



Woodhead Primary School

Back to School Information

August 2021

Scotland moved to 'Beyond Level 0' on Monday 9th August 2021 with many of the Covid restrictions removed. However, Scottish Government have kept tighter restrictions for school in place for a period of at least 6 weeks.

You can read the full COVID Guidance for Schools at <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-reducing-the-risks-in-schools/pages/overview/>

This document provides information specific to Woodhead Primary School about coming back to school in August 2021 for P1-7 pupils.

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All information is correct at the time of writing (10th August 2021). Any changes or updates will be emailed and shared via Twitter/School Blog.

Section 1: Covid Symptoms

As before, children who display any of the following symptoms of COVID-19 should not attend school and are advised to take a PCR test.

The most common symptoms are:

- new continuous cough
- fever/high temperature (37.8c or greater)
- loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste (anosmia)

A new continuous cough is where you:

- have a new cough that's lasted for an hour
- have had 3 or more episodes of coughing in 24 hours
- are coughing more than usual

Parents/carers should follow the most up-to-date advice regarding testing and self-isolation available on NHS Inform website:

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19>

Section 2: COVID-Secure Arrangements at Woodhead

In line with Scottish Government advice, the following mitigations will remain in place for at least 6 weeks:

- One way system in the playground for collection and drop-off of pupils (See Section 6)
- Mandatory wearing of face coverings for parents/carers in all areas of the school grounds (unless medically exempt).
- A limit of one parent per household permitted to come into the playground for drop-off and collection.
- Parents/Carers to maintain at least 1m distance from other households.
- Parents/Carers not permitted to enter the school building (except at HT's discretion for transition/ASN purposes).
- No access to the playground for pupils/parents before 8.45am and 2.45pm
- Soft-entry for P1-7 pupils from 8.45am-9am
- Entry to classrooms for P1-7 pupils via their dedicated doors (See Section 6).
- Separate playtimes and lunchtimes to reduce large gatherings in communal dining spaces.
- Separate areas for packed lunches and school dinners to reduce large gatherings in communal dining spaces.
- No large gatherings e.g. assemblies, discos etc.
- No toys permitted from home (unless agreed by HT for ASN purposes)

Previous restrictions that are no longer required.

- Classes are no longer required to maintain strict 'bubbles' as schools will be less involved in Track and Trace activities.
- Children under 12 are no longer required to wear face coverings on school transport. (NB Private providers may operate their own mitigations).
- Books/jotters returned to school from home no longer need to be quarantined for 72 hours.

Section 3: First Day Arrangements (P2-7 Pupils)

Pupils should arrive between 8.45am and 9am. They should proceed straight to their class via the designated door (See Section 6).

Videos showing each class door can be viewed at

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/woodheadprimary/?p=3704>

Members of staff will be stationed around the school playground and in the corridors to guide children to their classroom.

(The gate will be opened at 8.40am to allow nursery pupils to enter for the 8.45am drop-off. P1-7 will not be permitted to enter the grounds until 8.45am. Please avoid any queues forming at the gate by not arriving before this time.)

Pupils will be dismissed from the same door at 3pm.

Only one parent/carer per family should attend for drop-off/collection.

Section 4: First Day Arrangements (P1 Pupils)

Pupils should arrive as close as possible to the starting time indicated on the class letter issued in June. Please do not arrive at a different time from that stated in the letter.

(P1 parents dropping off older children at the school for 9am are permitted to wait in the playground with their P1 child until their starting time.)

Only one parent/carer per family should attend for drop-off/collection. However, on the first day only, P1 may be accompanied in the morning by 2 parents/carers from the same household.

Children should proceed to the classroom door (See Section 6) where they will be met by a member of staff. Parents will not be able to come into the classroom with their child.

Videos showing each class door can be viewed at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/woodheadprimary/?p=3704>

Once your child has gone inside, we ask that you do not wait. School staff will take some photographs of the children in class and share these online as soon as possible.

P1 pupils can be collected from their classroom door at 2.50pm on the first day. Please stand well back from the classroom door to allow the teacher to see each parent.

Children will be dismissed one at a time to allow the teachers to ensure the children have been collected safely.

Section 5: Arrangements from Tuesday 17th August 2021

From Tuesday 17th August 2021, all pupils (including P1) should arrive between 8.45am and 9am. They should proceed straight into the building via their designated door (See Section 6).

Members of staff will be stationed around the school playground and in the corridors to guide children to their classroom.

(The gate will be opened at 8.40am to allow nursery pupils to enter for the 8.45am drop-off. P1-7 will not be permitted to enter the grounds until 8.45am. Please avoid any queues forming at the gate by not arriving before this time.)

Pupils (including P1) will be dismissed from the same door at 3pm. **Only one parent/carer per family should attend for drop-off/collection.**

Please ensure that your child/children know the arrangements for meeting you or their siblings at the end of the day.

Please consider allowing older children to walk themselves or to meet you outside the school grounds to reduce the number of people in the playground.

