



Will school be running before and after school clubs?

- Yes, but on a greatly reduced scale. All places are on a first come, first served basis and, regardless of space; there will be no emergency bookings. Pupils will have to socially distance and for those that find this impossible they will not be able to attend.

Breakfast Club:

- 8am to 8.45am - maximum of 12 places a day.
- Hall – drop off is at the hall door near the staff car park.
- The usual breakfast items are on offer for pupils.

After Fun Club:

- 3.30pm to 4.30pm - maximum of 12 places a day.
- Hall / outdoor space – collection is from the hall door near the staff car park.
- Snacks will be served in individual bowls.
- If your child finishes school at 3.15pm they will stay with their teacher until 3.30pm and then go to the hall.

What happens if a child is suspected of having Covid 19?

- They will be isolated outside (on a chair with a supervising staff member over 2 meters away). If the weather does not permit this, then they will be isolated inside with a member of staff in full PPE.
- A parent will be contacted immediately and expected to arrange immediate collection.
- When collecting the child, the parent should phone from outside and the child will be brought out by the supervising adult.
- The child will need to isolate for 7 days and fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days.
- Parents should arrange for a test - <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-in-children/>.
- Parents should inform the school immediately of the test result, regardless of the outcome.
- Where a child tests positive, the rest of their class will be sent home and parents advised to self-isolate their child for 14 days. The other household members of that class do not need to self-isolate unless their child subsequently develops symptoms.
- Where a test is negative, should the child be well enough, they can return to school.

Will my child still study all the National Curriculum subjects?

- Yes, we continue to offer a full and balanced curriculum. We do not believe narrowing our curriculum to just English and Maths will help children to 'catch up', they will just become disengaged.

This question and answer guide is based on Government, Health England and Local Authority guidance. For our full risk assessment please go to the Covid 19 section of our website:

<https://abbastemplecombeprimary.co.uk/covid-19/>

Is the school re-opening for all pupils?

- Yes, but our new Foundation pupils have staggered start days during the first week – please refer to the letter in your welcome pack for your child's start date.

Does my child have to return to school?

- Yes, the Government has put full attendance rules back in place for all pupils - please do speak to me if you have concerns.

Are parents allowed on site?

- No, contact with school should be by telephone or email and not face to face, but if you must speak in person then staff will use the porch window to communicate with parents, not at the gate, but please adhere to strict social distancing guidelines.

How will the 'bubbles' work at Abbas & Templecombe Primary?

- Pupils and staff from each class will be in a 'bubble' whilst in school, remaining as one group, mixing only with this group and these staff. Having sole use of a classroom and using shared-use spaces only when absolutely necessary. We will attempt to limit contact within classes (bubbles) but please be aware that enforcing full social distancing will not be possible given the number of pupils in each class.

What time does my child start and which gate do I drop off at?

- Diamonds – 9am (bottom gate)
- Emerald – 9am (top gate)
- Ruby – 8.45am (bottom gate)
- Topaz – 8.45am (Middle staff car park gate)
- Sticky Fingers – 8.45am (top gate)

Staff will open the gates and parents are asked to respect social distancing and wait in the bottom carpark/turning circle or staff carpark/in front of the village hall, taking turns for their children to come through the gate. Children must leave their parents at the gate (we do understand that this will be difficult at first for Foundation aged children). There is no 'window' for drop off, as soon as the children have entered the gate will close.

My children's times and gates are not the same?

Please adhere to the youngest sibling's timings and gate. The older child will then make their own way to their class in the mornings. All registers will be held until the last drop off time has passed. This is the same at collection but the older child will stay with their teacher until 3.30pm.

The new drop off times are causing issues with my employer - help?

If our new timings are putting you in a work predicament then your child/children can come through the bottom gate at 8.45am and make their own way to class. Please be aware that their bubble staff will not be there to meet them. I will review this decision across the first week and if I deem the situation as dangerous for our children, I will change the system.

What time does my child finish and which gate do I collect from?

- Diamonds – 3.30pm (bottom gate)
- Emerald – 3.30pm (middle staff car park gate)
- Ruby – 3.15pm (bottom gate)
- Topaz – 3.15pm (Middle staff car park gate)
- Sticky Fingers – 3.30pm (top gate)

Staff will open the gates and parents are asked to respect social distancing and wait in the bottom carpark/turning circle or staff carpark/in front of the village hall. Your child will be sent through the gate to you once the member of staff has spotted you. Please keep changes to collection arrangements without advance notice, to an absolute minimum.

Year 5 and Year 6 pupils are welcome to travel to and from school unsupervised. Parents must email the office to give permission.

Is my child to wear full school uniform?

- Yes, apart from on PE/Games days where they should wear their PE kit and appropriate outdoor footwear. Uniform requirements are on our website <https://abbastemplecombeprimary.co.uk/about-us/uniform>

What day does my child have PE?

- Diamonds – Monday
- Emerald – Tuesday and Friday
- Ruby – Tuesday and Friday
- Topaz – Monday and Thursday

Only school PE kit to be worn on this day, with school jumper.

Can my child bring their bike or scooter into school?

- Yes, but only if they can bring in and collect independently.

What if I need to go to the front office?

- When the hatch is being opened, parents are asked to stand on the indicated point marked on the floor. Any items to pass on should be left in the entrance area. Only one person should be in this area at a time and parents are asked to stay back from the entrance door to allow people to leave the building without compromising social distancing.

Will there be face to face parent meetings?

- Only strictly where necessary and these must be organised in advance to take place in a room where social distancing is possible. Preferably these will take place by virtual means.

Will school staff be wearing face masks?

Some staff may choose to wear masks in busy shared spaces, but not in classrooms.

Should my child wear a face mask?

No, the advice is that primary aged children should not wear masks at school.

Should my child bring things in from home?

- Yes - lunch/snack/water bottle/coat/sunscreen/hat/bag. Please be aware that there will be lots of outdoor learning opportunities, so it is vital that younger pupils especially have coats in school each day and jumpers/cardigans due to windows and doors being open to allow air flow.
- No - equipment/resources/toys should not be brought into school. This includes workbooks completed during Covid lockdown.

Will there be any trips or swimming this term?

- No, but we will send out parent booking forms for residentials (Year 3 to Year 6) with the promise that any payments received will be fully refunded if we have to cancel the trip.

Will my child be able to play with pupils from other classes during breaks?

- No children can only play with others in their class bubble.

Will there be hot lunches?

- Yes, Piskula will be providing their full lunch menu from Monday 7th September.

Will there be 'snack' fruit for younger pupils?

Yes, the free fruit scheme is restarting for pupils in Foundation and Key Stage 1.