



Return to School March 2021

We are delighted to be able to welcome all our children back to school on Monday 8th March. The information provided below is a reminder of how we are operating the school day with a few amendments. It is imperative that we work together and adhere to procedures in place to keep the Moss Hey Community as safe as possible and to keep the school open.

Year Group Bubbles

We will be continuing to operate in bubbles as we have been doing in the autumn term; bubbles will be whole classes and limiting staff movement as much as feasibly possible. Children will stay in their bubble for lessons and unstructured times of the school day. These measures will ensure a limited school closure, should we receive a positive test result for COVID.

Arrival and Departure Times

We will continue to operate the school day with staggered start and finish times, break and lunchtimes. It is imperative these times are adhered to, to ensure the safe arrival and departure of ALL children and their families. This also allows movement to lockers and toilets without mixing bubbles. All classes apart from Year 5 and 6 will enter the classrooms directly using the classroom outside door. Year 5 and 6 will come through the normal door from the playground and then will go straight up to their classrooms.

Year Group	Start time	Finish time
Reception	8.40am	3pm
Year 1	8.55am	3.15pm
Year 2	8.40am	3pm
Year 3	8.40am	3.05pm
Year 4	8.50am	3.15pm
Year 5	8.50am	3.15pm
Year 6	8.40am	3.05pm

Drop off

- Children from Years 2-6 to continue to come into the school grounds alone. Please can we ask that parents do not stop at the gate and to remember to social distance from others.
- Please ensure that groups of parents do not congregate near the school gate or on Eskdale Avenue to keep a clear pathway for all families arriving.
- Please strictly adhere to the allocated arrival times for each year group and do not arrive early.

- As arranged before if siblings have a different start time they can come together and go straight to their classroom. Please inform your child's class teacher through Class Dojo if they will be coming in slightly earlier.
- Please do not stop in the middle of the road to allow children to get out of the car. Please ensure you can park up safely before letting your child out. You must not obstruct driveways when parking.

Collection

- Please strictly adhere to the staggered collection times and refrain from entering the school grounds early.
- Only **1 person per family** should come to collect your child/children to keep the number of people on the school grounds as low as possible.
- Children must not be collected by other families unless an exclusive childcare bubble has been formed between 2 families only. If this is the case, please inform your class teacher of this arrangement.
- We ask that all adults wear a face mask when coming onto school grounds to collect your child unless they are exempt from wearing them due to medical conditions.
- You must leave the school grounds promptly when you have your child. Staying in the playground increases congestion as other classes get ready to leave and increases the risk to us all.
- If you are waiting for a sibling, please ensure you social distance from other families and that any children already collected stay with you and are not running around on the field/playground.
- No scooters are to be ridden in the playground, please dismount and walk until you have left the school gate.

Curriculum

During the summer term we will be teaching our full curriculum offer, continuing with our termly themes and ensuring learning is exciting and varied. We will however concentrate on areas of learning that have been identified through assessments which will be done on the children's return.

Assemblies

In order to minimise the risks of Coronavirus transmission, the guidance still states to not hold whole school assemblies. Instead, children will take part in assemblies within their classroom.

Lunchtime

If your child would like a school dinner this can be ordered as normal using the online system, however this must be done before your child comes into school – we cannot order lunches on the day. Children eat in their classrooms and have a designated area outside to play. Bubbles will not mix during lunchtime and the same adults will be linked to the classes.

Out of School Club

Our Out of School club will be operational from the 8th March when children return back to school. Further details will follow shortly.

Displaying Symptoms

Pupils must not come into the school if:

- they have one or more coronavirus (COVID-19) <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works#part-1-people-who-develop-symptoms-of-coronavirus>
- a member of their household (including someone in their support bubble or childcare bubble if they have one) has coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms
- they are required to quarantine having recently visited countries outside the
- Common Travel Area
<https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control/self-isolating-when-you-arrive>
- they have had a positive test

They must immediately cease to attend and not attend for at least 10 days from the day after:

- the start of their symptoms
- the test date if they did not have any symptoms but have had a positive test

School must be informed if a child is isolating and all positive cases must be reported to school immediately.

If a child develops symptoms during the school day and is awaiting collection, they will be taken to the room next to the computer suite, where they can be isolated; they will be supervised by a member of staff. The door will be open for ventilation. PPE must be worn by staff caring for the child while they await collection.

Attendance

Attendance in school is compulsory and therefore the usual attendance policies will be in operation. If a child is isolating or shielding, then home learning will be set by their teacher. If a parent feels their child will not be able to attend school, we ask them to email admin@mosshey.stockport.sch.uk as soon as possible with relevant information so this can be discussed further.

School Office

The school office will be open but we are asking parents to only enter the school if absolutely necessary and that where possible communication to be done through email.

School closure

By following our risk assessment thoroughly we hope to avoid any closures however school will close if advised by the local health protection team if there is a suspected outbreak. We will also close if instructed by the Government or the Local Authority as a result of a national or local lockdown.

If any bubbles close, remote learning will be accessed through Seesaw and if the teacher is well Microsoft Teams sessions will be arranged. Work set will be continuing the sequence of learning from the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support. It is really important that we work together to keep the Moss Hey community as safe as possible and reduce the risk of bubble closures.

Kind regards,

Mrs Messham