You must inform us if your child is travelling to/from school by School Transport or a Private Childcare Provider

Section 6: Additional Information and FAQs

Break/Lunch Arrangements

Morning Break:

P2, P2/3, P4/5, P5, P5/6, P7a and P7b:	10.20am-10.35am
P1a, P1b, P1/2, P3, P4, P6a and P6b:	10.45am-11am

Lunchtime:

P2, P2/3, P4/5, P5, P5/6, P7a and P7b:	12.10am-12.55pm
P1a, P1b, P1/2, P3, P4, P6a and P6b:	12.40am-1.25pm

There will be a designated area of the playground for infant, junior and senior pupils at each break. Within these areas, children from different classes will be able to play together as we are no longer required to maintain bubbles.

Breakfast Club

It is hoped that Breakfast Club will be able to restart very soon. In the meantime, Toast to Go will be available to P2-7 pupils from Monday 16th August 2021 and for P1 pupils from Tuesday 17th August 2021.

Toast is available free of charge for P1-7 pupils between 8.45am and 9am from the exterior gym hall doors beside the Torhead stairs.

School Uniform

School uniform should be worn, and it is recommended that this is laundered frequently to comply with COVID-19 guidelines.

If you need help with any items of uniform, please get in touch. We have some new and pre-loved uniform available.

We gratefully receive any donations of unneeded uniform. These should be laundered and placed in a carrier bag when being handed in.

Details of our School Uniform Dress Code is available at:

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/woodheadprimary/?page_id=62

A reminder that jumpers/cardigans should be grey, not green or black.

School Lunch Menu

The menu from 16th August 2021 is Week 2.

You can download the lunch menu at

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/public/woodheadprimary/uploads/sites/9618/2021/05/03104943/SchoolLunchesSummer2021.pdf>

A revised menu will be introduced on Monday 23rd August 2021.

Pupils in P1-4 are eligible for a free school meal. P2-7 pupils pre-order their lunch each morning in class.

P1 parents should pre-order their child's lunch choice for 16th-20th August by 8am on Monday 16th August 2021 using this link.

<https://forms.gle/UwiecTkDXNUqRZBN6>

Lunch Areas

For at least six weeks, school lunches will continue be served in the dining hall and packed lunches will be eaten in the gym hall

Milk

P1-7 children eligible for means tested free school meal will be provided with the option of milk each day. This does not need to be pre-ordered.

Milk will be available to order via ParentPay for Pupils in P2-7 from 16th August 2021 and for any P1 pupils already registered for Parent Pay.

ParentPay set up letters for P1 pupils and new pupils will be issued ASAP and milk can be ordered as soon as your account is registered.

Once you have paid for milk, you must book it for the days required.

PE Kit

PE lessons will continue outdoors for now while the hall is used for packed lunches. Children are required to come to school wearing appropriate outdoor PE clothing on their PE days as the changing rooms remain out of use.

Please note, PE clothing should be plain black or grey bottoms suitable for outdoor activity worn with school PE t-shirt or polo shirt with sweatshirt or a plain grey top.

Branded/designer clothing which was 'permissible' last term is no longer permitted.

We will confirm PE days as soon as possible.

No classes will require PE kit on Monday 16th August 2021.

Homework

There will be no formal homework issued for the first two weeks of term. This is to allow children's access to Google Classrooms to be set up for their new class.

Our Guidance on Homework will be updated and reissued in time for homework to begin from Monday 30th August 2021.

