

*How can I contact staff in the year group if we are socially distancing?*

You can contact staff by emailing us at [admin@sebertwood.co.uk](mailto:admin@sebertwood.co.uk)

*Will the breakfast club and after school club be available?*

Places for extended schools can be booked by emailing [admin@sebertwood.co.uk](mailto:admin@sebertwood.co.uk). Places are limited and booked on a first come, first served basis. Unfortunately, we can only accept those pupils that have been booked in, ad-hoc bookings are not available.

*What should I do if my children have different start and finish times?*

Parents and pupils can stay on school grounds for a short period of time between drop offs and/or collections, but must socially distance from others (1 metre or more) wherever possible and avoid any gatherings.

*What should I do if my children have been allocated different entry and exit points?*

In this instance we would recommend you choose the most suitable entry/exit point for your family and enter/exit the school grounds together as a family, but please avoid mixing or congregating and maintain a distance of 1 metre or more.

*Can I bring my child to the school site early and leave them on their own to wait for the classroom doors to open?*

No. When dropping children off please wait with them (socially distanced of course) until the classroom doors open.

*Do we use the same entry and exit gate in adverse weather?*

Yes. The specified gates must be used in all weather conditions to avoid excessive congestion on the school site.

*Which gate should I come through if I am dropping my child off for an afternoon session at Nursery?*

Afternoon nursery children should be brought through the main Sebert Road gate.

*What should I do if I arrive at school late?*

Parents should contact the school office in advance – office staff will then let you know if the child has to go to their assigned external door or if gates are already locked then staff from the bubble will meet them at the front office.

*Can my child travel to and from school independently?*

Children in Years 5&6 can travel to and from school independently, although they are encouraged to not mix with other year group bubbles. Parents must explain to them about social distancing to and from school.

*Will the bike sheds be open?*

Yes, the bike sheds will be open.

*Can my child bring in a snack?*

Yes. Children may bring in a snack from home in a named box or sandwich bag.

*Will lunchtimes be staggered?*

Yes. First sitting will be 11.45-12.30 and second sitting 12.30- 1.15. For some pupils this will be later than they are used to so remember to bring in a morning snack. School dinners and pack lunches will be eaten in the classrooms.

*Will my child be given reading books?*

Children will be given a reading book which they keep in school. Once finished, it will be taken out of general circulation for at least 72 hours.

*Will my child need to bring in a water bottle?*

Yes. All children should bring in a clearly labelled water bottle which will remain on their desk. These must never be shared.

*Will children have their own pencil case?*

Yes, every child will be provided with their own pencil case containing pencils, colouring pencils, scissors, glue, rubber and pencil sharpeners.

*Can children bring mobile phones to school?*

Whilst we don't encourage them, pupils in Years 5&6 can, if parents wish, bring a mobile phone to school but these must be handed into their class teacher at the start of the day. They are then locked away until the end of the school day.

*Will the school dinners be provided?*

Hot dinners are available but they are on a fixed menu. As always medical and dietary requirements are taken into account.

*How do I make payments to the school?*

All payments should be made via school gateway as opposed to cash payments.

*Will children or staff wear masks or PPE?*

Staff do not have to wear masks or PPE when standing at the front of the classroom but will do so when working closely to a pupil or moving around the classroom. Current guidance does not recommend that primary age children wear masks in school.

*What happens if there is a confirmed case of coronavirus in school?*

When a child, young person or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus, they should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 7 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 10 days. All staff and students who are attending an education or childcare setting will have access to a test if they display symptoms of coronavirus, and are encouraged to get tested in this scenario.

Where the child, young person or staff member tests negative, they can return to their setting and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.

Where the child, young person or staff member tests positive, the rest of their bubble will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 10 days. The other household members of that wider class or group do not need to self-isolate unless the child, young person or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.

*Will the school take my child's temperature every day?*

No, but we may take their temperature if a child displays symptoms.

*What will happen if a child in the class shows symptoms?*

If anyone becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature in an education or childcare setting, they must be sent home and advised to follow the [COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection guidance](#).

If a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved, if possible, to a room where they can be isolated behind a closed door, depending on the age of the child and with appropriate adult supervision if required. Ideally, a window should be opened for ventilation. If it is not possible to isolate them, move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.

*What if another child 'coughs' deliberately in someone else's face?*

School will take this very seriously. We will explain to the child the dangers and consequences of these actions. Parents will be telephoned and may have to come and collect their child resulting in a possible fixed term exclusion.