

MARSHFIELD CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL**Learning together, inspiring each other, achieving our best**Headteacher
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SN14 8NYThursday 4th March 2021**Full return to school details**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The team have been busily getting the classes and school ready and we are very excited to be welcoming children back to school on Monday. The risk assessment has been fully reviewed and we have included an updated version of important information for parents with this email (additional attachment).

We will be continuing with staggered timetables and there are a few minor tweaks to start and end times. It is crucial that children arrive at the designated time and follow the one way system to ensure we are able to: avoid groupings of parents/ children, remain socially distanced, and start classes on time. As always, siblings can arrive at the earliest of your children's start times and be collected at the latest (please do not collect one child at the earlier time and wait on site for siblings- this creates additional clusters that must be avoided).

Class	Arrival time	Collection time	PE Days
Fruit Bat	8.30	3.00	Monday/ Tuesday
Tamarins	8.40	3.10	Tuesday/ Friday
Snow Leopards	8.45	3.20	Tuesday/ Wednesday
Orangutan	8.50	3.25	Thursday/ Friday
Sea Turtles	8.55	3.30	Thursday/ Friday

Children should return, where possible, in school uniform and wear PE kit to school on PE days. We appreciate that many of the children will have grown and that it will be difficult to buy replacement uniform (including footwear). Therefore we ask that you do your best until replacement items can be bought - we will be flexible too.



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School Uniform

Uniform helps develop a sense of identification and community. At Marshfield Primary School we have a basic uniform which consists of:

- White shirt/polo shirt (school logo option available online)
- Navy sweatshirts or cardigans (school logo options available online)
- Grey or navy trousers/skirt/pinafore
- Summer option – grey or navy shorts (smart – not sports or casual style), blue/white check or stripe dress
- Sensible black shoes (no trainers, heels or sling backs)
- White, black, grey or navy plain socks or tights
- Wellington boots (these must be worn in winter/wetter months if children wish to play on the field/forested area)
- Waterproofs/puddle suit (for Reception children)

For PE and Games: **(Please ensure track suits are plain navy)**

- White, red or blue t-shirt (depending on child's house – school logo options available online)
- Navy shorts
- **Plain navy** sweatshirt/hoody (school logo option available online)
- **Plain navy** jogging bottoms (please no multi-coloured sports leggings)
- Trainers

Please follow this link to order uniform [Marshfield \(Chippenham\) \(monkhouse.com\)](https://www.monkhouse.com/Marshfield-Chippenham)

Other equipment/Seesaw

Children may bring a **small** bag to school holding their **drinks bottle** and **packed lunch**- please avoid sending large backpacks or additional items in to school. Children should not bring in their own stationary/pencil case or other items.

For children who are isolating, the Seesaw class will still be operating. It will also continue to be used for homework and blended learning where needed.

Testing for families

You may also have seen or heard that **families with school age children will be offered two Covid rapid tests a week** under plans for schools to safely reopen in England from 8th March. **Free tests will be provided to pupils' households**, as well as those in their childcare or support bubbles.

Information about where families can access the tests can be found in the government guidance document entitled: [Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff](#).

There will be a number of ways of accessing these rapid home tests. South Gloucestershire



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council is working hard to provide kits for collection from sites in the community and this information will be shared once available.

For now:

- Rapid home testing kits can be booked for home delivery here: www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests
- Or take a test at one of the council's rapid testing sites in Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre, Kingswood Leisure Centre and Yate Parish Hall. Slots can be booked on our website www.southglos.gov.uk/book-rapid-test

Symptoms and action

Whilst the infection rate is reducing, it is important that we are still vigilant and protect each other. Any person with the following symptoms must remain at home and book a Covid test.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If you have any of these symptoms, get a test to check if you have coronavirus and stay at home until you get your result.

Please let us know via the admin email if your child/ household is having and test and let us know the results as soon as possible. This way we are able to track and trace any contacts and reduce the risk of infection.

Zones of Regulation

To support our wonderful young people in returning to school, and in managing their emotions in the future, we will be introducing the Zones of Regulation curriculum throughout the school. Mrs Tilley has been leading the school through this development and all staff received training throughout the lockdown. Information for parents is attached and we hope to have a virtual information evening too.

Returning

Many children will be very excited to return to school and see their friends whilst others may be apprehensive and worried – do contact us and let us know if this is the case. As always, we do everything we can to help.

Please do contact us if you have any questions.

Jessica Bolt and the Marshfield Team



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