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Introduction

During times of hardship, it is of utmost importance our school community works together to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our children. This Home School Agreement highlights some new commitments we expect parents and pupils to make whilst also summarising the additional action the school will make during this period.

This agreement applies during the period of the school's phased reopening and continued operation until all additional national measures for hygiene and distancing are lifted.

This Agreement applies to all pupils currently attending The Spire Federation schools (East Wold & North Cockerington CE Primary Schools).

School Agreement - The school will:

- Carry out detailed planning and organisation for the wider reopening, with detailed consideration of government guidance;
- Provide an environment which has been risk assessed in response to the COVID-19 infection;
- Review the risk assessment at regular intervals and following any change in government guidance;
- Promote the government's social distancing guidance in an age appropriate way;
- Inform you if staff or children in your child's 'bubble' show symptoms of COVID-19, if tested positive, you will all need to self-isolate for at least 14 days;
- Contact parents/carers if a child displays symptoms of COVID-19;
- Communicate between home and school through email, telephone and the school website (the school office is closed);
- Continue to plan home learning activities;
- Seek parental support should your child make either themselves or others vulnerable to risk of infection, by their inability to observe school's Covid-19 social distancing practices, as detailed in our Governing Body approved risk assessments and in adherence to DfE guidance;
- Continue our clear and consistent approach to rewards and sanctions for children as set out in the Behaviour Policy and amendment;
- Introduce an enhanced cleaning schedule and introduced new hygiene and hand washing procedures for all staff and pupils;
- Review and update our Safeguarding procedures;

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- Limit class sizes to ensure 2m social distancing is possible;
- Increase our use of outside space for teaching and learning;
- Implement staggered lunch and break times to reduce contact between groups of children and staff;
- Create a dedicated separate room for anyone with Covid-19 symptoms and put in place detailed procedures for anyone who falls unwell whilst at school;
- Provide Personal Protective Equipment to be ready for the limited times for when it will need to be used, for example when a person falls unwell with Covid-19 symptoms;

Parent Agreement - To help my child at school, I know and understand that:

- If my child, or anyone in my household, shows symptoms of COVID-19, I will not send them to school, we will self-isolate as a family, I will get them tested and I will let the school know as soon as possible via telephone or email;
- If my child shows symptoms of COVID-19 at school, I will collect my child from school immediately;
- On my commute, and when dropping my child off and picking them up, I will adhere to the 2 metre social distancing rules and will bring no additional people with me (unless absolutely necessary).
- When dropping off and picking up, I will be punctual and adhere to the school timings for my child;
- My child must not bring any items into school with them or take items home from school except a lunch box and a drinks bottle;
- I will need to remind my child about social distancing rules, understanding that they are difficult to maintain for primary aged pupils;
- My child will need to use good respiratory and hand hygiene;
- I will not be allowed into the school and understand that communication will remain via email and telephone.
- I need to support all staff in their efforts to create an 'as safe as possible' environment during this period;
- I will need to read all letters/messages/emails that are sent home;

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- I need to inform the school immediately of any changes to parents/carers and emergency contacts details.
- My child must attend school in freshly washed clothes each day of attendance – this does not need to be school uniform.
- My child will wash their hands properly before attending school.
- I will communicate with the school about the attendance of my child on a timely basis.

Pupil Agreement - I will do my best to:

- Follow the social distancing rules in class, around school and in the playground;
- Tell an adult if I feel unwell;
- Only bring in important things, such as my lunch box, hat and drinks bottle;
- Only use the equipment provided to me by school;
- Only mix with my group;
- Stay in my Bubble;
- Only enter and exit the school building by the designated door;
- Follow the one way systems;
- Follow good respiratory hygiene: coughing and sneezing into elbow or tissue (catch it-bin it-kill it);
- Follow good hand hygiene – use soap and water for 20 seconds;
- Behave well at all times to maintain the safety of myself and others.

Together we can support our school community.