



# Greenway Primary & Nursery School



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Dear Greenway friends,

We are so glad that the majority of you will be returning to school next week and we have been busy organising our extra classrooms for Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 at Greenway so that it is ready to welcome you back. We thought we would tell you some of the ways that Greenway will be the same and some of the ways that it will be different. If you haven't watched the video on the school website, do have a look as this will help you see what school looks like.

It is important to remember that school from now on will be different but it is still Greenway. The building on the outside will look the same, but inside school will look different.

We have made changes to the rooms to make sure we can all spread out and have our own space to work and play. Apart from the key worker group you will be in your classroom, with your class teacher.

We have moved some of the things that you are used to seeing such as soft toys or cushions and we have added some new things too such as more hand sanitizers, some reminder notices and new pedal bins.

If you are older, you will have a tray to keep things in such as your lunch, your own tissues and your water bottle. You will also have a zip wallet with your name on to keep the stationary in that your teacher gives you. The children that have already returned to school, have really enjoyed having their own table and being involved in the clearing activities!

You can wear your weekend clothes to school and you will need to wear clean clothes every day. You will not be changing your shoes or changing for PE, so make sure you wear something practical and comfortable. You will have lunch in your classroom at your own table. You might bring your own lunch but if you usually have school dinners, a packed lunch can still be provided for you in school. Please can you all bring in a healthy snack (a piece of fruit, bread sticks, rice cakes and no nuts), you will all need this because there will be no fruit deliveries!

There are some new plans for coming into school and leaving school at the end of the day. We have told your parents about that so that they can help you to understand. You don't need to remember all of the new things, we will be there to help you. Mrs Ellwood and Ms Roe will be outside to greet you and show you where to go. Your teachers will meet you outside and take you to your new room.

The important thing to remember is that we will need to wash our hands often, like we were doing before school closed. And we will need to be two metres apart from other people. We know that you understand that hand washing is one of the ways to protect you from all germs, particularly this one. We will play some fun games to help us to learn what two metres is.

Here are photos of two of the classrooms to show you what they look like:

Early Years



KS1/KS2 classroom



When I asked the children that are currently back at school what I should tell you, they all confidently said 'Don't worry!'.....' School feels different but it is fun!'

We are looking forward to seeing you at Greenway on Monday.

Please stay safe.  
Regards

**Katharine Ellwood**  
Headteacher

