

Returning to Iwade School September 2020

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you all back to school on Wednesday 2nd September for Years 1 – Year 6 and on Monday 7th September for Year R.

Consideration has been given to the size of the bubble groups which will be used in order to enable all pupils to return, keep consistent groups, promoting a full curriculum, dealing with logistical restrictions, sharing resources, and effectively manage timings for lunch and breaks, while supporting parents who have more than 1 child in school. With this in mind, bubbles will be in place for Year R (as one bubble) and for community key stages e.g. Sky KS1 (years 1 and 2), or Ocean upper KS2 (years 5 & 6) etc. This is well within the Government guidance maximum for whole year group bubbles (90 children).

To ensure that pupils arrive and leave school safely we have devised designated routes in to school and arranged collection points and times. Please familiarise yourselves with the map which includes a one-way system route for the mornings and staggered collection times. We very much appreciate your support with following this, as getting so many parents and children in and out of school, whilst maintaining social distancing is a big undertaking for everyone.

Please may we ask that your entrance and exit, at drop off and collection times, is swift to minimise congestion and to ensure social distancing is maintained in line with the current guidance. Please do not arrive any earlier than 5 minutes ahead of your pick up time, maintain social distancing as far as possible and do not congregate outside the school.

Where possible, only one adult should drop off and collect the pupil, and if you need to bring other children, as there is no one at home to care for them, they should stand next to you, observing social distancing from other families.

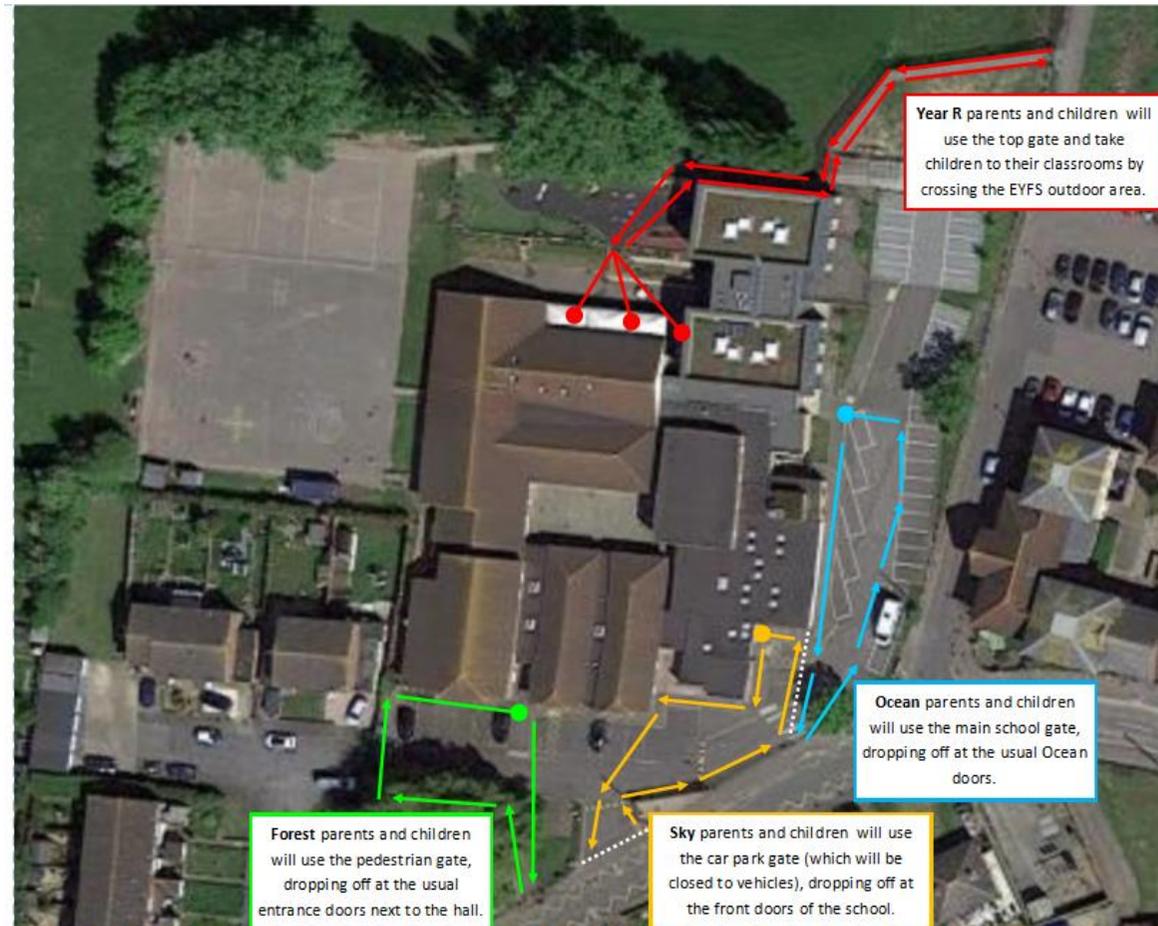
As from when lockdown began, we are unable to allow any parents on the site without prior arrangement, so should you wish to speak to your child's class teacher, please call or email the office to arrange this.

