



Wibsey Primary School
North Road, Wibsey, Bradford, BD6 1RL

Update from Mr Cooper – Friday 26th February 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I can tell you today that plans are well advanced for our reopening on the 8th March to all pupils. We are finalising a Risk Assessment with all staff at the beginning of next week and then we will be sharing it with you.

There will be a lot of similarities with the September '20 reopening – simply because we have the same building and the same staff, so some things haven't changed. The changes that have occurred e.g. mask wearing at drop off and pick up times will stay in place. We are introducing the sunflower badge scheme for people who are exempt from wearing facemasks and the details for how to provide evidence and receive one of these from school will come out next week. Once the scheme is up and running it will be mask on or sunflower badge, or sadly no entry to the school site. The default position is masks on as we want to keep everyone safe.

We will have to be strict about the one person drop off – no older siblings or your partners. Again – if you need support you will be able to provide evidence and apply for a sunflower badge.

The problem we will continue to have is the 2m distancing on the road and on the site. We will revert back to longer opening and closing times (watch out for the new exact timings) as this helped a lot. We will be asking you to manage this yourselves – but sadly where we have people who are consistently inconsiderate we may have to put you to the back of the queue for site entry. This is the area, along with parking, where we need not just your support but your community spirit and care.

We are finalising menus so that every child will have a daily hot food option as well as all the other choices, and ensuring that school feels as familiar as it did in December.

Finally, we are going to spend the time up to Easter not only making sure our children get a good solid set of lessons in English and Maths and across the rest of the curriculum, we are going to look at wider wellbeing, settling back in, behaviour, socialising and friendships. We want to take care of the whole child and ensure a smooth transition back in to school.

Below I attach a link to a letter to you from the Secretary of State for Education, a link to the Governments scientific documents that they used when ordering the reopening of schools and as ever the children's message from George and Mildred (who I am determined we will get into school when we can have assemblies together again).

I am so looking forwards to the 8th and having our whole school back together. It will mean the world to me to see all of your children again.

Have a lovely weekend

Nigel Cooper
Headteacher – Team Wibsey

George and Mildred's message for Team Wibsey Children

This week our Dad has been looking at old photographs. He found this one from when we were about 1-year-old – how cute were we!!!!!! He thinks he might have shared this last year – but he is so excited about seeing you all and making sure everything is lovely for you coming back he can't remember. We said it was his age.



If you have been learning at home and are getting ready next week to be back in on the 8th March, we would just say don't stress out. We've checked and all the staff will be ready for you, the routines will be pretty much the same and you will be able to see all your class friends again. There will be lots of time to think and talk about any worries or happy thoughts.

We hope to see you soon

George & Mildred

For children in school: - the menu w/c Monday 1st March

Usual daily choices – Jacket Potatoes, Paninis and Sandwiches, home-made confectionary and fruit.

Hot Options

Monday – Pasta Arrabiata

Tuesday – Sausages and Wedges

Wednesday – Roast Turkey dinner

Thursday – Pizza

Friday – Fish and Chips

Government Information sharing for parents from Mr Cooper (ctrl and click to open)

- An [open letter from the Secretary of State for Education to parents](#)
- Government [evidence summary](#) for reopening schools