

Dear Year 2, 3 and 4 Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to welcoming back Year 2, 3 and 4 for two or three days each in the coming weeks. This letter outlines the things you need to know. Hopefully you have all seen our risk assessment which outlines the many measures we have put in place.

The dates for the children are as follows:

Class		Dates	Times
Year 4 (Sue)		Wednesday 1 st July Thursday 2 nd July Friday 3 rd July	8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm
Year 3 (Talsia)		Monday 6 th July Tuesday 7 th July Wednesday 8 th July	8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm
Year 3 (Nadika)		Wednesday 8 th July Thursday 9 th July Friday 10 th July	1pm-3:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm
Year 2 (Deborah)	Group A	Tuesday 14 th July Wednesday 15 th July	8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm
Groups to be confirmed	Group B	Thursday 16 th July Friday 17 th July	8:30am-12:30pm 8:30am-12:30pm

They will start school each morning at **8:30am** (apart from Year 3 Nadika on Wednesday 8th July) and end at **12:30pm**. Different year groups have different allocated start and end times to minimise congestion in the street and entrance to the school so it is important you arrive at that time. Please observe social distancing whilst waiting on Fitzalan Street, using the 2m floor markers. The reason we are running the groups earlier in the day is because the children will be based in a marquee in the playground and we are concerned about the heat. In the event of extreme bad weather (or extreme heat) we may have to review our plans, possibly at short notice. We will do our absolute best to avoid this.

As Deborah, Sue, Nadika and Talsia have been teaching different 'bubbles' every day, they will be keeping a social distance from the children. We have had a very high uptake for Year 2 so we are having to split them into two groups: Group A on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th, and Group B on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th. Deborah and I will split them into groups as best we can in terms of friendship groups and let you know next week. Please do not ask for your child to move groups, as this will not be possible under any circumstances.

Children need to come to school with two full water bottles each day. Please provide a packed lunch as the children will have a picnic together each day before they go home.

Please see below the 'Parent and Carer Principles and Agreement'. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Many Thanks,

Andrew

Parent and Carer Principles and Agreement

This document outlines some of the day-to-day essential information you will need to know for when your child returns to school. In order for this phased wider opening of the school to work successfully and, most importantly, to be safe, it is essential that we work together on this. To do this we ask and expect the following:

1. All children and their families must adhere to the government's current social distancing guidelines outside of school. We have worked very hard to create 'bubbles' of no more than 15 children to minimise the chances of cross infection, but this work will be ineffective if children and families meet up outside of school.
2. If your child displays any symptoms of the Coronavirus, you must keep your child at home and report it to the school immediately. You will need to take your child to be tested as soon as possible and share the result with the school, and if positive, keep your child at home for 7 days. If a member of your household displays symptoms, you must keep your child at home for 14 days.
3. You must ensure that we have up-to-date emergency contact details for your child. Please complete the attached emergency detail form. Your child will not be able to start back with us unless we have received this the working day before your child returns. Please email completed forms to shall@wtwschool.co.uk.
4. Please ensure that you have your mobile phone with you at all times so that we can contact you in an emergency. If your child develops any symptoms of the Coronavirus during the school day, we have been instructed that they must be isolated. This will mean that they are in a room on their own, supervised by an adult at distance, where possible, so it is imperative that we can contact you immediately.
5. Please ensure that your child washes their hands before leaving home in the morning. We, in turn, will ensure that they wash their hands as they leave school at the end of the day.
6. Please, wherever possible, avoid using public transport to get to and from school. We understand that this may not be possible for families living far away from the school.
7. When dropping your child to school in the morning, please do not enter the school gate and please one adult only per child. Members of school staff will be at the gate to direct your child to their designated teacher/ staff member. We ask that if there is ever congestion along Fitzalan Street that you wait patiently using the 2 metre markers. We hope that this will be minimised by our staggered start and end times. At the end of the day, please wait on the green opposite the school (observing social distancing) until your designated time.
8. All clothes that the children wear must be washed at the end of each day, and clean clothes be worn each day.
9. Please ensure that your child wears suitable clothing every day that they could do PE in (including wearing trainers). We do not want the children changing clothes or shoes during the day.
10. Please provide two full water bottles for your child with their name on at the start of each day to keep them hydrated throughout the day.
11. Do not send in any items from home (pencil cases, toys, books etc). Your child should not bring in a bag or book bag with them (other than a packed lunch bag if they are not having a school dinner or a small bag with their water bottles in).

12. If you wish for your child to wear a face mask for their journey to school, they will need to remove it and give it to you on their arrival to the school.

If the teacher/ staff member leading your child's group is unwell or has to self-isolate for any reason, we may at very short notice have to ask you to keep your child at home. We will give you as much notice as possible, but please be aware this could happen at any time.

Apologies for the long list of rules and requirements, which are unusual for us at Walnut Tree Walk. I hope you understand that this is necessary and that we are doing all of the above, on the advice of the government, purely to keep your child and the whole school community safe.