





# Heading back to school



A kit for parents, carers and children

## **Health for Kids: Grownups**

These resources will help you support your child in staying safe and getting back into a routine.



#### <u>Coronavirus: Supporting your child</u> <u>as they return to school</u>

We've pulled together information and links from various organisations providing advice and support to help make the transition back into school life.

#### Top tips for effective hand washing

Find tips for washing hands effectively, including the official NHS video, as well as advice on hand sanitisers and how to care for sore hands.





#### <u>Face masks- Does my child need</u> <u>one for school?</u>

Face masks aren't advised for children returning to school. We explain more about the use of face masks.

Further advice and information is regularly added to Health for Kids: Grownups, so keep checking back for more.

## **Changes in school**

In line with <u>Government guidance</u>, each school will manage social distancing as best it can, depending on space and the individual needs of pupils, so there will be differences from one school to the next.

Some of the measures in place will include:



Staggered start, break and lunch times



Smaller class sizes with 'bubbles' or 'pods' of up to 15 pupils who will stay together throughout the day



One way systems in place around school



Different classroom and teachers



Floor markings to highlight two metre distances along corridors and around desks and chairs



Reduced sharing of equipment and toys



Drop-offs and pick-ups limited to one parent or carer per family Talk to the school if you have any questions about the measures they are putting in place

### Let's get talking...

Encourage your child to choose a couple of emojis that best sum up their feelings that day.



These <u>conversation starters</u> will make it easier to talk to your child about their feelings and help them to open up to you.

# Community Immunisation Update

The Community Immunisation Service is awaiting national guidance and clarity on how and when schools will fully reopen and be able to safely accommodate the Immunisation Team.

The Immunisation Nurses are also working closely with schools across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Children who haven't yet started school should still visit the GP to have their routine vaccinations, where all safety measures are adhered to.



The annual nasal flu programme for primary school pupils is currently scheduled to take place as normal from October, and will be extended to Year 7 students too. It's very important that children are vaccinated against the flu to help avoid the circulation of another virus that can be very dangerous.

If you have any questions about your child's immunisations, the Community Immunisation Service can be contacted on 0300 3000 007 or communityimms@leicspart.nhs.uk

# Social stories to support your child

Social stories help to explain changes in routines visually for children. Select the images you think will be most useful for your child and display them somewhere at home where you can refer to them regularly and use them to support conversations.

Helping to Keep Well - Coronavirus - Covid19

- This is a new type of flu.
- It can affect people differently, but scientists tell us younger people are least affected if they get it.
- Symptoms may be a higher than normal temperature and a dry cough.
- A very high number of people make a full recovery and then they are fine.
- The Government may tell us at some point that school will be closed to help keep us safe and healthy. School will let parents and carers know when school is open again.

To try and help keep me and others stay well, I will try and remember to wash my hands with soap and water for 20 seconds.

When should I wash my hands?...



Before I eat my food



After I sneeze, blow my nose or touch my mouth



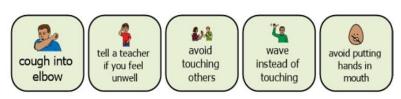
After I go to the toilet



When I come in from being outside or in a public place



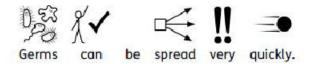
Other ways to help ...

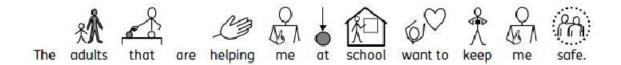


Just like other types of flu, Coronavirus will go away.

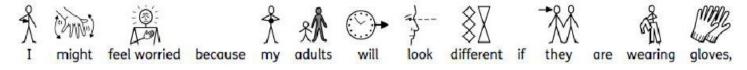




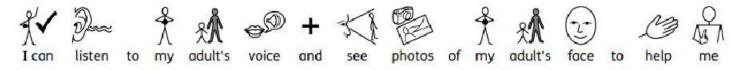




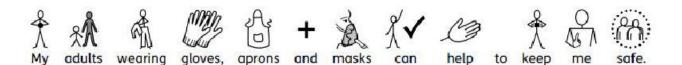














#### Relax and unwind...



To enter: Email entries to: <a href="mailto:communications@leicspart.nhs.uk">communications@leicspart.nhs.uk</a>
Please mark your email NHS heroes competition
and include child's name and age
Entries close Friday 4 July 2020



Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, you may not be able to see your School Nurse face-to-face for advice about your school aged child.

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust runs a dedicated, confidential and secure text messaging service called ChatHealth for parents and carers of children aged 0-19, which enables you to get professional health advice and support in relation to any aspect of your child's physical and emotional health and wellbeing

#### Getting in touch

If you live in Leicester city, text your School Nurse on:

07520 615 381

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