

### **Can my child bring in their own pencil case?**

No. We will be providing all the necessary equipment for children in the new school year. Pencil cases from home will not be allowed in the classroom.

### **Will my child be issued with reading books?**

Yes. When reading books are returned to school they will be placed in a 'return book' box. These will be quarantined for 72 hours before being cleaned with antibacterial wipes and returned to the shelf. Reading books will be sent backwards and forwards to school as we have done previously. We also continue to have access to our Oxford Reading Buddy online system which can be used by all.

### **Do I need to provide hand sanitiser for my child?**

If you want to provide your child with individual hand sanitiser you are more than welcome to although we have a readily available supply of hand sanitiser available to pupils in school.

### **My child forgot their lunch box, can I bring it in?**

Unfortunately not. We are unable to welcome parents into the school building so will not be able to receive forgotten items via the school office as we usually would.

### **What happens if my child is distressed and does not want to come into school?**

Comforting your child will be very challenging for our staff, due to social distancing measures. We would ask therefore that you as parents support us if this happens and stay with your child until he/she has calmed down and is ready to come into school.

### **Will my child have a school dinner?**

Havering Catering Services will be able to supply a school dinner. There will be two hot options to choose from after half term. Due to social distancing, the children will eat their food in their classrooms at their desks. A packed lunch is recommended.

### **Can I collect my child for home dinners at lunchtime?**

No. Children will be given 15/20 minutes to eat their lunch followed by a staggered short break. The challenges of social distancing make this unworkable with regard to collection and return.

### **Can I send my child into school wearing PPE?**

No. The latest government guidelines is clear that any PPE worn on the journey to school should be removed by the parent prior to arrival on the school site.

### **Will staff be wearing PPE?**

Staff will only be wearing PPE when a child requires first aid that needs adult intervention or when intimate care is needed. If a child requires an adult to work with them in a situation that does not reflect social distancing measures then PPE will be available for use.

### **Will the office be able to administer medicine to my child?**

No. Due to social distancing measures staff are unable to administer medication; however, if your child is able to do this independently, they will be supervised in doing so. If this is the case, we would suggest that the correct dosage is sent in using a pre-filled syringe.

### **Will I get fined if I choose to keep my child at home?**

School attendance is mandatory from the beginning of the autumn term. This means from that point, the usual rules on school attendance will apply, including:

- parents' duty to secure that their child attends regularly at school where the child is a registered pupil at school and they are of compulsory school age;
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the availability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct.

### **Hacton at Home**

Hacton at Home learning resources will continue to be uploaded weekly for all pupils.