



Swiss Gardens Primary School- FAQ



Will my child be safe?

There is scientific evidence that younger children are less likely to become unwell if infected with coronavirus. The numbers returning will be lower than normal, which reduces the risk of infection. Early Year's providers will also be making changes to how they are organised and will put measures in place to reduce risks.

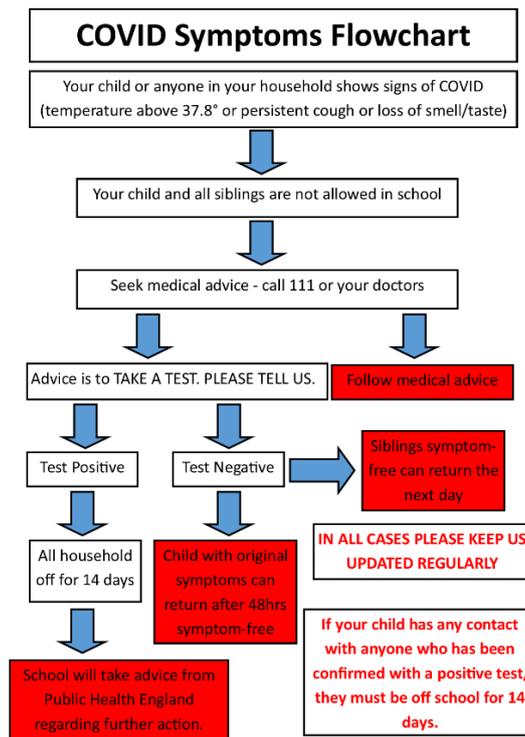
The [government guidance](#) explains what providers can do to reduce the risk of transmission, and they will share their plans with you once they have finalised the details.

Should I keep my child at home if they have an underlying health condition or live with someone who has been shielding or are Vulnerable?

From 1 August the Government will pause shielding unless the transmission of Covid-19 in the community starts to rise significantly. Further information can be found on the [government website](#).

What happens if my child feels unwell?

Please consider what your child's symptoms are, keep a close eye on your child and take their temperature and watch their symptoms. If you think they are showing Covid symptoms then please follow the flow chart below. Look for other information regarding sickness on the school website. Do not delay getting help if you're worried. Trust your instincts. [Further information on the NHS guidance](#)



What happens if there is a confirmed case of Covid19 at the school?

There is robust risk assessment in place, in line with government guidance, that sets out the next steps if this happens. This is on the school website for you to look at.

Staff and children over 5 in all settings will be eligible for testing if they become ill with coronavirus symptoms, as will members of their households.

Test kits are unsuitable for under-fives. Call 111 if you're worried about a baby or child. If they seem very unwell, are getting worse, or you think there's something seriously wrong, call 999. Please do not delay getting help if you're worried. Trust your instincts. [Further information on the NHS guidance](#)

How do the “bubbles” work in school?

There are class bubbles of up to 30 children. Each class bubble has two adults working with the group. Children do activities in their bubble. They sit facing forward and have a partner, however the children may have a chance to move around their classroom. They must socially distance from their adults but we have things in place to ensure children are supported and cared for. Sometimes adults will work across classes in the year group bubble, this happens occasionally, and it is always done to ensure a class can stay open.

What will the children be learning – will it be a different curriculum?

The learning and curriculum in the year groups is just the same. There are some adjustments to the timetables and some learning will be presented differently but the content will stay the same. Children will have more outdoor time and will go outside **whatever** the weather, so they need to be dressed appropriately. Please look at the curriculum map for each year group on the school website. In the event of a partial closure or closure of a bubble or year group, there will be home learning provision. Please see home learning provision statement on the school website.

What assessments will take place?

As far as we know the SATs in Year 2 & year 6 will take place in the summer term 2021. Children in year 4 will take the times tables test in the spring/ summer term. Year 1 phonics screening will take place in the summer term and year 2 children will take the phonics screening from year 1 in the autumn term. Baseline assessments in reception and the baseline phonics test will not take place this school year 2020/21.

Teachers will assess the children as they teach to identify gaps in learning and to tailor the curriculum content to ensure that children make the best possible progress.

Is my child allowed to play with his/ her friends?

The children get a playtime outside with their class bubble. They can play with their friends at playtime. They will not be able to play with children in other year group bubbles, they may not have a timetabled time with other children in their year. The children move around within their class for Golden time, this is another time they may talk and play with their friends in their class.

Will there be after school clubs?

Class of their own are running their after school provision. In time **Brighton and Hove in the community** will run their football clubs and **The Outdoor Project** will run their outdoor leaning club. No other clubs will run for the time being because we do not want to break our class “bubbles”. All the clubs running offer outdoor sessions.

<https://www.classoftheirown.com/clubs/swiss-gardens/>

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<https://www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk/>

What should I do if I am worried about my child?

If you are at all worried about your child, please contact their class teacher. This is best done through the school office or via email. If you explain what your concerns are they will get back to you as soon as they can. At the moment we have no face to face contact with teachers but you can arrange a phone call, email or possibly a zoom or google meets with the teacher.

If you have family worries or difficulties that you need help with there are other people to talk to in school. **Mrs Older** is the inclusion manager at school she may be able to put you in touch with agencies who might help you. **Ms Telcs** is the pupil premium teacher who may be able to guide you if you are struggling with finances and need help with uniform and school equipment. **Miss Maybury** is the deputy head teacher and if you feel you would like some support with a worry that cannot be dealt with by the class teacher she will always listen to your concerns.