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COVID-19 RETURN TO SCHOOL GUIDANCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, we have been carrying out all the necessary procedures to ensure that the school is as safe as possible for the partial return of Year 10. These procedures are now complete and I am pleased to inform you that school will be partially opening the week beginning Monday 22 June.

Following the recent survey sent out, we have allocated a 90 minute time slot to all students, except for those whose parents/guardians stated that they will not be sending their child to school yet.

The specific date and time has been sent to your child's email account by Mr. Read. The times have been staggered and pupils will not be admitted entry into school if they are late or arrive at any other time than their allocated slot.

If your child does not have an allocated time slot or they are unable to attend, please contact Mr. Read mre@eastburyschool.co.uk or Mr. Jhita jjh@eastburyschool.co.uk.

We are also aiming to provide additional resources to support home learning, so your child must bring in a large bag in order to carry them home.

Set out below is detailed guidance explaining how the school will try to keep you and your child(ren) as safe as possible in school.

Whilst we cannot guarantee the safety of your child(ren), we have attempted to minimise potential risks by identifying them in a risk assessment and then creating a plan of action. This guidance contains a number of those actions. This is version 1. When the school receives new government guidance, I will amend and resend this document.

Please read this guidance and share the instructions with your son/daughter so that, together, we can keep everybody as safe and as well as possible.

We are really looking forward to seeing your children soon.

Thank you for your continued support.



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Start of Day Arrangements Year 10	<p>Pupils are expected to maintain social distancing of 2 meters whilst travelling to and from school. Wherever possible please avoid the use of public transport, and encourage them to walk\cycle into school. If public transport has to be used, then a face covering should be worn. Perhaps advise your son\daughter to use Upney station rather than Barking as it is less busy. We would also advise pupils to avoid Barking Town Centre, as again this is becoming increasingly busy.</p> <p>The school has made the following changes to maintain social distancing in the school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 10 are to use the usual school entrance – Rosslyn Road at the designated time. • Walk into school and take a place on one of the social distancing markers. There will be no more than 6 pupils in each class • Pupils are to wait at the entrance area until a member of staff escorts them to the Wilmington building. • Adhere to the 2 metre distance signs whilst walking through the school. • On entry to the Wilmington building pupils will be asked to wash their hands • They will then be taken to their classroom for their face to face session • They are sit at the desk designated to them by the teacher • Bags and jackets should be placed on the empty seat next to them • Movement around the class must be kept to an absolute minimum to maintain social distancing. • Resources will be provided and must not be shared. • At the end of the session pupils will be escorted to the Wilmington gate to exit the school building, maintaining social distancing at all times. • If your son/daughter is eligible for FSM then a packed lunch will be provided. Please let us know if you would like your son/daughter to receive a packed lunch.
Late Children	<p>The staggered times above are the allocated times. Pupils will not be admitted entry into school at other times.</p>
Public transport	<p>Click on the link to read the travel guidance if you are using public transport to travel to school Coronavirus (COVID-19): safer travel guidance for passengers</p>
The First Day Back to School	<p>Teachers will explain routines and expectations of children as soon as pupils return to school. This will include reminding of them of the fire evacuation procedure.</p> <p>Please will you prepare your child for school by explaining and talking sensitively about the following changes;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They will be in a classroom of no more than 6 pupils. • The teacher may not be their regular teacher. • The classroom may not be their regular classroom. • They will be sitting at a table on their own and will have to remain 2 metres from their friends. • They will be using their own equipment throughout the day. • Some furniture has been removed from the classroom. • They will be asked to wash their hands regularly throughout the day. • They will have no physical contact with their friends.
Your Child's Daily Routine	<p>Please can prepare your child for school by explaining and talking to your children about the following daily routines;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils will stay in the same small group (or bubble) at all times whilst at school • Pupils with a EHCP plan may not receive support from their usual adult. • Pupils will be issued with their own equipment to use to limit the amount of shared resources. • The session will have a wellbeing focus, as well as study skills and a chance to discuss any concerns with remote learning. • The teacher may wear a mask
Hygiene and Cleaning	<p>Teachers will continue to remind pupils of basic hygiene rules. We would appreciate if parents would also go through the following with their child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remind your child to catch coughs and sneezes in tissues, following 'Catch it. Bin it, Kill it' procedure. • Remind your child to avoid touching their face, eyes, nose or mouth with unclean hands.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To have long hair tied back to limit the need to touch it. Remind your child how to wash their hands. The latest guidance and video on hand washing can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public <p>Hand washing\sanitiser use is non-negotiable when entering the school; before and after leaving the classroom; after using the toilet. In every classroom there is a hand sanitizer that must be used when exiting a classroom.</p>
Additional cleaning	A deep clean has already taken place since school closure, and this will continue. Cleaners' hours have been increased so that all classrooms and toilets will be cleaned during throughout the day.
Ventilation around the school	We will be increasing the ventilation of the school building by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All windows and doors will be opened throughout the school day. Classroom doors will be propped open to limit the use of door handles.
What clothing should be worn?	We would like all children to wear fresh clothes each day, therefore non-uniform is permitted to ensure clothes are washed at the end of the day. Tracksuits and sports clothes are an excellent option because they dry quickly.
Will my child need a water bottle?	The drinking fountains on the school premises will be out of use. Every pupil should bring their own bottle of water to be kept on their desk in the classroom. At the end of each day, water bottles must be taken home, otherwise they will be disposed of.
The Building Layout	Teachers will explain routines and expectations with the children as soon as they return, including movement around the school building. To ensure minimal movement we have put the following in place; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a one way system within the school to minimise contact in the corridors. One entrance in and one exit, to reduce further contact between different groups
How will teachers communicate with parents?	There is no access to the main office due to limited space. Should you wish to communicate with the school then please call 020 8507 4500 or email office@eastbury.bardaglea.org.uk . In an emergency and a visit to the office is required, the initial conversation will take place via the intercom system at the Hulse gate. If a visitor does come on to site, visitors will sanitise their hands on entry to the building.
Symptoms	If parents or children are displaying any symptoms of coronavirus you must NOT enter the school. COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection.
What arrangements are in place if a child is unwell?	If your child is unwell with symptoms of coronavirus while at school, the following will be done: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A face mask\visor will be worn by the supervising adult if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained. If contact with your child is necessary, then gloves, an apron and a face mask\visor will be worn by the supervising adult. <p>You will be contacted to come and collect your child.</p>
Health Risks to Different Groups	If your child lives in a household with someone who is extremely clinically vulnerable, as set out in the COVID-19: guidance on shielding and protecting people defined on medical grounds as extremely vulnerable , you must inform the school immediately so that your child can continue to be supported to learn at home. The school cannot guarantee pupils will adhere to social distancing expectations, although we have taken steps to reduce the likelihood. Those pupils who intentionally/maliciously fail to follow social distancing rules will be asked to leave site immediately, and parents will be contacted to discuss the behaviour and the next steps. Testing and contact tracing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Testing is already available for all school staff and their household members. When pupils return to school, they are eligible, along with members of their households, to have access to testing if they display symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19). To access testing parents should use the 111 online coronavirus service if their child is 5 or over (Parents should call 111 if the child is under 5).
Remote Learning	The online learning will continue to run for all pupils maintained by staff working remotely.