





Hello! We can't wait to welcome you back to Lord Deramore's Primary School in September.



You have all been superheroes. While there has been a nasty virus about, you have been brilliant: you have washed your hands and you have stayed 2m away from people from outside of your house. Some of you have not seen close family and friends, or been able to hug them.



Some of you have been superheroes by coming back to school, where you have coped really well with different teachers, classrooms and routines.

Some of you have been superheroes by staying at home, learning at home and staying safe.

Because you have been brilliant and followed the rules, fewer people are getting the virus, and soon it will be safe for **everyone** to come back to school.



When you come back to school, I am absolutely delighted to say that I (Mrs McKenna) will be your teacher all week and Mrs King will still be our teaching assistant. I am so pleased about this as it feels that we didn't get to finish off Year 2 properly. We can't wait to see you all again and find out what you have been doing and welcome you into our new classroom. We will be in the classroom where Year 3 were last year, just across the corridor from our Year 2 room. It's a lovely room with a view of trees out of the window.

Our first topic is going to be 'Explorers' so be ready to find out about some famous explorers and maybe we'll do a bit of exploring of our own!

When we come back to school, some things will be the same as before:

- You will have your lessons in the classroom
- Mrs King and I will be there to help you



• You will keep your things in a locker



- You will wear your school uniform.
- You will need to bring your pack-up (if you have one), fruity snack and water bottle to school. Don't bring anything else like toys or a pencil case.

You will have playtime with your class mates.



• You will do PE and have time in the forest.



Mr Rourke and Miss Nicholson will still be in the office, looking after everyone and making sure school runs smoothly.





Some other things will be a bit different.

Even though the virus is much less dangerous, it hasn't fully gone away yet. So we still must take care.



- When you come to school in the morning, you will need to come through the gate off Field Lane. You can say goodbye to your parents there then walk down the path.
- Follow the path around the back of the kitchens and to the Year 3 door where Mrs King and I will be waiting to say hello to you. You need to be in school between 8:40am and 8:50am.



• Year 3 and Year 4 will be in a 'bubble' together at school. This means that you can work and play with each other. Unfortunately, you will not be able to work or play with other children in school yet. But it won't be forever. You can still smile and wave at them when you see them. We will all be safe in our own 'bubbles'.



- You will wash your hands when you get to school and more often during the day.
- You will sometimes need to clean equipment that you have used.



• We might be working and playing outside more than usual so make sure you have warm and waterproof outdoor clothes. You can keep a pair of wellies or boots in the outdoor box.

- You will have dinner in the classroom or outside when the weather is nice. It will be like a picnic!
- You will go home at 3:15 as usual. I will take you to the hall door and we will meet the adults on the playground near the bike shelter. You can go out by yourself, but stay near the door until you can see your adult. When you are outside, remember to keep a distance between you and people who are not in your bubble and adults who do not live in your house.



How do you feel about coming back to school?



Something else? A mixture of all of these feelings?

Because you have been away from normal school for so long, it is natural to have these different feelings. All the adults in school understand this and will be there to welcome you, to help with any worries and share your excitement. We will make sure everyone feels safe, happy and ready to learn.



Have a happy and fun summer holiday. We can't wait to see you in Year 3. See you in September! From Mrs McKenna and Mrs King

