

Year F Key Information:

We look forward to welcoming Year F children back to school from Thursday 4th June at 9am, providing an online registration and health declaration has been submitted in advance, at the appropriate time.

(Parents of Year F children returning after this date must submit our registration form and questionnaire by midday on the Wednesday, prior to their return the following Monday. A health declaration must be completed for all children returning to school, NO SOONER THAN 7 days before their return.)

Morning Arrival

To enable us to stagger arrival times on the school site, unless you are a keyworker, please do not arrive at QI before 8:50am.

If you are a keyworker and need to drop off an older child for emergency childcare, you may drop the older child to their keyworker 'bubble' at 08:40am, then make your way using the one-way system to drop off your Year F child at 08:50am. To ensure that the one-way route is kept clear, please wait on the grass areas opposite/near the relevant classroom. Additional detail for each Year F group will be included in our next communication.

Further explanation is given below, but in summary your child will need to wear school uniform, apply sunscreen before school, and bring:

- a named water bottle (we cannot provide cups - to reduce transmission)
- a raw fruit/vegetable snack if desired (until our supplier resumes service)
- a named sunhat
- sun cream, so your child can top up themselves up (optional if already applied)
- PE kit
- any library/trolley books for return
- NO other books or toys – to reduce transmission

Accessing the School Site

At the start of the school day, please adhere to the one-way pedestrian route. White arrows on the pavements indicate the direction of travel and we expect adults to maintain a two metre distance from others. A diagram of the system in place is attached. Further details of waiting areas for each Year F group will be sent to you with our next communication before 4th June.

Children must be accompanied to and collected from their classrooms by an adult; parents are responsible for ensuring that their child maintains a suitable distance from others. It is especially important that children from other classroom groups ('bubbles') maintain a minimum 2 metre distance from each other. This is to reduce the risk of infection passing between bubbles.

To reduce numbers on site, we ask that only one parent accompanies their child to school to help implement appropriate social distancing. Please also remember that we will not be opening the Aintree entrance to the site until further notice.

Accessing the School Building

Parents will **not** be permitted inside the school building, other than for **essential** interactions with the school office which cannot be achieved by other means (i.e. telephone/email/online payment system). If you have to visit the school office in person (for example, to hand over medicine), please use the the new entrance door for parents and adhere to our request that only one person approaches the front desk at any one time. One further adult may wait inside the building, but any others will need to queue outside. The new parent entrance is clearly signed and should be open at drop off and pick up times. If the door is closed, please press the buzzer by the 'old' main door.

Household Illness with Coronavirus Symptoms

IMPORTANT: If your child or anyone in your household has any symptoms consistent with the coronavirus, your child must stay at home. Please visit the following link for the current Government guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

It is important that you telephone us (023 92 268067) to report the absence and the presence of possible coronavirus symptoms. If you are able to have your child or other family member tested, you will need to tell us the result of that test. The other members of the child's group will need to stay at home and isolate for 14 days if the test result is positive. For advice about coronavirus testing, please see:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>

If any child in a classroom group ('bubble') presents at school with possible coronavirus symptoms, they will be isolated immediately and sent home. The other children in that bubble may also need to be sent home to self-isolate for 14 days or until a negative test result is confirmed for the child with symptoms.

If a member of staff has to self-isolate due to coronavirus symptoms, their 'bubble' group will be notified. All members of the group will need to self-isolate at home for 14 days or until a negative test result is confirmed for the member of staff.

Illness *not* due to Coronavirus Symptoms

We will be expecting children registered for return to attend school every day. If your child is ill, or will not be attending school for any other reason, please telephone the office early in the morning as usual to report their absence.

Contact Numbers

It is essential that we have an up to date emergency contact number for use during the school day; this contact needs to be someone who can collect your child from school at any time. If you need to update your contact numbers, please advise us by email or through the Contact Us facility on our website:

<https://www.queensinclosure.hants.sch.uk/form/?pid=2&form=222>

Uniform

We would like the children to wear full school uniform as far as is possible. Unfortunately, new QI branded items are not available at the moment. Any commercially available grey/black shorts, skirts, white polo shirts or green check dresses are acceptable. Regarding footwear, children may wear dark coloured shoes or trainers - preferably without any obvious branding; summer sandals need to have a covered toe for safety reasons.

Coat Day

Monday will not be a dedicated Coat Day for this half term, as we will be trying to move learning outside most days and we will need to stagger those activities. Please ensure that your child has suitable footwear in school for learning outdoors (including wellies) and that, on a wet day, they bring a coat into school.

PE Kit and Outdoor Footwear

All children will need shorts and a t-shirt for PE, as well as suitable footwear. Your child will also need footwear that is suitable for learning outdoors. A pair of trainers would cover both activities. Alternatively, you may choose to provide plimsoles for PE and outdoor shoes/boots for outdoor learning. We should already have the children's wellies in school for learning outside when the ground is wet.

Lunches and Snacks

The school kitchen will be providing universal free school meals for Year F children - as usual. At present, lunchbox-style meals will be provided for consumption in the classroom. A menu is available on our website: <https://www.queensinclosure.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Meals&pid=87>

Any child not requiring a meal from the school kitchen will need to bring in a packed lunch.

All children are invited to bring a fresh fruit or raw vegetable snack into school (for mid-morning) in a small container. We are not receiving free fruit and vegetable snacks for Key Stage 1 and Foundation at present.

At the End of the School Day

The end of the school day for Year F will be at 2:50pm, unless you are a keyworker. Please do not arrive on the school site before 2:40pm. Details of how and where to wait for your child will be part of our next communication

If you are a keyworker, this system may be different – please see letter sent for keyworker parents.

After School Childcare

We have not been made aware that Horndean Dimensions or Growing Places have resumed their after-school clubs, and consequently we advise parents to make alternative arrangements or to contact these providers direct.

Before Returning to School

To ensure consistency between approaches at school and at home, we would be grateful if parents could talk children through the need to keep their distance from adults and other children in school (no hugging, touching etc), NHS handwashing advice, trying to avoid touching their own faces (eyes, nose and mouth), and the 'Catch It, Kill It, Bin It' procedure for respiratory hygiene:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9VjelWLnEg>

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2017/09/catch-bin-kill.pdf>

We appreciate that the majority of you will have done this already.

The children will be required to wash their hands several times during the day and we may also use hand sanitiser.

Please see the Returning to School page on our website for other suggestions on how you can help your child to adjust to returning to school. In particular, please share the 'social story' examples with your child:

<https://www.queensinclosure.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=Returning+to+School&pid=112>

You will receive further information for the Year F return to school before 4th June. This will include details of your child's classroom group, which staff are with that group, the classroom location and further details of the drop off and collection system for each group.

Finally, we ask you to bear with us. We are doing our very best to cope with a challenging and changing situation. Due to the additional demands placed on staff, some of whom are themselves vulnerable, we may not be able to answer your calls and enquiries as promptly as we have been able to in the past. Please avoid contacting the office unnecessarily, especially with last minute messages, and use email or the Contact Us facility on our website when possible. Rest assured that the children are the heart of our school and we will continue to place their wellbeing first at all times.