

Please remember that you can keep up to date and involved with YPS and all the pupils through the YPS and individual [class Twitter accounts](#), our school [Facebook page](#) and our [blogs](#) on the school [website](#).



It was lovely to welcome pupils back into school after the Easter holidays to what has thankfully been a fairly stable half term. Our routines are now more settled and we have successfully adjusted to the many changes that have had to be made.

We have tried to keep our usual practices where possible and constantly review how we can resume a safe and more normal school life for our pupils.

As always, the pupils deal with whatever challenges come their way and do not seem to be fazed by anything - they never cease to amaze us!

Enjoy the holiday and I look forward to seeing you when we return on the 7th June!

Mrs Gaynor Lawson-Mills

Please find a link here with regards to not falling foul of the many COVID related scams and fraudulent offers that are currently circulating. Well worth looking at given the cybercriminals at work.

www.getsafeonline.org

Dropping off and picking up from school

Visit: www.yardleyschool.com/covid-19-update

Please remember that you have a 15-minute slot to drop off and pick up your child, you do not need to arrive precisely for the start time of your slot. If people arrive at different times throughout their slot, this will avoid crowds of people around the gates and the need to queue.

If you only have one child to drop off and pick up, please be mindful of this and try not to arrive exactly at the start of (or before) your allotted time. This will benefit both you and the school.

Year group	Drop off time	Collection time	Gate	Lessons start
Year 1 & 2	8.30am-8.45am	3.00pm-3.15pm	Key Stage 1 (infant) playground Harvey Road (main double gates)	8.45am
Year 5 & 6	8.30am-8.45am	3.00pm-3.15pm	Key Stage 2 (junior) playground Harvey Road (by the old caretaker's house)	8.45am
Reception	8.45am-9.00am	3.15pm-3.30pm	Key Stage 1 (infant) playground Harvey Road (main double gates)	9.00am
Year 3 & 4	8.45am-9.00am	3.15pm-3.30pm	Key Stage 2 (junior) playground Harvey Road (by the old caretaker's house)	9.00am

COVID-19 Tests

Visit: www.yardleyschool.com/covid-19-update

There are currently 2 main types of COVID-19 test available:

- The **PCR** test is for people who have at least 1 of the 3 main symptoms (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss of, or change to, sense of smell or taste) or who have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive.
- The **LFD** (Lateral Flow Device) test is for people who have no symptoms and are asymptomatic.
DO NOT USE AN LFD TEST IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD HAVE SYMPTOMS

Please ensure that if you do need to have a COVID-19 test, you have the correct one.

FIND US ON:



WWW.YARDLEYSCHOOL.COM

Parents' Evening

We have just completed our second online Video Parents' Evening and we are pleased to say it was a very successful event. Although this is only the second time we have done this, parents have adapted very quickly to the change and it is reassuring to know that parents are willing to support us in order for school to maintain as many of our normal routines as possible. Thank you to everyone who took part!

Illness

Please ensure you report any absence due to illness promptly by either calling or emailing the school office and giving full details of the illness.

Reminder:

There are still occasions where parents are stopping their car in the middle of the road and children are getting out and coming into school on their own. As well as being a health and safety issue, parents are still responsible for pupils until they arrive in school. Therefore, please ensure all parents park their vehicle, safely and respectfully, and see their children through the school gates when dropping off in the morning.

Also, parents and staff on the gates have noticed that children are being brought to school in cars not wearing seatbelts or travelling without appropriate car seats. It is a legal requirement that all children travelling in cars must use an appropriate seat and wear a seatbelt. Serious incidents could occur and your child could be seriously harmed if parents don't adhere to the law regarding this. Please ensure that your children are transported safely in cars on any journey you take!



WEAR A FACE COVERING

DON'T BE OFFENDED IF WE ASK YOU TO WEAR ONE – WE ARE TRYING TO KEEP YOU, YOUR FAMILY, OUR STAFF AND EVERYONE ELSE SAFE

Please make sure that you regularly check and read all emails sent from school. This is the way you will find out about: trips, events, consultations and all of the vital information regarding your child's schooling. We have had a number of parents saying they were unaware of things, but if you check and read emails regularly, and keep us up to date with your current email address, you will be fully informed. Thank you.

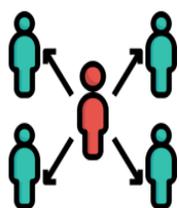
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU UPDATE US WITH ANY CHANGES TO YOUR HOME ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE NUMBERS.



ONLY ONE PERSON
PER DROP OFF /
COLLECTION

Medication

Please note that any medication to be administered in school must be sent to the school office and not to class with pupils. We are unable to give any medicine to pupils in school without the appropriate form being completed. If you know your child needs to have medicine whilst in school, please contact the office so we can arrange for the paperwork to be sent to you.



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE
FROM EACH OTHER

We have introduced a weekly achievement newsletter for each year group and whole school attendance and punctuality awards. Don't forget to check your emails as this is a lovely way to celebrate our pupils' successes. Please continue to notify us of any changes to your email so you don't miss out!

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