

# Kingfisher Kids



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Dear Parents

'Re-opening of Kingfisher Kids Out of School Club – September 2020!'

Thank you for your patience over the summer in waiting for final details of arrangements for Kingfisher Kids.

All requests for places have been accepted and children can start to attend on the day that they return to school. Full details of this have already been sent to all parents.

At the start of the summer we sought additional information about potential collection 'windows' and we have attached the original request as a reminder. Many thanks to all those that replied. Our intention was to try and work out when the greatest 'pressure points' were in terms of numbers of parents arriving to collect at the same time. We have decided not to allocate specific windows, but you do need to be aware of the expected busiest times (5:30-5:45). Therefore, if you are able to collect earlier it will help to reduce the length of time waiting. Parents do need to allow additional time, as we will have to operate a socially distanced queuing system at the exit. In order to speed things up, the staff operating the entrance will simply tick off on a register and not require a signature.

Kingfisher Kids cannot operate the same bubbles that the school does during the day, but does have to consider how to reduce the mixing of children between bubbles. Therefore, we have split the club into 4 phase groups (EYFS, 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6), so that where classes are mixing, at least it is within the same phase. The phases will be indifferent rooms where possible, with distancing between groups where the same room is used.

Children will be using heightened hygiene procedures (hand washing and sanitising) and encouraged to consider social distancing practice (safe distances where possible, no physical contact, limited sharing of resources etc.)

Snack – we are having to review what we can provide and how it is accessed. It may be that in the first week or so that we have to limit to wraps/sandwiches etc. as we work through the logistics of having to make provision in different rooms.



## Collection

Access will be via the rear gate next to Kingfisher Kids.

Parents will need to wait, in a socially distanced queue, at the door to Kingfisher Kids.

Children will be collected by staff and handed over to parents at the door on an individual basis; parents will not be able to enter Kingfisher Kids.

Please bear with us as we work through procedures for the first weeks, and remember to bring an umbrella in case it is raining and you have to wait a while to collect.

Some reminders before attending:

- Limit the items sent into school in line with the full guidance sent to all parents. This will reduce the number of things going into lockers and potentially reduce waiting time at collection ;
- Children will exit through the rear gate for Kingfisher Kids as normal.

***Children (and staff) who are displaying symptoms of COVID-19 (described below), or who have received a positive test, will not be accepted at Kingfisher Kids.***

Once we are back up and running next week, we will have a much clearer understanding of where we can adjust arrangements and will update you if anything changes.

Throughout this time, we would be extremely grateful if you would use the school car park if arriving by car for Kingfisher Kids collection. An increase in parking on the road would not only be more dangerous for children and passing cars, but would also give more reason for local residents to complain about the club's operation. Concerns have previously been raised with local councillors about cars parked for Kingfisher Kids causing an obstruction.

Thank you for your support throughout this time.

Maureen Stannard  
**Kingfisher Kids Manager**

