

# Returning to School

## Social Story

The government may tell us that on 1<sup>st</sup> June that it is safe for us to return to school. School will look and work differently to before so this booklet should help you prepare for that.




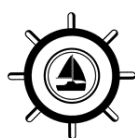
Over the past few months, I have not been at school. I have been staying at home because of coronavirus. During this time, I have been doing my schoolwork with my parents/carers. All of my friends from school have also been staying at home. Schools have been shut to keep me and my friends safe from coronavirus.



Doing my schoolwork at home on Google Classrooms or my learning pack has been fun but now it is time for me to go back to school, see some of my friends and do my schoolwork with teachers. To begin with, only Year 6 will be going back. This is OK.



- My teachers and friends will be happy  to see me back at school. When I go back, some things will be different. This is to keep me safe. I might find the changes difficult at first but my teacher will be there to help me. Everyone finds change hard. This is OK.
- The start and finish times of my school day may be different. This is so we don't have too many people arriving at school at the same time. It is important to stick to these times to keep everyone safe.



I will be taught in a smaller class called a **'bubble'**, which may be in a different classroom and with a different teacher and LSA. I will stay with this bubble all the time.

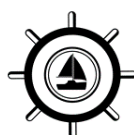


My parent or carer will tell me what bubble I am in.

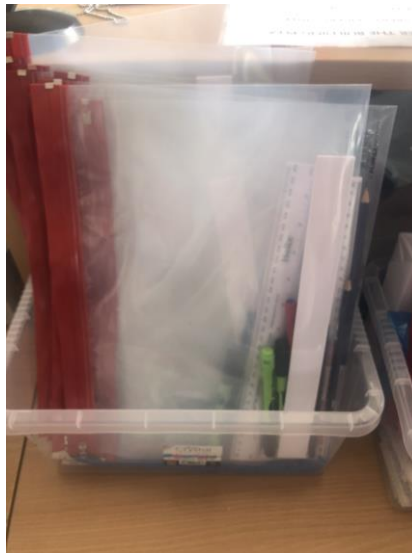
- The classrooms will look slightly different so that we can all socially distance to keep ourselves safe. They will look like this:



- Some things will be covered or taped up. I must not touch these areas.

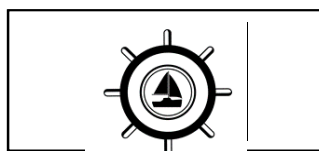


- I will have my own desk and chair and my own pack of stationery. I must remember not to share things with others.



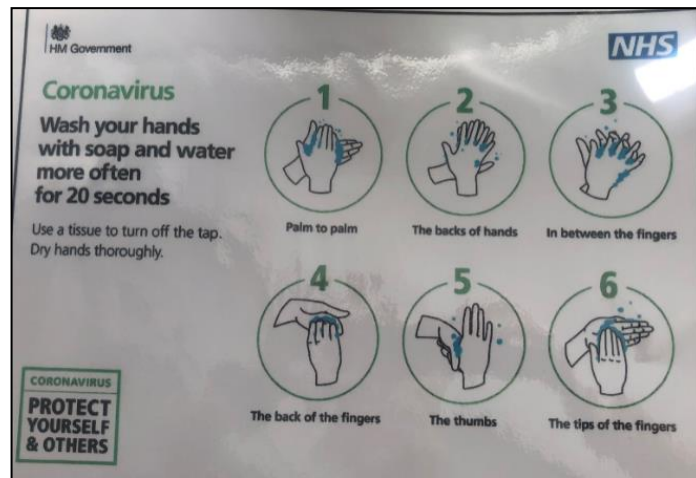
- Breaktimes and lunchtimes will be at different times. I might not be able to sit and eat with my friends but I will be able to wave to them from a distance.

I will need to stay 2 metres apart from other people while I am playing.



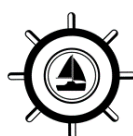


- I must keep washing my hands for at least 20 seconds.



These posters will remind me of the correct way to do this.

- I can also use hand sanitizer:

