



**Education Resources**  
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St. Elizabeth's Primary School and Nursery

### **Return to Nursery Information Letter – Wed 5th August 2020**

Dear Parents and Families, Boys and Girls,

First of all the staff and I hope you have all been keeping well and enjoying the summer break as much as you can. We have missed you all so much and are looking forward to seeing you next week.

As you will be aware, the formal decision to return to full time education was announced on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July by the Depute First Minister. This letter outlines key information regarding what measures will be in place for our nursery children and families.

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

Our returning children will be in nursery from 9.30am-12.00pm on Wednesday and Thursday. On the Friday we will extend this time to include our lunch system and the children will be in nursery until 1.00pm. You are welcome to start arriving at nursery from 9.00am on all of these days.

From Monday 17<sup>th</sup>, the normal nursery hours will begin for our returning children. During this week, we will also contact our new families to agree a start date with them.

#### **Groupings**

The children will be grouped in learning bubbles and to begin with we will have 4 of these in our 3-5 room – Blue, Red, Green and Orange – and 1 in our 2-3 room which will be Purple. Staff will be assigned to each bubble and will remain with their bubble throughout the nursery day. You will shortly receive a text telling you the group your child will be in.

#### **Entering our Nursery**

There will be clear entrances and exits for each group to help with the social distancing guidelines for adults and staff will be on hand to guide you all on the first few days. We have designated various entrances for particular groups to help minimise the flow of adults and children. Our staff will direct you to the door that is to be used by your child for entering our nursery building. We ask that only one adult accompanies each child and staff will be on hand to help your child in to nursery.

In line with guidance, parents are not able to enter the building at this stage but we are hoping to create a small outdoor seating area for your convenience should you require this. We know this is a big deal for the children and we would like to reassure you we will all do everything we can to help them settle back in as smoothly as possible. Once they are in nursery, we are happy to phone you to let you know how they are doing.

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### **Snack/Lunch**

Snack will be provided as normal and the children will have their lunch provided as it has been. An updated menu will be available on the App.

### **Clothes/Bags**

The children should come to nursery wearing suitable outdoor jacket and shoes as they will be continually using our outdoor areas throughout the day. They will not need a change of shoes for indoor use.

Every child will need a bag with a change of clothes and this requires to be as small as possible please. No toys, books, etc should be brought from home.

### **Leaving our Nursery**

When it is time to collect your child from nursery, you will be asked to wait in a particular area, adhering to the social distancing guidelines. Staff will bring their bubble of children out of the nursery to the set area for them to be collected. We would appreciate you sharing this information with other family members who may be dropping off/collecting your child. As there will no longer be a sign-in sheet, we ask that for the time being any changes regarding your child's collection will need to be telephoned or emailed in to us.

For your information, our nursery phone number is 01698 286270 and our nursery office email is [gw18steliznuoffice@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw18steliznuoffice@glow.sch.uk)

As we progress over the coming days and weeks, we will of course keep you as updated as possible with further information. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us. You can contact myself on [gw14stlizpsht@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw14stlizpsht@glow.sch.uk) or Gillian on [gw14hartgillian@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw14hartgillian@glow.sch.uk)

In the meantime, stay safe and we'll see you soon.

Best wishes to everyone

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