



Blended 2 Day in School Model (Contingency Plan)

Information for Parents about what school will look like in August if the Contingency Plan is needed.

You should have received a text telling you which 2 days your child will be in school and their start and end time. On these 2 days they will be in their own classroom and with their teacher and half of the class will be in at the same time. Please keep this information safe in case this model has to be followed. This information below is based on national and local guidance and a risk assessment. Please can you talk to your child about this to help them have a positive transition back into school. Thank you.

What should children bring to school?

- They **only** need to bring with them a filled water bottle (water fountains will not be in use), healthy snack and packed lunch if they are not having school lunches and in a plastic lunch box if you can so it can be cleaned down easily. With this model, school lunches will be packed lunches in the classroom bubbles. Until we can issue the 3 week lunch menu we may have to ask children each day what they want for lunch.
- They should wear school uniform as normal and they should not bring PE kits. They will need soft indoor shoes to change into when in school. They should also bring a coat with them every day as they will be outside as much as they can. Please remember and name your child's belongings. They do not need to bring pencils etc as each child will be given a bag with all their resources in them to use (pencil, scissors, glue, rubber, crayons etc)
- No school bags are needed.

When does school start and finish?

- There will be 2 drop off and pick up times as we can't have everyone arriving at the same time. These times must be followed and no one should be late dropping off or picking up.
- If your child gets dropped off at 8.45 then they are collected at 2.45
- If your child gets dropped off at 9am then they are collected at 3pm.
- Each family has been notified of their drop off and pick up times
- Parents and children as much as possible are encouraged to walk to school but if you have to drive, please park cars away from each other in the car park as much as you can and use alternative parking arrangements. Please just come in time for your allocated times and don't come any earlier.

- There will be staff in the car park and at the pupil gate. They will guide the children in to the playground. Pupils should be encouraged to come into the playground themselves. Parents will only be allowed to accompany their child into the playground if their child is distressed and needs support.
- No parents will unfortunately be allowed to hang around the car park or playground before or after drop off/pick up.
- The teacher will meet the children at the classroom door. Children will use this door to exit and enter the classroom.
- You will be asked to let us know who will collect your child and if your child will be picking up a younger sibling to take home or whether they are to walk home themselves.
- At **pick up** if you are collecting, you can come into the playground and you will be asked to stand at markers 2m away from each other in front of the pupil door of your child's classroom. Your children will come out to you. There should be no hanging around in the playground. All children and adults will be asked to leave the playground as quickly as they can taking account of social distancing.

What will the classrooms look like?

- Each child will have a table and all tables will be 2m apart.
- 2m social distancing will be followed in the school
- There will be between 9-11 children in each room at a time and each class is called a bubble. Children will stay in these same bubbles on these 2 days
- Children will be washing their hands frequently as before lockdown. If children need their own soap please send this with your child. This has to stay in school and not be taken backwards and forwards.
- There will be cleaning done constantly throughout the day in the class and across the school by members of staff.
- There are no plans at this stage for people to wear masks.

What will learning look like when in school?

- Work will focus on their learning community work and on Literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing.
- We are aware that every child will feel different about being back in school, many will be really excited and many will be anxious and worried about lots of things.
- We will support all the children to reduce these worries and we will communicate with parents about this if needed.

- We are aware that everyone will have had different experiences over the last 3 months so we will use this time to get to know the children and assess where they are with their learning.
- The usual transition information will be passed to their new teacher from their current teacher and information will be shared about learning during the home learning period. We will use the inservice days to plan together.

What will break and lunchtime arrangements be?

- There will be staggered playtimes and lunchtimes as necessary
- Bubbles will stay together in the playground and will have an allocated section of the playground. The bubbles may rotate round these areas every day.
- Arrangements may depend on the weather
- Social distancing will be encouraged
- Limited play equipment will be used and will be cleaned after use.

How do I talk to a member of staff?

- No parents are allowed in the school
- Contact staff by phoning the school or emailing the school and someone will get back in touch with you.
- You can pass on any small pieces of information to the staff in the car park, at the gate or at the door if necessary.

Parents who have concerns about their children returning to school due to family members shielding or being in a high risk group

- If you think this may be the case please speak to Mrs Watson

Medical Concerns

- If your child or one of your family members displays symptoms of COVID then your children should not come to school and you should notify us immediately

Toileting

- There will be systems put in place for the use of the toilets and for the children to know when the toilets are free. This will be explained to the children when they are in school.

What home learning will my children be doing on the other 2 days?

- This has still not been fully agreed but work for the 2 days will be discussed in class before they leave school so that all children know what to do. There will be an element of paper based work sent home, some work may still be online, on teams and may also be emailed.

What work will they have for the 5th Flexible learning day?

- At the moment work for this day will be based around themes and around the other curriculum areas. This work is being created centrally and we will tell you how you can access this if necessary.

All of these systems will be reviewed daily and will be changed as necessary to ensure that the children and staff are safe and happy at Cargenbridge.

If you wish to ask anything then please get in touch via the usual channels. We will keep you updated as things change.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Watson