

# Special Briefing



Return to School | Year 6

We hope that you find this information useful as you prepare for your child to return to school. If you have any questions about returning to school, please email [returntoschool@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:returntoschool@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk)

## The School Day

The school will run to a revised timetable to enable safe entry to and exit from the site. The times of the each class will be:

	Birch	Chestnut	Oak	Willow
Morning drop off	8.40am	8.55am	9.10am	9.25am
Afternoon Collection	2.40pm	2.55pm	3.10pm	3.25pm



Year 6 children should enter the school premises using the gates next to the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA). They should walk to their normal entrance, ensuring that they maintain a distance between themselves and other students.

It is very important that children arrive just before the time indicated above. We do not want children to mix with children from other classes.

At the end of the school day parents are welcome to wait on the playground but please do not arrive early. We will ask you to leave the school premises as soon as your child is with you. Please ensure that you observe a 2 metre distance from others at all times.

## Staffing

Your children will be taught by the members of staff who know them best.

Birch	Miss Lewis and Mrs Patel
Chestnut	Miss Paul and Mrs Yip
Oak	Miss Choudhury and Mrs Skelton
Willow	Mrs Chagpar / Mrs Jameel (Group A) and Mrs Jenkins / Mrs Sachania (Group B)



Other members of staff (school leaders, admin and premises staff members) will also be in school during the day.

## Social distancing?

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A number of parents have asked about our approach to social distancing.

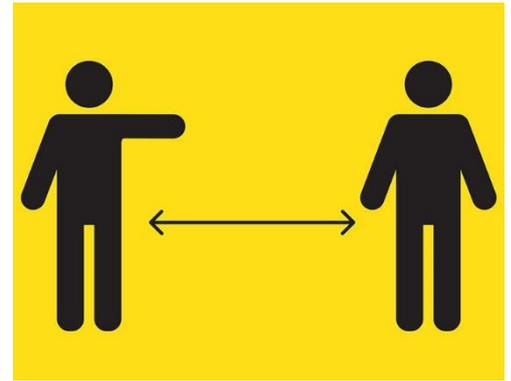
The Government recognises that primary age children cannot be expected to remain 2 metres apart from each other and staff.

In deciding to bring more children back to early years and schools, the government has taken this into account. We will work through the hierarchy of measures:

- avoiding contact with anyone with symptoms
- frequent hand cleaning and good respiratory hygiene practices
- regular cleaning of rooms and shared areas
- minimising contact and mixing

As Year 6 are our oldest children, we will be expecting them to make every effort to keep a distance between themselves and others. We have set up the classroom and the school site to promote this but it will not be possible to enforce a 2 metre distance at all times.

Adults in school, including parents, will be expected to keep at least 2 metres apart at all times.



## Your agreement with us

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We are working hard to follow the government's guidance in order to keep everyone as safe as possible.

If your child is returning to school, we would ask that ensure all the following:

- Follow all guidelines issued by school
- When not in school, continue to follow the latest government guidance, e.g. social distancing
- Inform school immediately if there is anyone in your home with any coronavirus symptoms and keep your child at home
- Be available by phone throughout the school day
- If your child is ill during the day, collect him or her as soon as possible
- Adhere to the staggered start and end of day times and one-way routes
- Only come into school if you have an appointment



## Packed Lunches and Fruit Snack

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We will not be providing a hot school meal during this half term but we can provide a packed lunch for any child who needs one. You do not need to pre-order a packed lunch, we will do a simple count up at the start of each day. You are welcome to send a packed lunch in with your child.

Lunches will be eaten outside, if dry, or in the classroom. Your child is welcome to bring in a piece of fruit to have at break time.



## School Uniform and Equipment

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We are not expecting children to wear full school uniform, though you are welcome to if you would prefer.

We don't want Year 6 parents to have to buy new uniform items at the end of the year, and we want children to be able to wear comfortable, practical clothing which can easily be washed.

Clothing should be appropriate for a full range of activities (including physical activity). We won't be using our PE kits (these will be sent home if they are still in school).

Your child will not need to bring in any equipment from school, including bags. We will provide everything that is needed (your child will have a personal pack of resources which won't be shared). We will provide water and a water bottle for your child.

The only items which your child will need to bring in are a packed lunch (if he or she is not having a school packed lunch) and a fruit snack for break time.



## Covid-19 Symptoms and Action

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The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)



For most people, especially children, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

If you, or any member of your household, has any of the symptoms above you must:

- stay at home
- arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19
- inform the school straight away

If a child or adult develops any of these symptoms whilst in school they will be immediately isolated and sent home.

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## Group A and Group B

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Alongside this briefing paper, we are sending home information about which group your child is in. These groups have been allocated alphabetically, with just a few exceptions (mainly to ensure that siblings are in school on the same days).

# GROUPS

All children have been allocated to a group. Although we do not expect all students to start school next week, we want to ensure that a space is available for each child going forward.

**For Year 6, Group A will start school on Tuesday 2 June and then will be in school for Mondays and Tuesdays. Group B will start on Thursday 4 June and will be in school on Thursdays and Fridays.**

We are sorry that we are not able to accept any requests for placement into particular 'bubbles', for any reason. We know that this is difficult for parents, and we know that there are some very genuinely good reasons for children being in a particular group.

## Children of Critical Workers and Vulnerable Children

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Children of critical workers, and vulnerable children are eligible to be in school each day. We will have a two key worker groups set up for this purpose.

If your child is in the key worker group, he or she will not be able to have contact with their class group, even on the days when that group is in school. If your child is only attending on days when their class group (A or B) is attending then they can remain with the class group.

We cannot permit any child to be part of two groups.



## Further Information

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All the information we have sent home, and a regularly updated 'frequently asked questions' document are available on our school website: <https://pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk/return-to-school.html>

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