In these uncertain times, it is vital that we work together to first and foremost ensure the safety of our pupils, staff and families. These arrangements may be subject to short-notice change as guidance and local circumstances dictate, but we will keep you informed at all times.

Remember to call or email the school if you have any questions or concerns and we thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Morning Map

Drop off time has been extended and is now from **8:30 am until 9:00 am**. Entrance to school is dependent on your child's community. Please see the map below indicating entrance path and direction of flow. **Year R follow the red route**, **Ocean the blue**, **Sky yellow** and **Forest green**. The electronic vehicular gate will be open to become **Sky's** pedestrian entrance with bollards placed across to ensure no cars can access during school drop off/ collection times. Please keep to the marked routes, although this may take a little longer - it is for everyone's safety.



Collection times and map

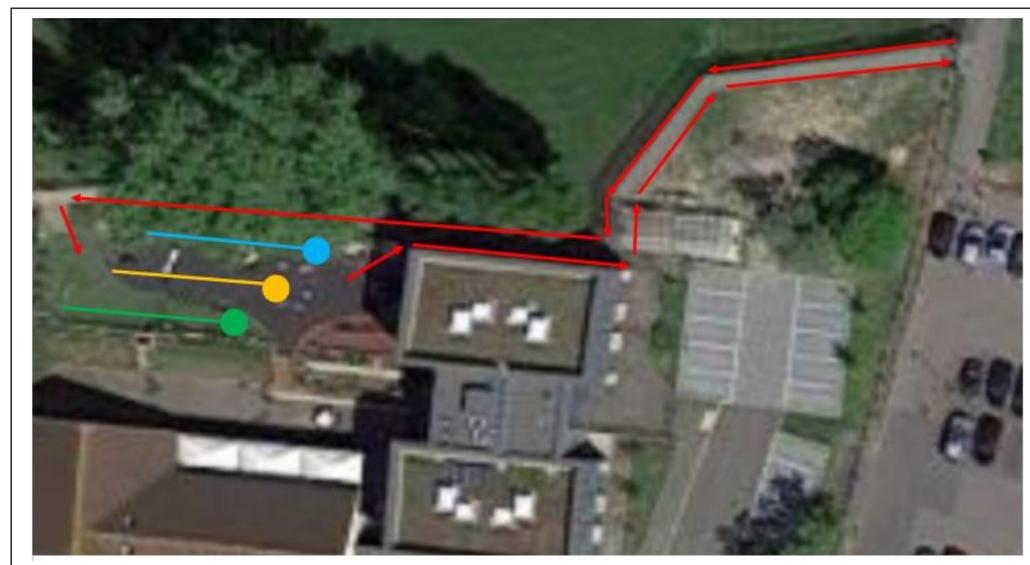
Pupils will leave school at different times – please arrive no more than 5 minutes before collection time.