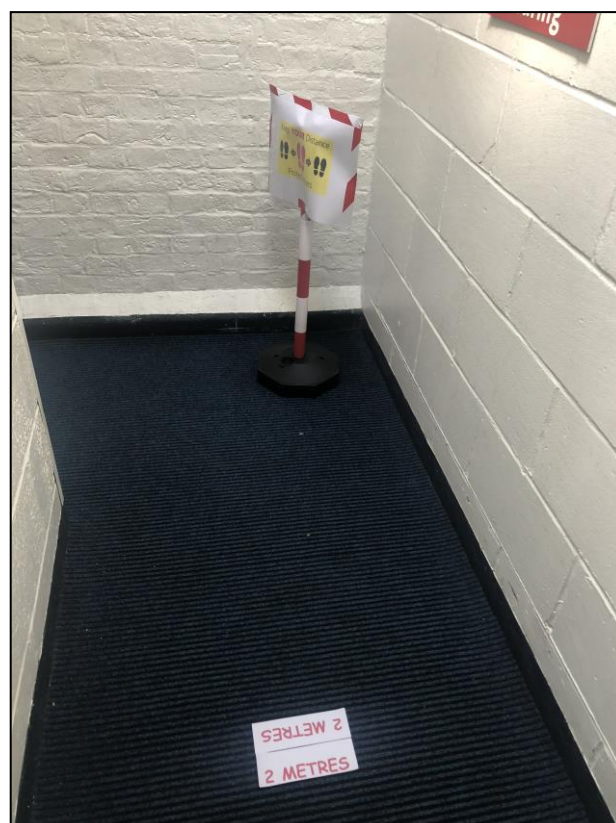
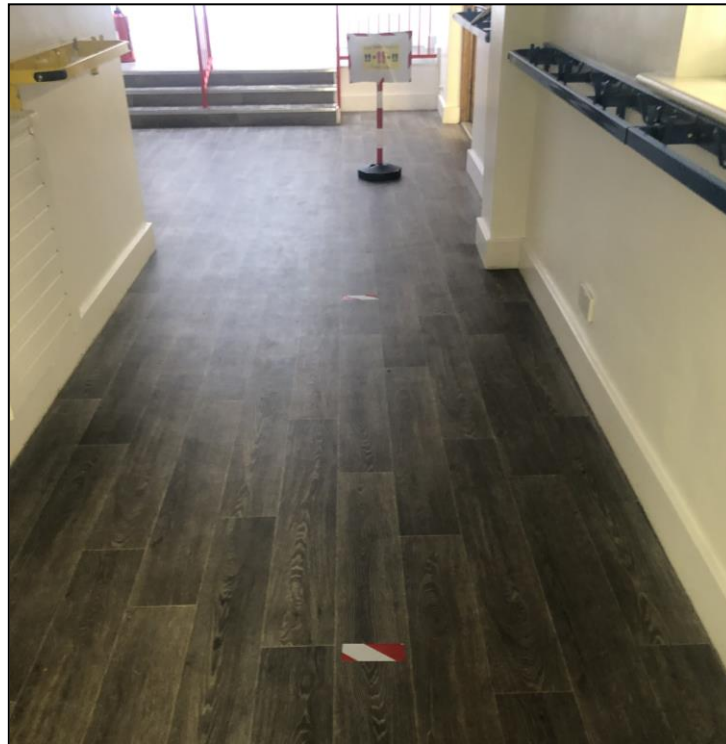


- If I am going to sneeze or cough, I must do this into a tissue then put the tissue in the pedal bin and wash my hands.

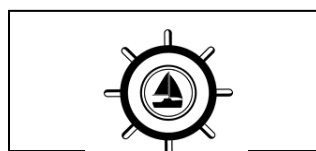
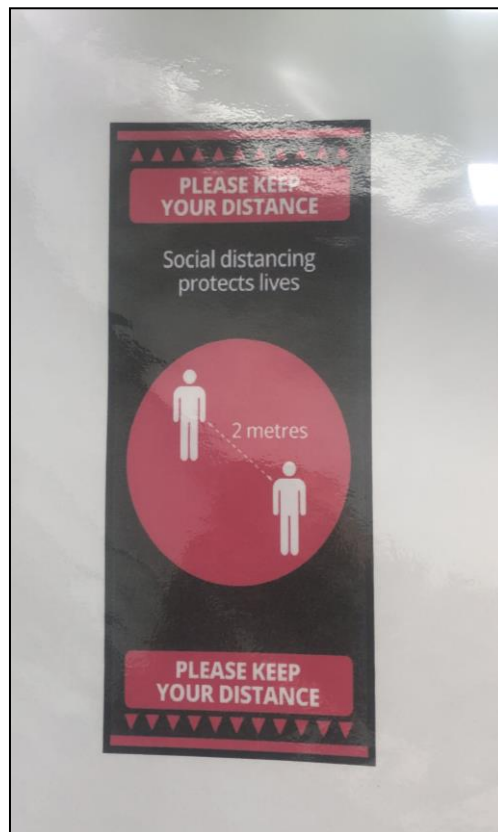
They must go in the bin that looks like this:



I must try to stay two metres away from my friends and teachers. The signs and the markings on the floor will remind me of this:







Going back to school will be fun. I must try to remember that the changes are to keep me safe. My teachers will be proud of me for trying to remember what I need to do to keep safe at school.

This will make me, my friends and my teachers happy!

