



REOPENING ARRANGEMENTS FOR MARCH 8th 2021

The virus is still in the community and as before, please help us to work together to keep the rates of infection as low as possible. Staggered start and finish times are still in operation. Basically it is as we were before Christmas with more testing available.

Please remember that until restrictions are lifted, we are still in lockdown.

<p>Drop off and collection</p>	<p>NURSERY: Morning Class – 8.30am – 11.30am (Crest Road Gate) : Afternoon Class – 12.30am – 3.30pm (Crest Road Gate)</p> <p>RECEPTION: 8.40am – 8.50am Drop off/ 3pm collection (Crest Road gate)</p> <p>YEAR 1: 8.40am – 8.50am Drop off/ 3pm collection (Green Close Gate)</p> <p>YEAR 2: 8.50am – 9am Drop off/ 3.15pm collection (Green Close Gate)</p> <p><i>NB: Previous arrangements in place for siblings needing to be dropped off at different gates at the same time, will still be honored.</i></p> <p>* As before please avoid arriving too early or too late and maintain social distancing at all times. Please collect your child promptly at the end of the day to ensure smooth release of your children.</p> <p>*Face coverings should be worn, unless you are exempt. This is to protect yourself and others, in case a 2m distance cannot be observed.</p>
<p>Testing (added 4.3.21 due to new information)</p>	<p>Medway Council is encouraging all households with school age children to get a test before children return to school on the 8th March and we would urge you to do so.</p> <p>You can access a test via</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employers if they offer testing to employees at a local site • By collecting a home test kit from a test site: Details found here <p>By ordering a home test kit online: Details found here</p> <p>The full guidance can be read here: https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests?fbclid=IwAR3vhiPc3I9JbvOn0YMyN0ibidCYKJRZZzDCC3VaGNUJFGN6ZhilcQUm7LE</p> <p><i>To reassure you, all staff in school also have access to testing twice a week and we are getting used to it and very efficient at it!</i></p>
<p>Organisation – added for clarity</p>	<p>The children will stay in their bubbles (usually class groups) and not mix with other bubbles during school hours.</p> <p>After school football clubs and child care facilities can reopen but parents are advised to minimise the number of different settings their children attend in a week.</p> <p>Nursery: Morning Group and separate Afternoon Group</p> <p>Reception – a year group bubble</p> <p>Year 1 & 2 – class bubbles</p> <p>After school football clubs and child care facilities can reopen but the advice to parents is to minimise the number of different settings their children attend in a week.</p>
<p>What to wear</p>	<p>SCHOOL UNIFORM must be worn from 8th March. Ties are optional.</p>

	<p>We appreciate that some children may have grown out of uniform but we do have a lot of good quality second hand uniform we can provide. If you need this please contact Louise via the school office email (office@crestinf.medway.sch.uk)</p>
What to bring (added)	<p>The children will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A named water bottle daily (which will be sent home each evening to be cleaned and refilled) • Their book bag, once a week as before: <p>Year 1 & Reception: Fridays</p> <p>Year 2: Mrs Georgieva's Class – Tuesdays</p> <p>Mrs Stutely & Mrs Campbell's Class – Wednesdays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE - kits to be worn on the days the classes have PE – see below • Coat – lightweight but weather dependent <p>No other items should be brought into school at this time (see below for packed lunch containers)</p>
Lunch	<p>Children will stay in class bubbles (Reception in a year group bubble).</p> <p>Eating in the Hall will be on a rota system in bubbles until the end of term to minimise transference of the virus.</p> <p>The rota has now been be sent out separately but week 1:</p> <p><i>Eat in Hall – Reception, Penguin Class and the children in the current Polar Bear Class room.</i></p> <p>The other children will be offered either a warm or sandwich option packed lunch from the school kitchen and will eat in their classrooms.</p> <p>**Home packed lunches need to continue to be brought in in throw away bags please.</p>
Attendance	<p>Attendance is now compulsory so please follow the usual attendance procedures in letting us know if your child is unwell.</p> <p>Medical or dental appointments need to be booked for children outside of school hours to minimise the need for children to be picked up during the school day.</p>
Symptoms?	<p>If your child or anyone else in your household is displaying symptoms of coronavirus, no one in your household or support bubble should attend school or work. A test should be booked and the 10-day isolation process followed.</p> <p>Please notify the school as soon as possible of any cases in the home.</p> <p>The risk is still there so should a case be identified, the relevant 'bubble' will need to isolate for 10 days from the last contact with the infected person. At this point our home learning strategy will be implemented.</p>
Communication	<p>Please make sure the school has your most recent means of communication especially if you have renewed your mobile phone recently.</p> <p>As the office will remain closed to visitors for now, please continue to communicate via telephone, ParentMail or email to the office.</p> <p>Please note, the year Y1 & Y2 year group emails will not be in use from Friday 5th March and the EYFS one will revert back to just being for parents to communicate achievements at home.</p>
PE Days	<p>For this term:</p> <p><u>Monday:</u> Turtle & Penguin Classes</p> <p><u>Tuesday:</u> Reception - both</p> <p><u>Wednesday:</u> Year 2 – both Classes ** note the change</p> <p><u>Thursday:</u> Seahorse Class</p> <p>PE kits to be worn into school on PE days, as before.</p>
Forest School	<p>The children should still have Wellingtons in school but if your child took theirs home, please remember to bring them back in.</p> <p>The school has enough coveralls now to provide one for each child on their Forest School day.</p>
Clubs and other activities	<p>MFSE football club will run from Tuesday 9th March.</p> <p>We will let you know when other clubs will resume.</p>