We will ask you to queue at a point on the playground (● marked on the map) and pupils will be dismissed to you, please follow the arrows. To support adults collecting more than 1 child, older siblings will be dismissed with the youngest child in your family, so you only need to be at one collection point. If you use a child minder, please share the collection times with them as they will need to go from class to class as we are not informed of shared child minders. They should remain socially distanced whilst on the school site.

Year R, please use the entrance by the field (**red route**) walking along the back of the EYFS playground to join the end of the class queue.

	Pick up Point
Rainbow Fish and their older siblings	3pm
Butterfly and their older siblings	3pm
Gruffalo and their older siblings	3pm

Year R pupils will be dismissed with any older siblings so that you **only need to be at one collection point**. Your collection time is **3pm**.

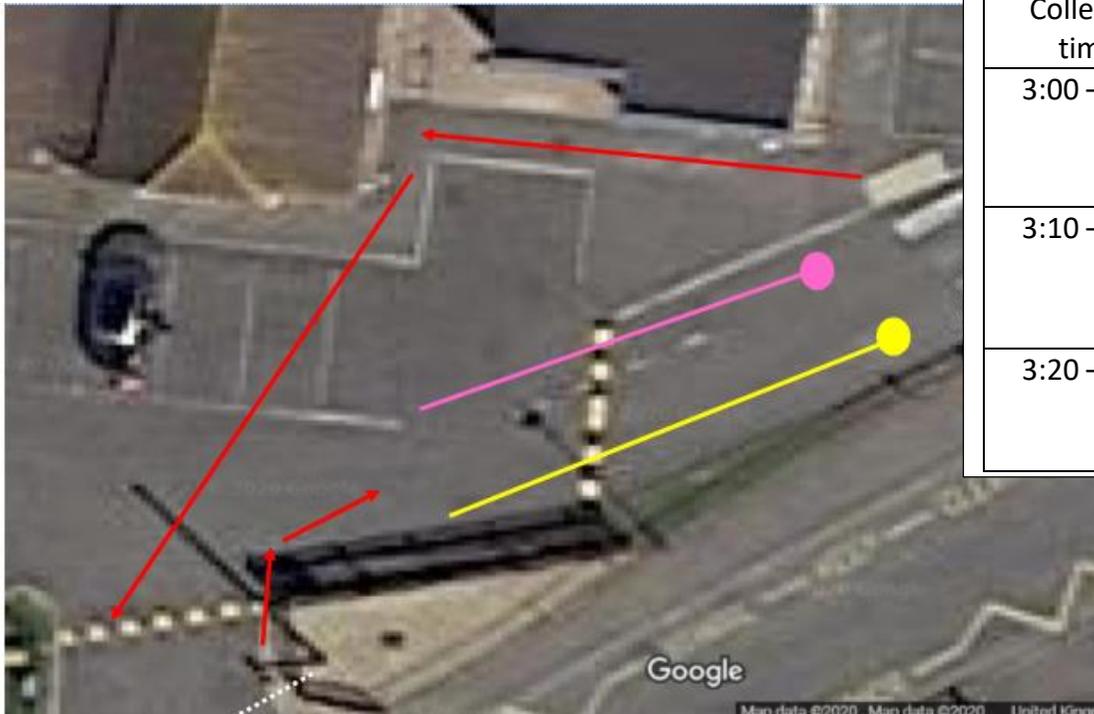


Ocean, please use the pedestrian entrance at the front of the school and follow the arrows to your allocated collection points indicated on the map and at the times shown in the chart.



