

Welcome Back to Glapton Academy

A Guide for Parents

March 8th 2021



From Monday 8th March 2021

Glapton Academy is looking forward to welcoming back all children to all classes

Class & Year Group	Teacher	Room	
Saplings F1	Mrs Smith	Nursery	
Larch F2	Miss Allmark Reception		
Walnut F2	Mrs Fletcher/Miss Wrate	Reception	
Willow Y1	Mr Payne	Willow Classroom	
Juniper Y1	Miss Johnson	Juniper Classroom	
Chestnut Y2	Miss Watts	Chestnut Classroom	
Beech Y2	Miss Gibbons	Beech Classroom	
Oak Y3	Miss Morley	Oak Classroom	
Sycamore Y3	Miss Brockie	Sycamore Classroom	
Rowan Y4	Mr Phillips	Rowan Classroom	
Alder Y4	Mrs Eden-Smith/Mrs Ralph	Alder Classroom	
Cherry Y5	Miss Devi/Mrs Quigg	Cherry Classroom	
Hazel Y5	Miss Cartwright	Hazel Classroom	
Elm Y6	Miss Edwards	Elm Classroom	
Birch Y6	Mrs Randall	Birch Classroom	



Will my child have to attend every day?

Yes. The government announced on 22 February that all children in all year groups will return to school full-time from Monday 8 March 2021.

- Schools will resume registering all children and monitoring attendance in the usual manner.
- Attendance below 96% is cause for concern and needs improvement.
- Children with attendance below 90% are regarded as Persistent Absentees and are referred immediately to the Education Welfare Team. This could lead to a fine being issued.
- Our Attendance panel will work with you to support your child's return to school if you are having difficulties.
- Remember that our Risk Assessments mean that school is a safe place for children to be.



When is it okay for my child to be absent?

- Any symptoms of Covid-19 (a new, continuous cough, a high temperature or a change in taste or smell).
- Illnesses such as fever, vomiting and diarrhoea.
- Very heavy colds.
- Medical appointments if these are unable to take place outside school hours (proof of appointment required).
- Contagious childhood diseases such as chicken pox.
- Please telephone the school on your child's first day of illness, giving as much detail as possible.
- Please note 'sick' cannot be accepted as a reason and more details along with evidence will be required.
- Headteacher approved absence for religious observance or other exceptional or special leave.



School Uniform

Your child will need to be in full school uniform with every item named:

- Red jumper or cardigan with school logo
- White polo shirt with school logo
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore
- Red gingham summer dress
- Plain red, black, white or grey tights
- White or grey socks for girls
- Grey or black socks for boys
- Black shoes (not trainers or plimsolls)
- No nail varnish
- Earrings should be plain gold/silver studs and a watch can be worn when a child can tell the time
- Long hair should be tied back with plain, simple bobbles and headbands in line with school colours





Where can I order uniform for re-opening in March

Uniform can be ordered from the following suppliers:

Rosebuddies http://www.rosebuddiesonline.co.uk/

EMSD http://www.emsd-online.co.uk/schoolwear/glapton-academy

Just School Wear https://www.just-schoolwear.co.uk/index.html

As we have had to move to the direct sale of uniform through the above suppliers, please contact them directly in case of uniform queries.

We have a small supply of 'New to You' uniform in school. Contact admin@glaptonacademy.co.uk if you would like to check availability. No charge is attached for 'New to You' uniform.



What will my child need to bring to school?

- ✓ A water Bottle labelled with your child's name containing water only.
- ✓ Coat if needed
- ✓ School Book Bag only (no other bags permitted) to carry your new partnership book and reading books
- ✓ Drawstring PE kit bag with PE uniform
- ✓ A lunchbox if your child is in Year 2,3,4,5 or 6 and not having a school lunch

 Reception and Y1 will all have a free school lunch. Please remember If Y2 request a lunch it will also be free of charge
- ✓ School laptop, charger and case if one has been borrowed.
- ✓ Remote Learning book used at home
- ✓ Special Needs Support Packs if sent home







If it looks like it will be sunny...

- Please ensure your child has sun cream applied at home before the start of the school day. We cannot put sun cream on for your child.
- Ensure your child has a hat and appropriate clothing.
- Remember we now have school summer caps available to order from our uniform suppliers.

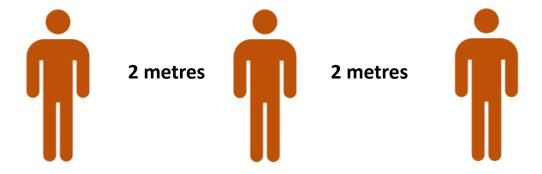




To reduce risk when coming to the school and waiting for gates to open...

Please do NOT:

- Stand around in groups.
- **×** Gather at the gate.
- Arrive at times outside those for pickup/drop off.
- Enter any part of the school grounds or building.



