



D'EYNCOURT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Welcome back!

It is wonderful to welcome you all back to D'Eyncourt after such an uncertain time and we are so happy to see you all back in school.– the teachers enjoy having full and lively classrooms again!

We would first like to say thank you for all of your efforts over this unprecedented time and, as we move into a 'new normal', we value your support more than ever.

Included here is some information about what school is like - we appreciate it is daunting at the moment but we are doing everything we can to ensure school is as safe as possible for your child. Also, although some things are different, it is still the same happy school you remember.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Mrs D Darby, Headteacher

Contact Details

Please could you ensure that the school office have the correct contact details for you. This is very important in the current climate. If you have changed your number over the summer, please let the office know ASAP.

Thank you.

Returning Safely

Across school, we will continue to follow the guidelines set out by Public Health England. This means that children and staff will need to wash their hands upon arrival and departure from school. Posters can be found around school reminding children and adults to wash their hands regularly.

Safety Measures

In order to keep children and staff safe we have:

- Robust hand washing in place
- Clear policies for attendance and reporting of coronavirus symptoms
- Kept children in class 'bubbles'
- Staggered start/end times and playtimes and lunchtimes to limit contact
- Sat children front facing in classrooms to minimise risk (not reception)

Wolverhampton Council Official Term Dates

Autumn Term 2020

Term Time: Tuesday 1 September 2020 to Friday 23 October 2020

Half Term: Monday 26 October 2020 to Friday 30 October 2020

Term Time: Monday 2 November 2020 to Friday 18 December 2020

Spring Term 2021

Term Time: Monday 4 January 2021 to Friday 12 February 2021

Half Term: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021

Term Time: Monday 22 February 2021 to Thursday 1 April 2021

Summer Term 2021

Term Time: Monday 19 April 2021 to Friday 28 May 2021

Half Term: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

Term Time: Monday 7 June 2021 to Wednesday 21 July 2021

Inset days 2020—2021 so far

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Monday 19th July 2021

Tuesday 20th July 2021

Wednesday July 2021



Office Hours

Our office hours are:
8.00am- 4.00pm daily

Breakfast/After School Club

Before and after-school care is very important to many parents and we are working hard to try to ensure that we can offer this at some point this term. Unfortunately, we will not be able to run our usual range of clubs and we cannot offer our usual breakfast/after school club at present due to government guidance. More updates will follow. Thank you for your understanding with this.



Trips

We have decided not to have school trips in the Autumn term and aim to be back to offering educational visits in 2021.

The School Day

In order to follow the DfE guidance, we have as a temporary measure put in place staggered start and end times. This is to minimise the numbers of people on the site at any one time—**these times must be adhered to. Where possible, can one person per household drop off/ pick up children from school.**

We are operating a one- way system with the entry being the KS1 gate and exit being the KS2 gate. Our back gate will not be open due to health and safety reasons.

Year group	Start of the day	Lunchtime	End of the day
Reception	From 21.9.20 8.50am	From 21.9.20 12.00pm-12.30pm	From 21.9.20 2.50pm
Year 1	From 3 rd September- 8.45am	12.00pm-12.30pm	From 3 rd September- 2.45pm
Year 2	From 3 rd September- 8.45am	12.00pm-12.30pm	From 3 rd September- 2.45pm
Year 3	From 2 nd September- 8.55am	12.30pm-1.00pm	From 2 nd September- 2.55pm
Year 4	From 2 nd September- 8.55am	12.30pm-1.00pm	From 2 nd September- 2.55pm
Year 5	From 3 rd September- 9.00am	12.30pm-1.00pm	From 3 rd September- 3.00pm
Year 6	From 3 rd September- 9.00am	12.30pm-1.00pm	From 3 rd September- 3.00pm

Reception:

WB **07/09/20** 8.50am—
11.30am

WB **14/09/20**

8.50am—1.00pm

WB **21/09/20**

8.50am—2.50pm

What should my child bring to school?

At the moment we are not encouraging children bringing a bag into school. On PE days, children must come to school in their PE kit—they can wear a dark tracksuit and trainers. PE will start from next week.

Curriculum

As a school, we have put together a 'Recovery Curriculum' and staff have attended training as we continue to look at best practice and how we can support children with their return to education. The important thing is though, that we will always look at where children are and take it from there.

For the first couple of weeks, the whole school will be focusing on one text as a way of bringing the whole school together.

The book is called, 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers.



Books

It is very important that children are able to continue reading books. When children are in school they can choose a book to keep on their table till they have finished reading. When they return these, they will be left for 72 hours before anyone else is allowed to borrow them. We also have access to ebooks online using Oxford Owl.—Type Oxford Owl into your search engine and use these usernames and passwords:

Year 1 = dcyour1 Password = School1

Year 2 = dcyour2 Password = School1

Year 3 = Deyncourty3 Password = Books3

Year 4 = Deyncourty4 Password = Books4

Year 5 = Deyncourtyear5 Password = Books5



Y5/6 Walking Home

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you would like them to walk home alone, please put it in writing to your child's class teacher or email the office at office@deyncourtprimary.com Thank

COVID 19 advice

To ensure the safety of the school community, please do not send children to school if they are feeling poorly. If anyone in your family shows any symptoms of Covid-19 we ask that you self-isolate until you have a negative test result. We ask that if your child has a temperature, they do not come to school even if they feel well. If they become ill during the school day, we have a small, well-ventilated room for them to wait in until they are collected. Adults will wear PPE when working with children if they show symptoms of Covid19. To ensure children's safety, social distancing measures will be in force in the school corridors as much as possible. Children will remain in their bubbles during outdoor play and any equipment that is used will be cleaned after use. Cleaning of touch points and facilities has been increased across the school site. Children will be encouraged to wash hands at regular intervals.

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

If your child develops any of the 3 following symptoms, whether at school or at home, your child must self-isolate and you must arrange a test for them.

- a new persistent cough
- loss of taste or smell
- a high temperature

If your child seems unwell, is getting worse or you think there is something seriously wrong, call 999.

NON COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

If your child does not have any of the COVID-19 symptoms but does;

- Feel unwell but has a temperature of less than 37.8c
- Vomit or has diarrhoea,
- Have a sore throat,
- Have a loss of appetite,
- Have a rash,
- Have fatigue / aches,
- or have any other general illnesses or is feeling unwell.... you are advised to monitor the child closely.

If any of the 3 main COVID-19 symptoms develop you must follow the government guidance on self-isolation and arrange a test for your child.

The school will contact you after 48 hours to check if your child has been COVID-19 symptom free.

If your child does not develop one of the three main COVID-19 symptoms, they can return to school after the symptoms have stopped.

Building work

As you will have seen, the builders have been very busy over the summer creating our new carpark—there is still work to be done mainly finishing touches and of course the new classroom needs to be completed. We are pleased with how the work is progressing and can't wait to get into the new classroom once it is finished!

Cash in school

Due to Covid `19 we will not be taking any cash payments any more—all monies must be paid using Simspay. If you do not know your login details, please contact the office via phone or email at office@deyncourtprimary.com

Thank you.