



Friday 21st August 2020

Arrangements for September opening

Dear Parents,

I am writing to you to share some of the arrangements with regard to the school opening in September. The staff and I are looking forward to this return, as the months of lockdown have been as frustrating for us as I know they have been for you. It will be lovely to welcome all of the children back as we have missed the children who have remained at home.

The Government has set out detailed guidance for school leaders so we can put proportionate protective measures in place for children and staff. By putting certain controls in place (these are explained below) we aim to reduce the number of contacts that the pupils have during the school day. A detailed risk assessment has been carried out and Beever Primary School will be open for all pupils from Thursday 3rd September.

What will the focus be from September?

- To ensure that the school site, building and procedures are adapted to reflect the latest safety guidelines.
- That children and staff have positive mental health and well-being following the Covid-19 crisis.
- That gaps in children's learning are addressed and that resources and interventions are implemented in the most effective way.

What will school look like?

The school will look and feel different in September.

All children in school will stay within their own classrooms for as much as possible. The 'bubble' model adopted for the summer term will be extended in September to include a whole class bubble. Due to the size of our school and limitations around both human and physical capacity, these bubbles will be extended to four broader groupings:

- Early Years
- Key Stage 1
- Lower Key Stage 2
- Upper Key Stage 2

The purpose of extending these bubbles into a larger group will be to make it logistically possible to operate a lunchtime service, playtimes and curriculum interventions such as Read, Write, Inc.

As much as possible we should endeavour to limit the contact each class comes into contact with other years' groups, but especially the larger Key Stage bubbles.

Within the classroom, each pupil will have their own set of resources in an individual tray on their desk space, to limit movement around the class. Children will not need to bring any resources into school except their reading folder, water bottle and PE kit.

Below is a reminder of who your child's classteacher and teaching assistant will be for the new academic year. We welcome to the school team Miss Roberts and Miss Jones.

Cohort	Staff
Year 6	Mr. Drake & Mrs. Adamson
Year 5	Miss Roberts & Mrs. Khatun
Year 4	Miss Jones & Mrs. Fox
Year 3	Mrs. Revill & Miss Hilton
Year 2	Miss Cocker and Mrs. Ruffle
Year 1	Miss Youds & Miss Wrigley
Reception	Miss Montgomery & Miss Jump
Nursery	Mrs. Chapman & Mrs. Lawrenson

What time will the children start and finish their school day?

We have staggered the drop off and pick up times to ensure everyone can enter and leave the site safely, with appropriate social distancing. Please leave 2 metres between each other and ensure you follow social distancing guidelines at all times.

We will be operating a **one-way system** on the school site. The only **entry point will be the main entrance** at the front of the school. Parents will therefore walk in a clockwise direction around the school building. The exit points from the playground will be the rear gate (on Douglas Street) and the gate on Moorby street next to the Children's Centre.

Cohort	Timings	Entrance/Exit
Year 6	Start at 8.50am, finish at 3.05pm.	Year 6 door
Year 5	Start at 8.50am, finish at 3.05pm.	Upper key stage 2 side entrance & exit
Year 4	Start at 8.55am, finish at 3.10pm.	Upper key stage 2 side entrance & Year 4 door exit
Year 3	Start at 8.55am, finish at 3.10pm.	Year 3 door
Year 2	Start at 9.05am, finish at 3.15pm.	Key Stage 1 entrance & exit
Year 1	Start at 9.05am, finish at 3.15pm.	Key Stage 1 entrance & Year 1 door exit
Reception	Start at 9.00am, finish at 3.15pm.	Reception door
Nursery	Start at 9.00am, finish at 12.00pm.	Nursery door

What do we ask of parents bringing pupils to school?

Only one parent to bring pupils to school. Teachers and teaching assistants will meet the pupils at the gate or door in order to hand sanitise them.

Please arrive promptly at the allocated time. Please keep your own social distancing and avoid gathering.

There are yellow line markings on the playground, please do not encroach on these and please do not loiter talking to other parents in the school playground after dropping off your child.

Only urgent messages should be passed onto staff at drop off, please ring or e-mail us at info@beever.oldham.sch.uk with anything non-urgent.

What will my classroom look like?

- Movement around the classroom will be limited as much as possible.
- Classrooms will be well ventilated and internal doors open.
- Each child will have their own pen/pencil but resources can be used and shared within the individual Bubbles. Any shared resources across the school will be thoroughly cleaned between uses.

Will my child need PPE?

- No children need to wear a face mask, as advised by the Government.
- Most staff will not be wearing PPE equipment unless completing first aid or advised differently by their own health professional, as per Government guidelines.

What should pupils wear?

- The children will need to come in their full school uniform, including school shoes.
- P.E. kit should be brought into school and taken home after each use. As per government guidance all P.E. lessons will take place outside so as the weather gets colder the children will need tracksuits and trainers.

We are all looking forward to seeing the children back in school in September and we would like to thank you for your continuous support. Please continue to take care, follow the safety guidelines and look after yourselves and your family.

Many thanks,

Mr. G. Oates
Headteacher