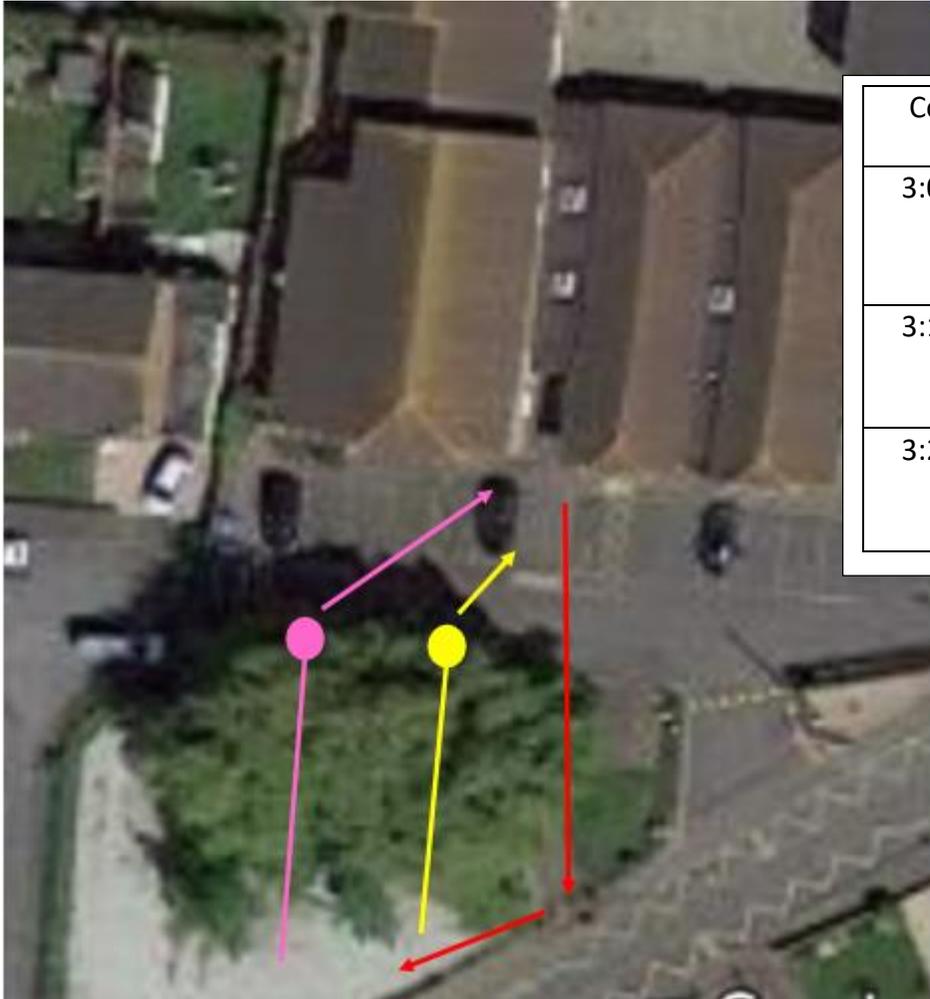
Collection times		Pick up Point
3:00 – 3:10	Whale Class and their older siblings	Yellow
	Seal Class and their older siblings	Pink
3:10 – 3:20	Penguin Class and their older siblings	Yellow
	Octopus Class and their older siblings	Pink
3:20 – 3:30	Seahorse and their older siblings	Yellow
	Dolphin and their older siblings	Pink

SKY, please use the blocked vehicular entrance at the front of the school and follow the arrows to your allocated collection points indicated on the map and at the times shown in the chart.



Collection times		Pick up Point
3:00 – 3:10	Wren Class and their older siblings	Yellow
	Robin Class and their older siblings	Pink
3:10 – 3:20	Woodpecker Class and their older siblings	Yellow
	Owl Class and their older siblings	Pink
3:20 – 3:30	Kingfisher and their older siblings	Yellow
	Kestrel and their older siblings	Pink

Forest, please use the pedestrian entrance by the willow tree at the front of the school and follow the arrows to your allocated collection points indicated on the map and at the times shown in the chart.



