



Back to school!

In March, Barrow Hedges was closed for most of our children so that we could all keep ourselves, and each other, safe! Our Prime Minister has now told us that some children can come back to school. The teachers and teaching assistants are very excited to see you but the most important thing is that we continue to keep safe!

Things are going to be a bit different...

Mrs Wood, the teachers and teaching assistants have been working hard to get the school ready and keep as much as possible the same for you, but there will be some changes.

You will probably be in a classroom that is not the one you were in when you last came to school. Your new classroom will look a bit like this...



You will be with a group of children and the same adults each day. We are calling this your bubble!

There will be less children in your bubble than you are used to having in your class at Barrow Hedges and even though you might spot other children during the day, you must only stay with your bubble, so we can keep everyone safe. You will make some new friends in your bubble and might be with children from other year groups. You won't be able to share toys and other equipment so will have your own things on your own desk, and you must bring your own water bottle with your name on it.

Have you heard the adults talking about *social distancing*?

Our Prime Minister, the doctors and other adults keep reminding people about social distancing! At the moment, it is very important that we stay a safe distance away from people who don't live in our house with us. This will be tricky in school but we must do the very best we can. The adults in your bubble will talk to you about how we can make sure we stay apart.

1 BED...



3 FRIDGES...



4 CHAIRS...



However you measure it,
keep 2m apart



What else will be different?

- You will still have playtimes and eat your lunch at school but this will be different. You will eat lunch in your classroom and go out to play in one area of the playground with your bubble.
- You might not come to school every day. Your parents know when you should be in school and can tell you this!
- You will be dropped off at one of the school gates and this might be a different one to the one you are used to walking through! Your parents know which one you will walk through and here is a picture of all of our gates so you know what it looks like:



Harbury Road



Nursery

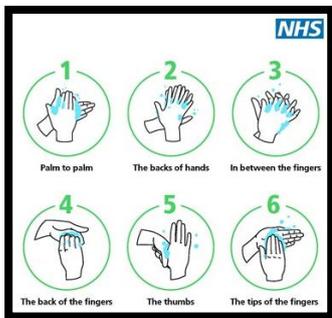


Radcliffe Gardens



Beanos

- When you walk through the gate there will be adults there to tell you where to go and you can look out for an adult from your bubble who will be holding your bubble number for you to see, like this... →
- You won't be wearing your school uniform. You need to wear different clothes each day or make sure you wear ones that have been washed overnight.

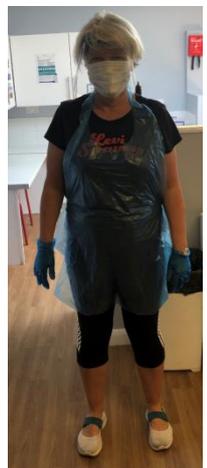


- There will be lots and lots...and lots of handwashing!
- You might feel worried when you are at school, or sad that you are not with your adults at home after such a long time together, and the adults in school will be ready to help you with this. We will all look after each other like we always do at Barrow Hedges! ☺ 

- If you need help from a first aider there will be adults in school to help you with this. They will look a little different to usual, but they will still be ever so nice and look after you like always. They might look a bit like this... →



- You will be using a different toilet to usual. You will know which toilet you should use because your adult will show you and it will have your bubble number on it.



- Some of your friends will still be doing their learning at home so lessons will be a bit different too, but the teachers know what they are doing and are looking forward to working with you.

We cannot wait to have you back and look forward to seeing you! Keep safe and keep smiling! ☺