



Kea Community Primary School

03 September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Information about all pupils returning to school on Tuesday 7 September.

I hope you have had a good summer. We are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school next Tuesday and have been reviewing our systems to ensure everyone's safety. In line with all the government guidance, we have reviewed our Covid risk-assessment (published on the school website).

Although schools no longer need to operate a bubble system you will be aware that there are currently high numbers of Covid cases in Cornwall so we will continue to operate some safety measures.

Pupil Groups

Children will work in normal sized class groups.

Although there will be times when pupils are in contact with those from other year groups, length of time together will be minimised.

Classes, rooms and timings

We are reverting to normal start and finish times: 8.55am – 3.30pm. Children will enter their classrooms via the main playground. We will continue to operate a one-way system around the school to avoid too many people crossing each other.

Where possible we are encouraging parents to drop their children (particularly Y3, 4, 5 and 6) at the main drop off bay in the carpark where they will be greeted by an adult and then make their way round to the playground.

Class	Start / end time	Teacher/s	Entrance/exit to the school
YF	8.55am – 3.30pm Door will open at 8.45am	Mrs Harvey (M, T, alt W) Mrs Lawrence (alt W, Th, F)	YF door from the playground
Y1	8.55am – 3.30pm	Mrs Olive (M, T, W) Mrs McPherson (Th, F)	Y1 door from the playground
Y2	8.55am – 3.30pm	Miss Reeve	Door opposite school hall, by the parent shelter
Y3	8.55am – 3.30pm	Mr Carey (M, T, W) Mrs Green (Th, F)	Drop off in main drop off bay Enter school via playground, door nearest to Y3
Y4	8.55am – 3.30pm	Mr Barritt Mrs Bray part Wednesday	Drop off in main drop off bay Enter school via playground, door nearest to Y3
Y5	8.55am – 3.30pm	Mrs Drzymala Mrs Bray part Wednesday	Drop off in main drop off bay Line up in main playground Pick up by disabled parking area



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Y6	8.55am – 3.30pm	Mr Miles	Drop off in main drop off bay Line up in main playground Pick up by disabled parking area
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Curriculum

Within the first week of term, class teachers will publish details of their class curriculum, including PE days and homework expectations. We will revert to subject specialist timetable in the afternoons for Y3-6. Whole school assemblies will only take place on Microsoft Teams for at least the first half term.

We are aware that some pupils missed out on aspects of learning during the last two academic years. Teachers will monitor pupils closely and catch-up support programmes will be put in place in all year groups.

If your child has been displaying higher levels of anxiety than usual over recent months, please let us know so that we can support them as effectively as possible.

Wraparound Care (before and after school provision) / School clubs

Kea Pre-school will be running breakfast and after school clubs.

After school clubs will be starting w/b 13 September.

Uniform / PE kit

Children are expected to wear full school uniform including black shoes. Black trainer-type shoes are fine. Please ensure that all uniform and PE kit are clearly labelled.

We are ventilating all classrooms – the windows are open all day, so please ensure your child has sufficient warm clothes to wear during the day.

Children may wear PE kit for the whole day on their PE days. They may wear their green school jumper, or red PE hoodie for PE. Alternatively, children are welcome to wear a plain red (no logos please) sweatshirt or hoodie. On colder days children may choose to wear joggers in green, black or dark grey joggers instead of their black PE shorts.

Toys / personal possessions

We ask that children do not bring toys including fidget toys (unless specifically recommended by a health professional).

Hygiene

Children will all be expected to wash their hands once they have entered school as well as on exit. They will also be washing their hands at regular intervals during the day, particularly before eating. Hand wash and hand sanitiser is available in every classroom.

Staff are not required to wear face masks, but are welcome to if they choose to. PPE will be worn by staff only for providing intimate care and to support children who are ill.

All toilets will be cleaned at lunchtime each day as well as after school.



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Playtimes

Some breaktimes will be timetabled on a rota basis and pupils will be allocated a designated place to play – to avoid spending much time with those from many other year groups. We are fortunate to have a number of outside spaces in our school and we will make the most of them as much as we can.

The free fruit scheme will be in place for YF, 1 and 2 pupils this term. You are welcome to provide your child with a healthy snack (fruit, plain biscuit, piece of cheese). **No nuts or products containing sesame please as we have a number of children with severe allergies.**

Lunches

We will continue having fewer children sitting at one table and will minimise the number of different classes in the hall at any one time.

All lunches will need to be ordered and paid for (if you pay for lunches) on Parent Pay.

Covid-19 symptoms and what happens if someone develops symptoms during the day

Please do not send your child into school if they show any signs of Covid symptoms (new continuous cough, high temperature, loss of smell or taste) however mild and book a PCR Covid test as soon as possible. If a pupil develops Covid symptoms during the school day, they will be isolated from their peers and we will contact parents to collect them as soon as possible and to book a PCR Covid test.

It is no longer a requirement that children or fully vaccinated adults have to self-isolate if they have come into contact with a positive case of Covid, but if the school has more than 2 cases of Covid within 14 days or a rise in sickness with Covid-type symptoms, we will work closely with the local health protection team and seek their advice about actions to take.

Contact with the School

In order to reduce the number of adults in the school, we will not be inviting large numbers of parents into the school (e.g. for parent workshops/presentations etc.) until further notice. As always, you can get messages to your child's class teachers via the office by telephone or e-mail (secretary@kea.cornwall.sch.uk) and if you wish to speak to the class teacher, we can organise this for you at a time convenient for both parties.

We would appreciate your support in only having one adult (where possible) dropping off or collecting your child at this time. We would also appreciate your support in vacating the playground quickly (using the one way system) after children have gone into school in the mornings and at the end of the school day.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any concerns. Thank you all in advance for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

Katherine Hunkin
Headteacher