

# **GEMS FirstPoint School**

## **Additional Information for our Parents**

### **Key Stage 1**



**Year 1**

## **Classroom/Individual Learning Space Set Up**

In all Year 1 classes the children will be bubbles of 10. There will be a maximum of 20 children in each Year 1 class and there will be dividers splitting the 2 bubbles of 10 children. The children will stay in their bubble for the whole day and will not be mixing with children in another bubble. The children will store their bags outside the classroom in an allocated cubby. The children will keep their water bottle, packed lunch and any snack for break time under their table. The table that each child will sit at will be divided into half to ensure that they are socially distanced to 1.5m from other children. On the half that the child is not sitting at, there will be a tray containing all of their school books and resources that they alone will use.

## **Teaching**

The teacher will teach the children who are in class and wear a head-microphone so that the children who are remote learning are able to hear the teacher during the lesson. The teacher will share their teaching screen with both the class and the children accessing the learning from home. Children completing the work at home will submit their work via Seesaw/Teams as in the previous distance learning. The teacher will provide online.

## **Resources**

We ask your child to bring a named pencil case which contains the following equipment. This will need to be named where possible.

- Writing pencil
- Colouring pencils
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener

## **Devices**

In Year 1 we launch our Bring Your Own Device learning initiative. Mobile Electronic Devices (MED) are now part of everyday life and can be used as a useful learning tool. Our aim is to develop a healthy balance of online and offline experiences for our students, therefore devices will not be used to replace traditional learning, but used to facilitate and engage students to an extended classroom experience. Further details will be sent out regarding the BYOD launch, however if your child is bringing a device into school, they need to ensure they sanitise this with a wipe on arrival in school, when they remove it from their bag and at the end of the school day before they put in in their bag to bring home.

## **Break/Lunchtime**

The children will eat their snack and lunch in the classroom to start with and sanitise the area where they will eat before and after eating. Initially, until the weather cools down, the children will spend their break and lunch times in their classrooms.

## **Specialist Teaching**

The children will be taught in their bubble of 10 and the specialist teachers will come to the classrooms to teach the children where possible. The children will use the PE facilities to participate in sport and activities that allow for social distancing and within their bubble of 10. They will need to come into school in full PE kit and remain in this for the full school day.

**Year 2**

## **Classroom/Individual Learning Space Set Up**

In all Year 2 classes the children will store their bags under their individual table when they enter the room. The lockers in class will not be used to avoid unnecessary congestion in one area of the class. The children will keep their water bottle, packed lunch and any snack for break time with/within their school bag.

The table that each child will sit at will be divided into half to ensure that they are socially distanced to 1.5m from other children. On the half that the child is not sitting at, there will be a tray containing all of their school books and resources that they alone will use.

## **Teaching**

The teacher will teach the children who are in class and wear a head-microphone so that the children who are remote learning are able to hear the teacher during the lesson. The teacher will share their teaching screen with both the class and the children accessing the learning from home. Children completing the work at home will submit their work via Seesaw/Teams as in the previous distance learning. The teacher will provide online feedback and next steps to support each individual child's development.

## **Resources**

We ask your child to bring a named pencil case which contains the following equipment. This will need to be named where possible.

Writing pencil

Colouring pencils

Glue stick

Scissors

Eraser

Pencil sharpener

## **Devices**

All children will need to bring in their device daily and ensure that they sanitise this with a wipe on arrival in school, when they remove it from their bag and at the end of the school day before they put it in their bag to bring home.

## **Break/Lunchtime**

The children will eat their snack and lunch in the classroom to start with and sanitise the area where they will eat before and after eating. Initially, until the weather cools down, the children will spend their break and lunch times in their classrooms.

## **Specialist Teaching**

The children will be taught in their class bubble and the specialist teachers will come to the classrooms to teach the children. The children will use the PE facilities to participate in sport and activities that allow for social distancing. They will need to come into school in full PE kit and remain in this for the full school day.