

How is Knighton Mead Primary Academy ensuring a safe Opening for the new academic year?



In place from Wednesday 25th August 2021

Will be in place:

- Pedal bins in each room for tissue wastage
- All staff have engaged with training and briefings on the new policies and systems to ensure consistency
- Daily cleaning regimes in place
- Regular hand washing – facilities in every room
- It will only be possible for Y5 and Y6 to come to school on bikes and scooters as the racks are at their entrance
- Water bottles brought from home each day where possible
- Staff are doing lateral flow device tests twice a week to avoid asymptomatic adults with Covid-19 being onsite
- Assemblies to return to being in the hall altogether – no families to attend for now and will be reviewed at October half term
- Attendance for all is mandatory but if any children need to self-isolate, remote learning will be delivered
- All children will return to having lunch in the hall and full menu will be offered
- Anyone showing Covid-19 symptoms to not come onsite or to go straight home
- Breakfast Club will run in the hall – children to be dropped off at the Knighton Fields Rd West gate
- After School Clubs will run as normal – pick up from playgrounds
- All children to be dropped off at their relevant gate between 8:35am-8:55am
- All children to be collected from their relevant playground between 3:05pm-3:20pm – adults to use gates to exit and re-enter playgrounds if collecting from more than one
- Designated gates for groups of children and staff entering and exiting the site
 - Nursery and Reception – in and out through Thackery Street gate
 - Y1 and Y2 – Thackery Street gate
 - Y3 and Y4 – Sheridan Street gate
 - Y5 and Y6 - Knighton Fields Road West gate
- Hand washing posters and guidance displayed throughout the building
- All windows and doors open for ventilation throughout the day
- Cleaning packs in every room for staff to use
- Uniform is now expected to be worn by all children
- Increase in outdoor learning for all
- LCFC and other external providers will still be coming in to offer provision and have been briefed on all risk assessments and procedures
- Children to come to school in PE kits on the days they have PE (review at Oct half term)
- Educational Visits will begin to return as normal
- Bagels will be offered to all pupils each morning

Will no longer be in place:

- One-way systems in corridors and for external doors
- Children to have their own equipment and pencil case so no cross contamination
- Bubbles will have their own designated playground space and equipment will be quarantined between bubble use
- PPE available for staff for situations within 2m e.g. First Aid
- All adults to wear masks at all times – *now optional for children and adults*
- Hot dinners will be available, but all children will eat in their own classrooms, rather than the hall
- Signage around school including 2m markings on the floor
- No more than 1 parent to drop child off or in the front office at one time – call ahead if you can
- All parents to wear a face covering when onsite (unless we are notified that you are exempt) – staff will be on gates to offer masks to anyone who may not have one with them
- Bubbles of staff and children do not mix
- Risk assessments are in place for individuals who need them (children and staff)
- We will only have essential visitors and contractors on site
- Uniform is optional as we understand that buying new may not be possible currently

***these procedures are under constant review and development based on guidance and scientific findings from the government**