



GIGGLESWICK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

A very warm welcome to our new children and to those returning to school this September. I do hope you have had a restful summer and look forward to seeing you in and around school over the coming weeks. My whereabouts over this half term is attached for your information. If I am not at your child's school and you need to contact me, please ring the relevant school and leave a message and I will return your call as soon as I am able to.

We are hopeful for a more normal school experience for all our children and have attached the latest NHS Government Guidelines in relation to your child returning to school for the Autumn term 21 (including what has changed in relation to Covid-19).

As you will see from the document attached, schools will be operating as normally as possible (key points as stated below):

- *Bubbles and staggered start and finish times are no longer advised. We will open the gates at 8.45 for a 9am registration and school will end at 3.30pm*
- *Children can again have breaktimes and lunch together and take part in practical lessons and sports with other classes and year groups*
- *Face coverings are no longer required for staff or visitors*
- *We will continue with regular handwashing, cleaning regimes, and will keep spaces well ventilated*
- *If your child is identified as a close contact they will not need to self-isolate*
- *Schools will have plans in place on what to do if anyone at school tests positive for COVID-19, or if additional measures are needed to be reintroduced for a limited period*

If you suspect that a member of your household may have developed Covid-19 symptoms, you may wish to follow this link for guidance: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

***The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools** comprises:
Giggleswick and Hellifield Community and Long Preston Endowed (VA) Primary Schools.

If you have any questions about how we are working to keep your child safe, please do get in touch, as we are always here if you need to speak to a member of our team.

When your child has PE they can continue to arrive at school wearing their PE kits (PE top with a tracksuit top/bottoms and trainers) and will also need a bottle of water. Please check your class newsletter for PE and swimming days.

We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone tomorrow morning!

Kind regards,

Miss Ward, Sue & The Giggleswick Team