Collection times		Pick up Point
3:00 – 3:10	Ash Class and their older siblings	Yellow
	Elm Class and their older siblings	Pink
3:10 – 3:20	Beech Class and their older siblings	Yellow
	Willow Class and their older siblings	Pink
3:20 – 3:30	Yew and their older siblings	Yellow
	Oak and their older siblings	Pink

Travelling to School

The government encourages travel to school by either walking or cycling wherever possible, drive or follow guidance for public transport. Please can I take this opportunity to ask that if you park on School Lane, you do so without blocking drives and being considerate of local residents and pedestrians. You should not be parking up on curbs or on the zigzags. Please do not park outside the school to encourage older children to get into the car without parking safely.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-travel-guidance-for-passengers>

Uniform

Pupils should come to school in full uniform, shoes must be completely black and no boots allowed
Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils should use a TIMU logoed book bag.

For pupils in KS2, it is preferred that pupils use a TIMU logoed book bag/back pack. However, pupils are able to use a plain black backpack if they prefer.

Please ensure your child has a suitable coat, and as the weather gets colder – scarf and gloves as we will be taking children outside as much as possible. All uniform **MUST** be named.

Before school and After School

Pupils should wash their hands before arriving at school and once they leave school. Pupils are able to wear face masks to and from school, but these should be removed by the parent and taken home, either for disposal or to be washed and stored.

The School Office will only be accessible to parents after 9 am and social distancing must be observed. Please only enter the front reception 1 family at a time. The main reception doors will remain open as much as possible for increased ventilation and to enable you to see inside easily.

The School Day

Pupils will enjoy a broad and balanced curriculum, however there will be no large gathering such as community assemblies or collective worship. We have reduced the amount of soft furnishings within the classrooms where it is possible.

To facilitate collaborative learning pupils will be at desks but these desks do not have to be in rows. Pupils will have learning resources that will be cleaned regularly, additionally they will be provided with a personal stationery set that they will keep in their trays. In Year R, role play clothes will be washed regularly and pupils will be able to use water resources, sandpits and play dough with hand hygiene before and after each activity. This is because all the classes are kept as consistent groups and so resources can be safely shared, along with our additional hygiene measures.

Pupils will be able to select books in class, however books returning from home will be 'quarantined' for 48 hours before being put on the shelf. Reading records can be sent in as normal and additional hygiene measures will be taken when these are handled in school.

Lunchtimes will be 45 minutes and KS1 will have additional play in the afternoon. Lunchtimes are staggered within this to allow for cleaning, and for bubbles to not mix. The playground will be zoned to allow for active play, with equipment being cleaned between bubbles.

If it is your child's birthday and they wish to celebrate by bringing in sweets, these must be individually wrapped (i.e. Haribo)

What can my child bring to school?

Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with at least the child's first name and surname initial.

- Reading book
- Reading record
- Water bottle (school will no longer supply these)
- Book bag
- Lunchbox (except you are having school dinner)
- PE kit (this will stay in school for a term)
- Home learning (from the menu)
- Birthday sweets if prepacked
- Coats
- Hats
- Scarves
- Gloves
- Medication to be handed to the office which will then be distributed to the class
- Hand cream for use after increased handwashing and sanitiser (as with sun cream they will not be allowed to share this).
- Personal hand gel (labelled) however this is supplied in school.
- Mobile phones for Year 6 only

Social Distancing

The Government guidance recognises that social distancing is difficult for younger children and so it is acceptable for them to not distance however older pupils and staff will be expected to continue to socially distance outside of the classroom.

Staffing

Teachers and other staff can operate across different classes and communities to facilitate the delivery of the school timetable, however they will socially distance from pupils and other staff.

Attendance

Government have announced that attendance is compulsory from the start of the Autumn term. If pupils are not attending school, please inform the school with the specific reasons why your child is absent. If we have not heard from you we will follow our first day calling procedures. Requests for exceptional leave form available from the school office.

If your child is off school awaiting test results, or if your family start self-isolating, please continue to contact us daily so we stay up to date.

Shielding has paused since 1st August 2020, so pupils who were shielding, or living with extremely clinically vulnerable or clinically vulnerable people are able to return to school.

Please inform the school office (before 2:45pm) with the name of the person who is picking up the pupil if you are unable to attend.

