



Maltby
Lilly Hall Academy

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd firstly like to thank you all for your cooperation, flexibility and patience throughout the last school year. It has been a time in school like no other and I wish to extend my gratitude to each and every family for their unwavering support in what has been a truly unusual time. Your children, as always have been an absolute credit to the school and yourselves considering the turbulent time they have been through and deserve immense admiration for their resilience and determination.

With the government announcement that schools can begin to return to normality from July 19th, I write with details of what we intend school will look like when your child returns in September.

However, please note this guidance is subject to change according to government guidance, possible outbreak management strategies and the prevalence of Covid-19 on return to school. I will be communicating with all parents and carers in late August to confirm these arrangements or highlight any possible changes which may be required. This represents our preferred option if government guidance allows this in September, but please be aware if guidance changes then some or all of these arrangements could be altered.

One-way system

The one-way system will remain in place in September. This has been successful in ensuring a steady flow of parents, carers and children through school whilst minimising contact. Entrance will remain as the Lilly Hall Road entrance and exit will be via the Cliff Hill gate.

Start and end of the school day

In accordance with new government guidance, we are planning to remove the staggered start and end of the school day. We therefore aim to revert to our usual start time of 8.45am and our end time of 3.15pm. If you have siblings to drop off, please do so in good time at the appropriate entrance and they should be dropped off as you make your way around the one-way system. Childminders, please drop children off and pick up as you would have done before the pandemic, but following the one-way system.

Teachers and classrooms are now back to normal and you should drop off your child and pick them up in the following places:

Teacher and year group	Classroom entrance next year
Mrs Searson, Miss Pritchard, Miss Brown (EYFS)	Foundation unit entrance
Mrs Jones & Mrs Campbell (Y1)	Y1 classroom entrance – green gate
Mr Jones (Y1)	Y1 classroom entrance – green gate
Miss Murdoch (Y2)	Y2 classroom entrance under shelter (currently Mr Jones)
Mr Hoskins (Y2)	No change – Y2 entrance near the courtyard

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Mr Banks (Y3)	No change – Y3 entrance near Cliff Hill gate
Mrs Mellor (Y3)	No change – Y3 entrance near Cliff Hill gate
Miss Williamson (Y4)	No change – Y4 entrance
Miss Lindley (Y4)	No change – Y4 entrance
Miss Denton (Y5)	No change – Y5/6 entrance
Mrs Watts / Mrs Dougherty (Y5)	No change – Y5/6 entrance
Mrs Hepworth (Y6)	No change – Y5/6 entrance
Miss Turnbull (Y6)	No change – Y5/6 entrance

Please note Y5 will now be upstairs in the KS2 building and Y6 will be downstairs.

Breakfast Club

We are planning to ensure Breakfast Club will be back up and running from September 6th. It will begin as it did pre-pandemic at 8.10am and be held until 8.40am as the children make their way to class. Please follow the one-way system round to the large hall entrance and drop your child there if they are attending. The price will remain at £2 per day (£10 for the week), but any child in receipt of pupil premium funding will be admitted free of charge.

The school day

Classrooms are planned to be back to normal and groups of children should be sitting face to face again which benefits learning in the classroom. Face to face school assemblies will be reinstated (although these may be staggered initially) and your child is planned to eat their lunch in the hall as they did pre-pandemic (again, this may be staggered initially). Children will likely be allowed to mix with children from other year groups, but only where necessary. Break times are planned to be split into KS1 and KS2 as they were pre-pandemic. If your child rode a bike or scooter to school this is planned to be allowed from September and they can be parked in the bike shelter. Please do not let your child ride a bike or scooter once on the school premises.

We aim for extra-curricular activities and after school clubs to be reinstated in the autumn term. Further details on when these will occur and which activities are available will be distributed once the children return to school in September.

Equipment

We aim for all equipment be back into classrooms and shared amongst pupils as it would be normally. Bags are planned to be allowed back into school, but please no pencil cases. Children will be allowed to bring a water bottle into school, no juice please. PPE is still available for staff and pupils to wear in school, but this is no longer recommended.



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Hygiene

Hygiene is still of paramount importance and children will be reminded of this regularly. Your child will still be asked to clean their hands for 20 seconds at regular points during the day – this will include before and after breaks and lunch. Posters to remind children about handwashing and to use hand sanitiser will be prevalent in every classroom. Additional hand sanitiser units will remain around school to help with this. Outside units can continue to be used by parents and carers where necessary.

Communication

Please continue to communicate with school via phone, email or MyEd – these are the best and most effective ways of contacting us. Communication in person is now allowed in school, but we please ask that any parent coming into reception wears a mask or a visor and we will be limiting the number of parents and carers in reception at any one time to 2. Medical records for children have been moved to their new areas, it is important you communicate any updates to these with school as soon as possible. We aim for parent's evenings to resume as face to face meetings, but will confirm this in the Autumn term.

Cleaning

Classrooms will continue to be cleaned daily. Cleaning products remain available in all classrooms and teachers and teaching assistants will be cleaning surfaces throughout the day as and when necessary. Classrooms will continue to be well ventilated.

Illness and positive cases of Covid-19

As per updated government guidance, we are planning to no longer use year group or class 'bubbles' within school (unless as part of an outbreak management plan). This being the case, if a child or member of staff tests positive for Covid-19, we plan that the whole class will not now be sent to isolate. Along with the positive case, only close contacts who are determined and contacted by NHS Test and Trace (working with the positive case to determine these) will need to isolate.

If your child has Covid-19 symptoms, however mild, you should not send them to school and follow public health advice – this will involve getting a PCR test. Any child showing symptoms of Covid-19 in school will continue to be sent home and should get tested.

Any member of staff or pupil who tests positive on a lateral flow test should not attend school and get a confirmatory PCR test. If this test is negative, then the member of staff or pupil can return to school.

Remote education

In line with government requirements, if your child has to isolate at home, then our remote learning offer comes into effect as it has done during lockdown. Your child will access the Purple Mash platform where work can be accessed, completed and returned. Work will closely match what is being taught in school.





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Attendance

The updated government guidance is clear that all children are expected to attend school, this is mandatory. Where your child has to self-isolate and/or is awaiting a test, then this will be recorded as such and will be authorised.

I hope this information has been of use and provides you with a clearer picture of the more normal environment your child will be accessing in September. It goes without saying that if you have any queries, please contact us via info@maltbylillyhallacademy.com, via the MyEd app or via telephone on 01709 812148.

Thank you once again for your support and here's to getting back to normal!

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Pease (Principal)

