort to arrive to drop off and collect your child within your allotted time. If you miss your allotted time you will need to wait until all other children have arrived/left.

Social distancing and Health & Safety measures

Following current government guidelines, children will:

- Not be expected to have taken a test before attending school. These guidelines do not apply to primary schools.
- Wash their hands with soap and water or hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day – on arrival in school, before and after break time and lunchtime and before going home;
- With the exception of Reception and Year 1, be seated at desks facing the front of the room (desks will not be set out facing each other);
- Not be required to follow the 2m or 1m+ rule (following government guidelines for schools) but will be encouraged to not have physical contact with other people or touch other people's belongings
- Have their own stationery items that only they can use, which will be provided by school;
- Can only bring into school essential items – a coat, a water bottle, a book bag and a lunch box (if having home packed lunches);
- Children can choose to wear a facemask if they wish to do so. The majority of staff will not be wearing face masks in the classroom, in line with government guidance;
- Windows and doors will be open to allow for circulation of air in the classrooms. If children need to wear additional layers of clothing this is permitted;
- Classrooms, desks and regular contact points such as light switches, door handles etc. will be cleaned regularly throughout the day and after school. Children will be taught and encouraged to clean their own work spaces and equipment;
- Use of resources and equipment in school will be minimised, but where this is not possible, regular cleaning of resources and equipment will take place.

Learning

Many of you, we know, are concerned that your child's learning has been disrupted. We want to reassure you that as we did in September, we will work on addressing the learning that they may have missed and supporting them as they start return to school. Our teachers are trained to do this and are used to doing this as part of their daily teaching practice with individual children, and they will do their very best in helping your child catch up when they return.

We will continue to offer each year group a broad curriculum of all curriculum subjects. Greater focus will be paid to core skills such as reading, writing, counting and number facts. When teaching English and maths, teachers will provide opportunities to revisit some of the work covered in home learning as they teach children the learning for this current year.

We will also be working with children on a range of personal and emotional learning that will help children to reflect on these past few months and look towards their return Eversley.

We recognise that some children and parents will feel anxious about returning to school. We will work with children in class to support them as they reintegrate into school life. If you have any particular concerns about your child returning to school, please contact the school via the School Office.

School Uniform

When children return to school in March, please send them in correct full school uniform, including plain black (no white soles or logos), sensible school shoes.

We will be doing PE lessons when school re-opens, therefore children in Reception and in Years 1-4 should bring in PE kits on their first day, to be hung up on their pegs. PE kits will be sent home at the end of this term for washing. Children in Year 5 and Year 6 can come to school in their PE kits on their PE days.

Attendance

The government has stated that all pupils are expected to return to school from Monday 8th March. If you have any concerns about your child returning to school, then please contact the School Office.

Preparation for future lockdowns

Should there be the need for a further national lockdown or a local lockdown, or if a class is required to isolate due a positive coronavirus case, Eversley will continue to provide resources for home-learning in the way that we have since January 2021.