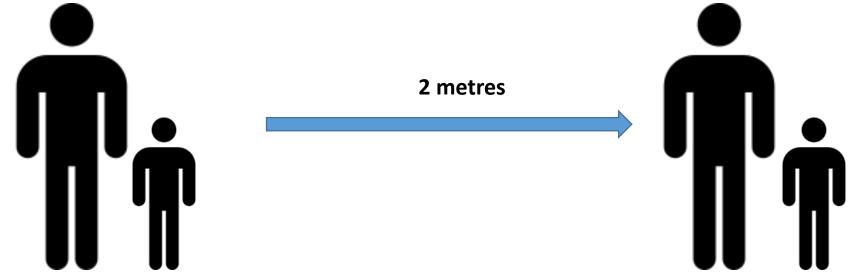
• Entry to school will be by appointment only.

Next is what we need you to do...



To reduce risk when coming to the school

- ✓ Only arrive during the allocated time provided to you.
- ✓ Please space yourselves socially distanced apart from other families.
- ✓ Only 1 adult should accompany your child(ren).
- ✓ Please wear a face covering.
- ✓ Very quickly drop off and leave straight away.





To reduce risk when coming to the school

- Use the specified gates and arrive on time.
- Teachers will be focussing on your children, so conversations with teachers will not be possible, except to pass on very quick messages.
- Use your partnership book for messages to your child's class teacher.
- Mrs Hurst, Miss Devi and Mrs Pye will often be available if you have a longer query and they can come and see you at the gates.
- E-mail or telephone the office if you wish to make an appointment or receive a call back.
- Remember this is not forever.



Which gate and time is allocated to my child's class?

Year Group	Gate	Time of Entry	Time of Exit
Saplings am	GLNP	9am	12pm
Saplings pm	GLNP	12.30pm	3.30pm
Walnut	GLNP	8.45am	3.15pm
Larch	GLNP	8.45am	3.15pm
Juniper	Glapton Lane Pedestrian	8.45am	3.15pm
Willow	Glapton Lane Pedestrian	8.45am	3.15pm
Chestnut	Manor Farm Lane	8.45am	3.15pm
Beech	Manor Farm Lane	8.45am	3.15pm
Oak	Glapton Lane Pedestrian	9am	3.30pm
Sycamore	Glapton Lane Pedestrian	9am	3.30pm
Alder	Green Lane	8.45am	3.30pm
Rowan	Green Lane	8.45am	3.30pm
Hazel (TBC)	Green Lane	8.30am	4pm Mon-Thurs
			3pm Friday
Cherry (TBC)	Green Lane	8.30am	4pm Mon-Thurs
			3pm Friday
Elm	Manor Farm Lane	9am	3.30pm
Birch	Manor Farm Lane	9am	3.30pm



To reduce risk in classrooms...

- Classrooms are clean, clear and really tidy.
- Children will seat facing the front.
- Children will be given their own equipment/stationery packs to use. These will not be shared.
- Lots of lessons will take place outside.
- Classrooms will be regularly cleaned and sanitised.
- Handwashing stations are in every class.
- Cleaning stations are in every class.



Handwashing and Hygiene

We will ensure that all adults and children:

- Frequently wash their hands with soap and water for 20 seconds and dry them thoroughly.
- Clean their hands on arrival at school, before and after eating, and after sneezing or coughing.
- Are encouraged not to touch their mouth, eyes and nose.
- Use a tissue or elbow to cough or sneeze and use special bins for tissue waste ('catch it, bin it, kill it').





To reduce risk if someone is showing symptoms of COVID-19

- We have a separate room for isolation with an adult. The room has ventilation, an external door and running water.
- We will call all listed adults until contact is made so your child can be collected Please ensure your phone number is upto-date and available.
- You will be asked to collect your child straight away and arrange for them to be tested.
- Staff will use PPE if they need to be within 2m to help your child.
- There will be separate toilet facilities for anyone who is showing symptoms.



What if I need to see someone or make a payment?

- You can see teachers and TAs very briefly when they receive your child.
- You can see a senior member of staff (including Mrs Hurst) every morning at the gates if you have an important or longer query.
- You can put a message in your child's partnership book.
- You can phone or email admin@glaptonacademy.co.uk.
- You can arrange a meeting for issues that cannot be dealt with by the above methods.
- You must download the School Gateway App and pay all monies via the app.
- Make sure we have your up-to-date contact details for phone and e-mail as most communications will be electronic.



Finally...

- We are all really looking forward to seeing you!
- Lots of children have been in school throughout this latest lockdown and have really enjoyed their time in their Rangers Bubbles.
- We can't wait to see all other children back in school!
- There are lots of measures in place to ensure that school is a safe and happy place, and we will look after you and your children to help you get used to all the new systems and procedures once again.