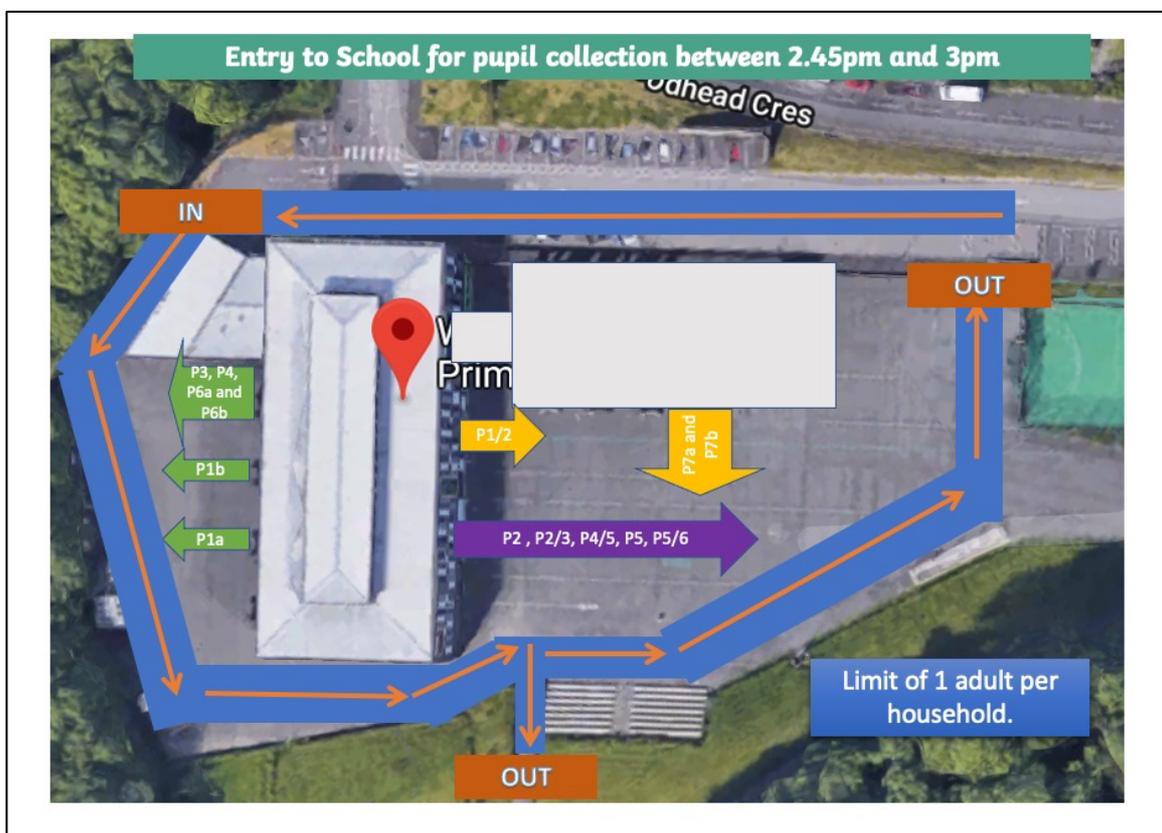
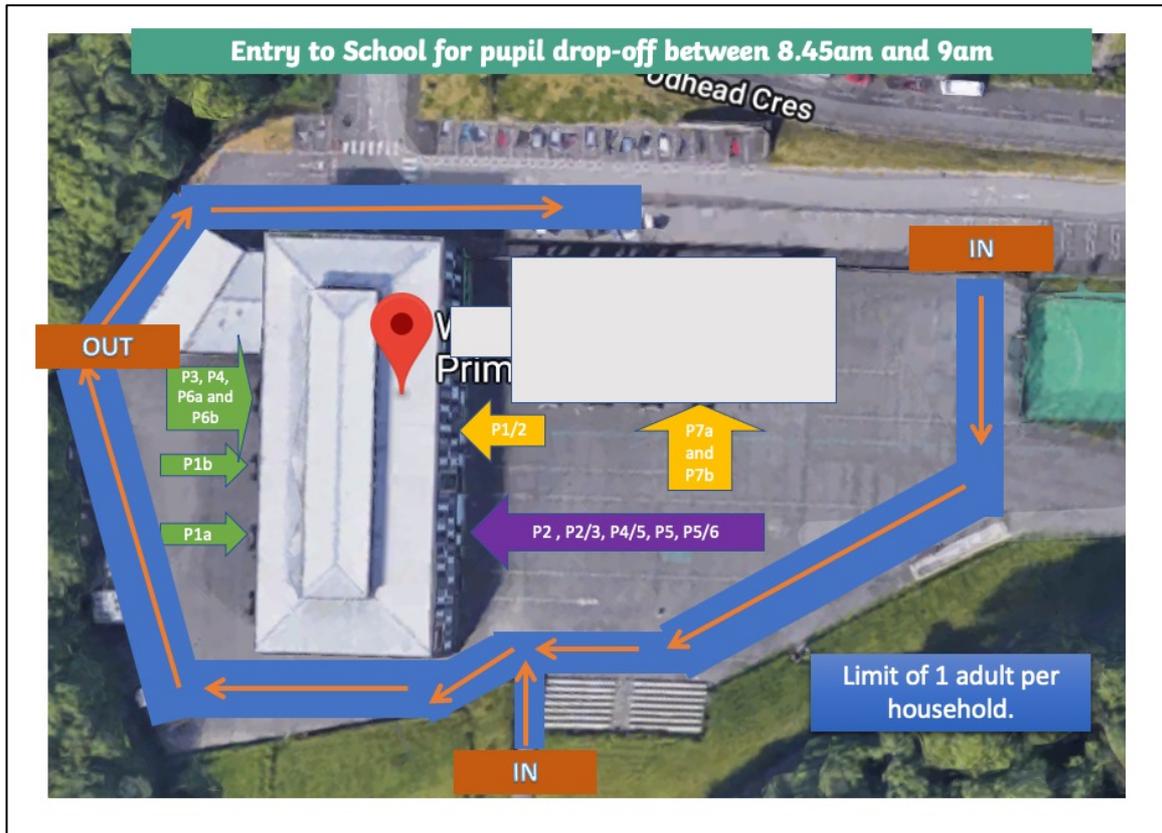
Car Park

Our car park is for staff, authorised school transport, nursery parents and blue badge holders only.

Please do not enter the car park at drop-off/pick-up times if you do not meet this criterion.

Section 6: Diagram of Playground Entry/Exit and Pupil Doors

(Please note this is slightly different from the class letters issued in June 2021)



Further assistance

If you require any assistance, please call or email the school office:

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