

# THE PEGASUS ACADEMY TRUST











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# **Dear Parents and Carers**

We are really looking forward to welcoming all of the children back to school on Monday the 8th of March. We hope that the children are as excited as we are to get back into a much more normal school routine.

We understand that the period of lockdown may have been challenging for many of you but I am very proud of the way in which the vast majority of children have risen to the challenge of learning from home. Over the coming week, please take some time to prepare your child for their return to school. We understand that routines at home may have been different but please encourage your child to get ready by:

- Establishing a sensible, age appropriate bedtime that ensures your child is getting enough sleep and is ready to learn
- Establishing a morning routine that will enable your child to be in school on time
- Finding school uniform and other necessary equipment. (Don't leave this until Sunday night)
- Discourage your child from snacking throughout the day as they will not be able to do this when they are back in school.

Whilst we are confident that it is safe for your child to return to school and although case numbers are dropping locally, it is still important that all adults coming on to the school grounds play their part in keeping everyone safe. May I please remind you of the following:

- Please drop and collect your child and leave the school site as quickly as possible. Do not linger for a chat with other parents.
- KS2 children should be dropped at the gate and left to enter the school site independently.
- Only 1 parent to pick up and drop off.
- Adults should maintain social distancing when dropping off and picking up their children and are strongly encouraged to wear masks.

• Children should enter the school building straight away- they should not be waiting around outside

• Playground resources – such as the climbing frame- should not be used by parents or children before or after school.

- Children will sanitise their hands before they enter the school building.
- Parents are not permitted to enter the school building and should contact the school via the school office for assistance. Please use email address –epsadmin@pegasusacademytrust.org
- PE kits to be worn all day on PE days instead of uniform.
- Cloakrooms will be used.

By following the guidance above, we can help to keep the virus out of the school meaning that all children can attend and we do not have to send bubbles home to self-isolate and return to learning online. Although the children will be familiar with many of the routines we have in place at the moment, we will be reminding them of all they need to do to keep each other safe when they return to school.

### Laptop loans.

If your child was loaned a school laptop or Chromebook, please ensure it is returned on Monday the 8th March. The device can be handed in to the class teacher and it will be logged as returned. Remember to return all charging cables and cases that were loaned to you. Please note, this does not apply to certain children in Year 3 who were issued with a laptop to keep until Year 6.

## **School lunches**

The school kitchens will be open and running a normal lunch service. If your child requires a school lunch, please book and pay for it in the normal way through Magic Booking.

### Breakfast and after school club

Pegasus children's club will go back to an 'ad hoc' basis in spring 2021 but it will entail some changes to how you can book the service. Parents will not be able to book or cancel on the day. It will now need to be booked/cancelled before 12:00 lunch time the day before to avoid children coming and going and to ensure consistent staffing and adhering to government safety guidelines. Please also be aware that if your child attends the breakfast or after school childcare this heightens the risk of your child/ren being asked to self-isolate, as your child/ren will be in contact with a wider range of children over the day.

You will no longer be able to contact the school office and book your child in on a daily basis. We need to know which children will be attending and in which year groups so that we can prepare the provision. The booking can only be done by booking the service via your Magic Booking account. If you have a problem with your account, you will need to contact us the day before your child uses the service and notify us that your account is faulty so that we can solve any issues.

I appreciate that there is a lot of information here to take in before the children come back to school but what is most important is that your child starts to get ready for their return. There may well be more information coming out over the next few days so watch out for updates via the website or texts.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March.

Keep safe.

Mr Robins Head of School

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