



13 July 2020  
Dear Parent/Carer

Following my social media post, I am now able to provide some further information covering several important issues as we move forward.

### September 2020 – Re-opening:

As a result of the new DFE guidance issued last week, we will require a significant amount of planning and reorganisation with regards to our building, curriculum, and timetabling. I am currently working with my Leadership Team, looking at what we need to do to enable us to open for all students in the most 'normal' way possible in September.

The guidance, as you may have seen in recent media coverage, talks about 'year group bubbles' and zoning of breaks and food provision to minimise risk and to protect students and staff. All these factors are being taken into account in our planning, but the government intends to release further guidance in August in relation to school opening; this makes it very difficult to know exactly what September will look like for schools today.

I wish you inform you that each school in Peterborough or elsewhere will likely have a solution to re-opening that may be very different to other schools and this is acceptable. We all face localised challenges (e.g. buildings; staffing; etc) in this will be reflected in our risk assessment/solution to re-opening fully in September.

Initial plans that I can share with you are as follows:

1. There is a revised home school agreement to be signed at the start of the new term. This reflects the new expectations that we all need to adapt to so that we can fully re-open as per the government's expectations. I attach an advance copy for your information.
2. Students will be strongly discouraged to use public transport; walking or cycling to school in small groups, preferably in their year bubbles which I strongly encourage.
3. Where public transport is required to be used students must wear face masks whilst travelling on public transport. Face masks will not be permitted inside the school other than very specific actions in accordance with our risk assessment.
4. The schools risk assessment will be published in the next few weeks on our website and an alert will inform you of its publication.
5. We will be insisting on students wearing the uniform to the expectations set out. Student's will also need to bring their own equipment (as per the guidelines).



6. Attendance and punctuality standards are expected of all schools from September. I wish to balance the need for all students to legally return to school with sensitivity. More to follow.
7. There will be adjustments to the school (e.g. social zones and food provision). However, there will be minimal alteration to your child's lesson provision.
8. Students will have to follow published entrance and exit routines. **No student will be allowed on site without prior permission until 8.30 am.** Breakfast clubs will be a pre booked provision and have a set capacity. There are no staggered starts to the school day, however, there is likely to be a slightly staggered end of the day (within a 5-10 minute gap).
9. Meetings will be virtual through online technology until further notice, including those with parents/carers. Using technology to conduct communication/subject evening/tours etc. This will reduce the amount of face-to-face meetings with adults to an absolute minimum.

It is my intention to make a final decision and complete our updated risk assessment in the week commencing 24 August. I will write to you again during the holidays to outline what you, as parents/carers, need to know in relation to our plans for re-opening of the school for your child in September. I reserve the right to change any plans should the government change their guidance. There will be other matters to raise with you, therefore, I plan to send out a year specific letter to each family during the last week of the summer holiday.

Please could you note that due to the lockdown, there will not be any further reports sent home before the end of term.

As the school continues to expand, I am pleased to be able to welcome the following new staff. Mr Paton (Science - maternity leave cover), Mr Parris (Maths), Miss Walker (return from maternity leave - Humanities), Mrs Windsor (Maths), Ms Omondi (Social Sciences) and Mrs Norris (Food Technology).

At the end of this school year, we say 'goodbye' to several staff who are leaving us. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Gray (English), Mr Kenefec (Business Studies), Mrs Lackenby (Music), Mrs Ashwell (TA), Ms Beverley-Stone (Art) and Mr Cuffe and Miss Murfitt (IT Services) for all they have done to help and support our students during their time here. I wish them every success in the future.

Finally, can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support during these unprecedented times. I will keep you up-to-date with specific information if it is required during the summer holidays.

Bryan Erwin  
Principal

# Draft KSCS September 2020 Home School Agreement

## KSCS commitment

- KSCS will:
- Provide an environment which has been risk assessed in response to the COVID-19 infection and the guidelines for September re-opening.
  - Adhere to the social distancing rules as set out by the government.
  - Provide a broad and balanced curriculum for all students.
  - Contact parents/carers immediately if your child displays symptoms of COVID-19.
  - Provide a consistent approach to rewards and sanctions for students as set out in the Behaviour Policy as well as the expectations outlined in this agreement.
  - Contact you if your child does not conform to behaviour expectations; if they are deemed as unsafe, they may be sent home. This will be viewed as a serious breach of the school's behaviour policy and your child will only return with a clear agreement that they are safe to do so.
  - Regularly communicate home through connect, emails, social media and the website.
  - Update parents about relevant and recent Government legislation that applies to our school.
  - Ensure the safety and welfare of our students.
  - We reserve the right to review this agreement and amend it due to any localised issues that may take place.

## Parent commitment

- To support my child at KSCS, I understand that:
- If my child, or anyone in my household, shows symptoms of COVID-19, I will not send them to school.
  - If my child shows symptoms of COVID-19 during the school day, I will collect my child from the school immediately.
  - My child must strictly adhere to their individual school timings and entry/exit instructions.
  - I will reinforce with my child the need to adhere to the social distancing rules.
  - My child will need to follow appropriate hygiene guidance whilst at school.
  - My child will wear the correct full school uniform and bring their own equipment.
  - I understand I will not be allowed into the school without a pre- arranged appointment.
  - I will read all letters/messages/emails that are sent home.
  - I will inform the school immediately of any changes to parents/carer and emergency contacts details.
  - If my child is deemed unsafe and does not display the expected behaviour he/she will be sent home. They cannot return to school until they can be safe. This will be considered a serious breach of the school's behaviour policy.

## Student commitment

- As a student at KSCS I will:
- Adhere to the social distancing rules in class and in other areas during the day.
  - Tell an adult if I feel unwell.
  - Arrive on time, go straight to lesson without loitering.
  - Only enter and exit the school building from the designated entrance and exit points.
  - Follow the school's one-way system when moving around the school.
  - Always remain within my year group bubble.
  - Follow good respiratory hygiene: coughing and sneezing into elbow or tissue (catch it-bin it-kill it).
  - Follow good hand hygiene – use soap and water for 20 seconds or an applicable hand sanitiser.
  - Always behave well to maintain the safety of myself and others.
  - Not to cough or spit at or towards any other person.
  - Follow these expectations and know that if I don't, I will be sent home, as this is a serious breach of the school's behaviour policy. I will not be able to come back into the school until I can be safe.
  - Understand that these changes are about keeping everyone safe, including me.

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 Parents signature .....

Students name .....  
 Students signature .....

Year and Form .....