

Newburgh CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

A number of concerns have been raised with me with regards to the drop off and pick up arrangements we have in place here at Newburgh and I would ask for the help of each of you to keep our school and community safe and to keep our school open.

We have tried to keep the school start and finish times as close together as possible to minimise disruption for everyone particularly given how disruptive this year has been for children.

Can I please remind you not to turn up early to drop children off at school. The local playground has had to close midweek to the community because of the numbers of our families congregating and mixing before and after school. We are working very hard to keep the “bubbles” of children separate to both keep our community safe and keep school open. Each bubble has an allocated time slot for arrival and parents and children should not congregate on the playground before this time (or in the street). Please keep your children standing with you until they line up to come into school. As soon as children have been handed over to staff parents are asked to leave the playground immediately so the next bubble of parents can safely stand on the playground and await their turn.

The trim trail is out of bounds to use before and after school as it has always been. If children go on to this equipment before or after school we are no longer able to use these resources for our children during the school day because of the risk of contamination. If you wish to stand in the orchard area to maintain social distance this is fine as long as your children stand with you.

I politely ask you all to respect the measures we have put in place to keep our community safe. Today it is being reported that 25% of all national cases of Covid-19 are in Lancashire. Last week West Lancashire had 35 cases per 100,000 population when the national average is 18. We all have a responsibility to keep our community safe and functioning.



Start and Finish Time Reminder:

Group Bubble	START TIME	FINISH TIME
EYFS	9 a.m.	3:30 p.m.
KS1	8:50a.m.	3:20p.m.
Lower KS2 (Y3 and 4)	8:55a.m.	3:25p.m.
UPPER KS2 (Y5 and 6)	8:50a.m.	3:20p.m.

If you need to arrive at school early or pick up late our breakfast and after school clubs are open and children are kept within their bubbles to maintain safety.

Kind regards



Rebecca Fowler
Headteacher

