



# Beeches Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As I write this, I am sure that you find yourselves making last minute arrangements, like us, due to the late announcement by the government. Today we have put plans in place for our critical/key workers and our vulnerable, who can start school full time from tomorrow, 6<sup>th</sup>. We have sent texts to parents where a place has been confirmed and where we have been provided with evidence (examples of evidence include; work photo ID, payslip, letter from employer)

However, the Government message is clear, it is safer to be at home. Where you don't have to travel, don't.

This letter overrides yesterday's letter

	Start school	Finish school
Reception key worker/vulnerable	8.45am (usual doors)	3.10pm (usual doors)
Y1 key worker/vulnerable	8.50am (usual doors)	3.15pm (usual doors)
Y2 key worker/vulnerable	8.50am (usual doors)	3.15pm (usual doors)

The children in the above categories will be working in year group bubbles, which is what we did before. This will enable us to provide on-site education as well as off site, remote learning. Siblings can be dropped off and collected at the same time as each other. School uniform to be worn.

### Keeping your distance at the classroom door

You will understand that we MUST strictly adhere to the 2m spacing when collecting and dropping children at school. A box has been taped outside each room which indicates NOT to enter. Please respect the teachers space when talking with them.

Please do not come on to the premises if you have symptoms. Wear masks on school site and maintain social distancing at all times. Please help us to keep safe.





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### School Lunches

School will provide lunch to all key worker/vulnerable pupils in school, unless you provide your child with their own lunch box. For a school dinner you **MUST** order in the usual way using the School Grid. For those eligible for benefit related free school meals, a fortnightly hamper will be provided for you. You will be sent a text message confirming you are eligible. This will need to be collected by you on Monday at 12 o'clock from outside the office.

### For those children who remain at home/remote learning

We have taken a sensible approach to this whilst ensuring all government guidelines are met. Your child will have a timetable with sessions to attend remotely every day. Follow the link for your year group:

Reception	<a href="http://beechesinfantschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/A-typical-day-in-Reception-final.pdf">http://beechesinfantschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/A-typical-day-in-Reception-final.pdf</a>
Y1	<a href="http://beechesinfantschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/A-typical-day-in-Year-1.pdf">http://beechesinfantschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/A-typical-day-in-Year-1.pdf</a>
Y2	<a href="http://beechesinfantschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/A-typical-day-in-Year2-final.pdf">http://beechesinfantschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/A-typical-day-in-Year2-final.pdf</a>

All children who remain at home are expected to complete their learning. Ours can be accessed either by phone, tablet or laptop. We recognise that not all families will have the equipment they need, which is why we continue to put home learning as an alternative every week on our website. This contains a week of learning activities which can be completed offline. When the work has been completed, please take a photograph and email on Fridays to [s.long@beechesinf.bham.sch.uk](mailto:s.long@beechesinf.bham.sch.uk) Currently we do not have any equipment to loan as we have not been able to access funding from the previous government laptop scheme. I will keep you informed if this changes.

Please direct all queries to the school office on [enquiry@beechesinf.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@beechesinf.bham.sch.uk)

As information changes, we will maintain in regular contact.

We are all experiencing an extraordinary moment in time and I sincerely hope you and your families are in good health. Best wishes from everyone here.

Mrs Vicky Colley

Head Teacher

