

Arrangements for the New Academic Year

As well as having different start dates, a staggered arrival and departure, there are some key changes to how the school will operate in the new academic year. Please go through these with your child to ensure they are prepared for the return. We will also go through this as part of our student induction.

Year Group Zones: Each year group will operate in a zone. This means they will mostly be taught in a set of classrooms in a particular part of the school building. They will have their own staircase, dining area, toilets and area of the playground. Occasionally, students will be educated in a specialist room (Science, Music, Catering etc) outside of their zone but normally teachers, rather than students, will move between zones.



Hand washing and hand sanitising: Upon arrival to school, students are encouraged to wash their hands and there will be extra handwashing stations in the playground. Upon entering each classroom, students will be expected to sanitise their hands and there will be a sanitising station in each classroom. **If your child has a serious skin condition or skin allergy you must inform us via info@arkglobe.org.**



Sharing and cleaning of equipment: Sharing of equipment will be minimised but where specialist rooms or equipment need to be shared, students, alongside teachers will have to clean equipment after use with anti-bacterial spray.



Early Students: Students should arrive at their allocated time. If they are early, students should go to an allocated year group room. However, students will only be allowed on site after 8:00am. If students arrive before this, they will have to wait outside.



Breakfast and Break: Breakfast and snacks at break time will no longer be served but we will be providing students with a healthy snack upon arrival, which they can collect from the playground and keep for breaktime. Students are, of course, able to bring in their own snacks but these should be healthy.



Lunchtimes: Each year group will have a specific lunch area and seating plans will be in place for lunch time. A reduced menu will be in operation and food will be served in containers with disposable cutlery being used.



PE Lessons and PE Kit: All students will continue to have PE lessons, however, we will not be using changing rooms. On days where students have PE, they should attend school in their PE kit, students will remain in their PE kit and will not be expected to change.



Uniform: On days where students do not have PE, the full school uniform must be worn. A full uniform list is online www.arkglobe.org/uniform. **If you are having any issues with uniform, please contact us on info@arkglobe.org.**



Lockers: Students who currently have lockers will have to empty these in the first week back. There will be no lockers used in school until further notice. For the most part, teachers will hold on to student books and students will not need to bring in their PE kit separately.



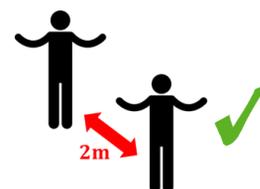
Masks: Government guidance is that face masks or coverings are not needed due to the measures being taken. However, should you have any concerns about this, please contact info@arkglobe.org. Students will continue to need to wear face masks in uncontrolled environments such as buses and shops.



Lessons: As far as possible, lessons will continue as normal. Students will be expected to engage, discuss and answer questions. However, students will work in the same pairings and be seated in the same seat in each lesson. Teachers will have to stay 2m away from students and students will not be able to face each other when talking.



Expectations: Our expectations of students remain high. To accommodate new health and safety measures there will be some new routines in place. If students are unable to follow our expectations, they will be removed from the classroom. Detentions will take place after school but in year group zones.



Departing School: Upon departing school, students will need to go straight home. They will not be able to go to the local shops.



Extra Curricular: Clubs will continue to take place before school, at lunch and after school but clubs will be year-group based. Details of the clubs on offer will be sent once we return.