Should you remain nervous about sending your child back to school, please contact us so we can discuss your concerns and address these to reassure you.

Medication

Medication that is stored in the fridge, should be handed to the office and the medical form completed. The person administering the prescribed medication will wash hands and may use gloves while dispensing the medication.

Medication that stays in school, i.e. epi pen and asthma pumps should be in date and clearly labelled. These can be handed in on the first day of term when dropping pupils off, a member of the office staff will be outside to assist you. Health care plans will be sent and completed electronically (via email) to ensure we have up to date information.

Presentation of symptoms

All parents/carers must ensure that their contact details are fully up to date. We will use the primary contact names as those adults who are on standby in case your child is unwell, or shows any potential Covid symptoms. Please contact the office by email with any changes as soon as possible. You must be able to immediately come and collect your child; they will be cared for in the front reception area by an adult who may be wearing PPE.

If anyone in your household is displaying any symptoms of coronavirus or has tested positive in the last 10 days they should not enter the school. If symptoms present they should self-isolate for at least 10 days following the onset of symptoms and a positive test. Other family members should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person developed their symptoms.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works#people-who-develop-symptoms-of-coronavirus>

If a pupil or member of staff is sent home with symptoms and then test positive, the school will contact the Health Protection Team and they will advise the school of the next steps.

We will shortly add a table of information to our website to summarise when children can return if they, a close contact or family member displays symptoms, is awaiting test results or are advised to isolate by NHS Test and Track.

Testing

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

Safety measures

Additional cleaning will be in place in school across the school day and equipment will be organised for pupils. Each class will have safely stored cleaning materials to provide additional regular cleaning, as well as PPE and a First Aid kit.

New lidded bins have been purchased in each classroom for pupils to use for 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' – pupils must then wash their hands.

On arrival and when leaving the school, doors will be held open where possible, reducing the number of touch points and pupils will be expected to wash/sanitise their hands. Children will be shown in class how to wash hand effectively, there will also be signage. Help will be available to pupils who have trouble cleaning their hands independently.

Handwashing is recommended frequently and is required at these times:

- Entry and exit of school
- After using the toilet
- Returning from break
- On entry to the dining hall
- Before and after eating
- On entry and exit from each classroom
- After sneezing and using the bin

Staff and visitors are directed to wash or sanitise hands on arrival to school.

Toilets have been allocated to groups of children and an adult will attend to ensure that it is 'one in one out' to minimise close contact.

Rooms will be well ventilated with windows open as much as possible.

Parent Meetings

Teachers will be able to meet parents, observing social distancing and only once an appointment has been made through the office. If you would prefer to wear a facemask during this meeting please bring your own as we do not hold a supply in school. We will be able to arrange Zoom meetings if you are unable to come in to school – these will be recorded and stored securely for 1 year.

Curriculum

Pupils will be receiving a broad and balanced curriculum when they return in September. Peripatetic teachers will continue to teach PE, Music and French (observing social distancing). Our Home Learning Menu will continue and pupils will be able to share this learning in school.

- Marking - Teachers will continue to give oral feedback on the learning produced by the pupils, and this will form part of their assessment.

What about remote learning if we are self-isolating?

If a pupil is isolating due to symptoms or awaiting test results, planning and learning will be added to the website for them to complete in a similar format to that used in term 6. This will be approximately 2-3 hours of home learning each day. This will be added to the Covid-19 tab on the website and will be organised by year group.

The teacher will also arrange a Zoom call for each week the pupil is away to remain in contact, these will be recorded and stored for a year. The only time these calls will not happen is if the Class Teacher is sent home by the HPT (Health Protection Team) and is then self-isolating. In that instance, they will use Purple Mash and the class email address to communicate with the children and yourselves.

Child's Play

The guidance has been updated on 20th August so further information will be sent out next week once we have confirmed how the guidance changes will be implemented. We intend to operate Child's Play but will need to take mitigating actions so that we can offer this provision as safely as possible.