



Ackton Pastures Primary Academy



Parent Information: Classes, phases and bubbles

Class and phase bubbles:

In order to minimise the contacts your children have in the school day we are required to organise children into bubbles that stay together all the time. Each phase will be a bubble and classes within that bubble will remain separate where ever possible, with their teacher and support staff member. They will share the same start and finish times, the same playtimes and assembly times and the same lunch times. They will have their own designated area of the playground to play on, and their own play equipment.

In their classroom, each child will have a designated seat. This will be part of a seating plan. It will help staff to plan teaching and will also help us to identify close contacts in the event of an infection in a bubble.

When moving about school to go to play for example, pupils will be taught how to walk in their line in order. Pupils nearest the class door leaving first and pupils at the rear of the class entering first. This will minimise pupils passing each other unnecessarily. The children will practise this routine on the first day back.

Each bubble will share the same set of toilets nearest their classrooms. Children will not use toilets allocated to different bubbles. The toilets will be cleaned more frequently than normal, and pupils will be expected to thoroughly wash their hands when using the toilet. The children will be taught this on the first day back.

The curriculum:

Learning will take place as normal on their return. Children will have all lessons as normal, with the exception of music (singing and the sharing of instruments is not advised at this time). In order to assess any gaps in learning that have happened over the lockdown period, we will be completing standardised assessments of pupils in the core subjects (Reading, Writing and Maths). We will then be planning a catch up programme for all pupils who require additional support.

Remote learning:

In the event of a further local lockdown, school will be developing further the remote learning offer for all pupils. This will include exploring additional online learning platforms. We will be in contact early in the Autumn Term to explore families connectivity and ability to participate in online learning. For those families who do not have access to online learning, we will provide resources such as work books that can be taken home to allow learning to continue daily.