

# Special Briefing



Key Worker Group

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)

## Key Worker Groups

We will continue to operate our Key Worker groups until further notice. As we now have a wider group of students in school, we will have two separate groups (one for Reception – Year 2, and another for Year 3 – Year 6). The groups will be taught in two of our Year 3 classrooms.

Our key worker provision also extends to those children with an education health care plan (EHCP) and children with a social worker.

Our provision for key workers will be open from 8am until 4pm.



## Staffing

Your children will be taught by the following staff members:

Group	Start of week	End of Week
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Mrs Watson Mrs Chellapah Mrs Nayee	Mrs Premathash Mrs Choudhury Mrs Babas Mrs Ahmed
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.	Mrs Holland Mrs Shah Mrs Saunders Mrs Hirani	Mrs Matty Mrs Schweitzer Mrs Benson Mrs Courtney



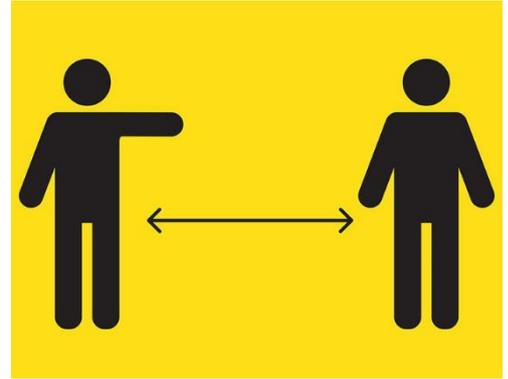
Other members of staff (school leaders, admin and premises staff members) will also be in school during the day.

## 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

We have set up the Key Worker classrooms and the school site to promote social distancing but we are not expecting our children to remain 2 metres apart.

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 you 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. The three-week rolling menu can be [viewed here](#). You are welcome to send a packed lunch in with your child.

Lunches will be eaten 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 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).



Please ensure that your child can manage any buttons, zips or shoe fastenings independently.

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.

As we are expecting some fine, sunny weather, please ensure that your child is covered in suncream before school and brings a hat. We will not be able to apply suncream for your child.

## 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.

## Entrances, Exits and Routes

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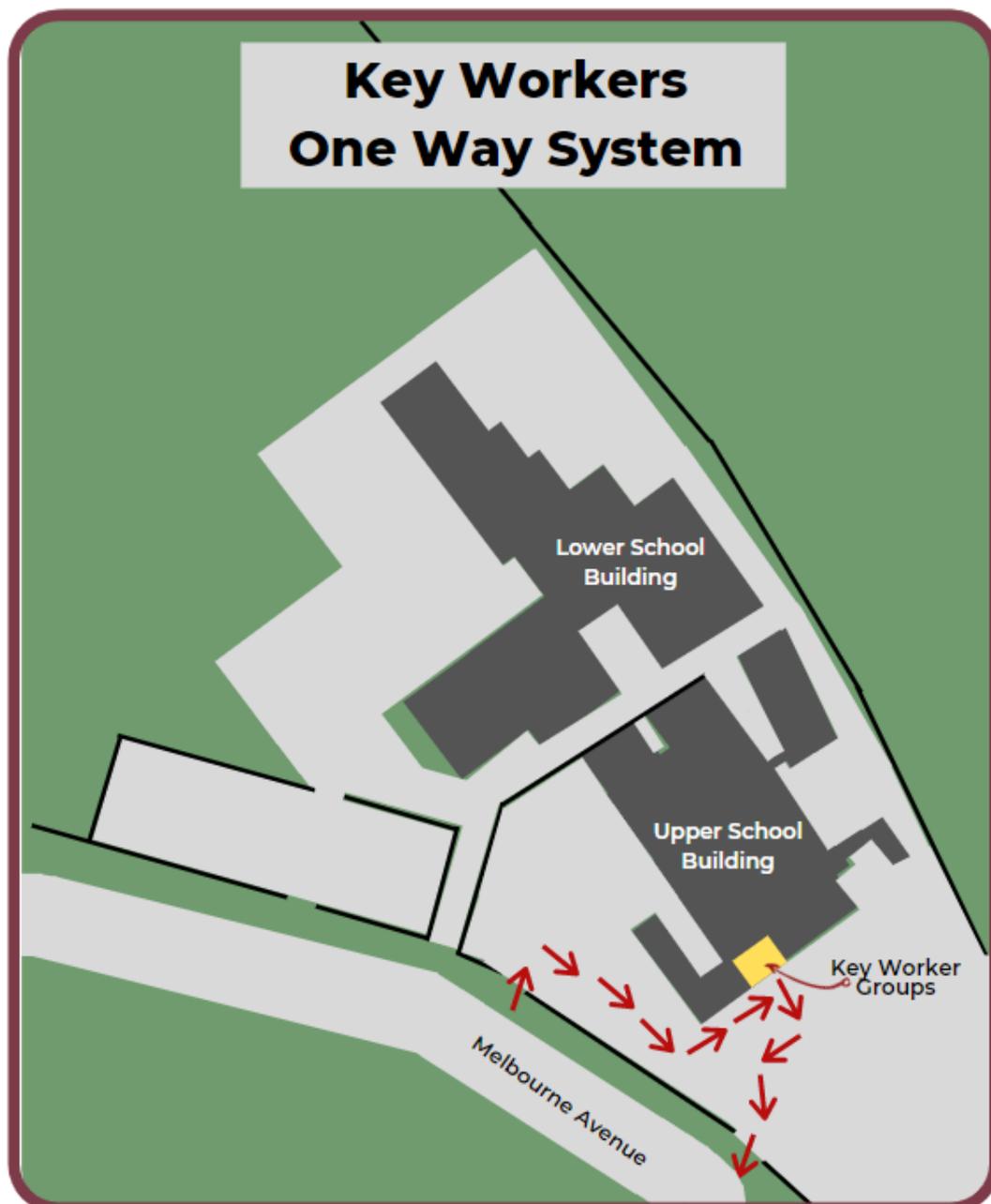
We are operating one way systems for all drop off and collections. Only one parent for each family will be allowed on site.

Key worker children should come through the upper school playground gate (between the two bike storage areas).

Please come straight to the door (observing the 2 metre rule if there is more than one parent arriving at the same time). When collecting, please follow the same route, knock on the door and then stand back so that we can bring your child to you. Once reunited with your child, leave the school premises promptly through the gate next to the multi-use games area (MUGA).

The gate will be open from 8.00am – 9.30am and then again from 2.30pm – 4.00pm. If you are dropping off or collecting at other times please go to the school office.

Thank you for your support with these arrangements.



## A Special Note - Groups for Key Workers

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Children of critical workers, and vulnerable children are eligible to be in school each day.

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.



## Attendance

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We are limiting each key worker group to 15 so it will be really important that you let us know if you still need the provision.

Mrs Tucker will be managing our key worker registers. It would be really helpful if you let her know which days you will need in advance.

We know that shift patterns change, and schedules are released over time, so just let us know as soon as you can. If we don't hear from you, Mrs Tucker will get in touch.

If you need to get in touch with Mrs Tucker to let her know which days you need, or to make a change, please send an email to [office@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:office@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk)



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