

## ORGANISATIONAL MODELS FOR THE PHASED REOPENING OF SCHOOLS

## CHECKS AND BALANCES: RESPONDING TO COVID-19

A toolkit to support leaders as they reopen schools



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# Core expectations around the organisation of learning – common to all models

- To maximise social distancing, class sizes would be reduced to 15.
- Staggered opening and closing times with multiple entry and exit points will be deployed. For primary schools in particular, consideration should also be given to crowding caused around the school building by parents dropping off and collecting their children.
- Breaks and lunch times can be staggered to reduce crowding on corridors and social spaces.
- No assemblies or large gatherings should take place. Form time in the morning would help with pastoral and emotional wellbeing support.
- To minimise movement around school, a special timetable may be needed (particularly for secondary schools) to introduce double rather than single periods and rationalise learning venues. Where possible, pupils should be kept together and taught in the same set of classrooms all day. In primary schools, the same teacher would deliver to the same class of pupils all day. In secondary schools, teachers would move between venues with pupils remaining in their designated spaces.

### Models for partial reopening

- When determining the best model to adopt, schools should consider:
  - Demands placed on staffing it is likely that staff absence will be higher than normal as a result of guidance on isolation.
  - Demands placed on building space this includes availability of large and small spaces.
  - Adequate staffing for pupils who are vulnerable and 1:1 support for medical, behavioural and learning difficulties.
  - The modifications required to the model to reflect the school's local and unique context.
- All the models presented assume as their starting points that schools will prioritise and meet the needs of vulnerable children and the children of critical workers before planning for other cohorts to attend.
- The primary school models are based on a 2FE school.
- The secondary school models are based on a 4FE school.

This guidance is supplementary to the Toolkit and should be read in conjunction with it.

## Primary school models

#### Daily model (2 year group model) - 29% capacity

Week commencing	R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Notes
1 June	Mon - Tues	Wed - Thurs					Fri	R, Y1, Y6 if Government guidance permits it
8 June	Mon - Tues	Wed - Thurs					Fri	R, Y1, Y6 if Government guidance permits it
15 June	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Mon - Thurs	Fri	Open to other year groups if government guidance permits it
22 June	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
29 June	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
6 July	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
13 July	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Mon - Thurs	Fri	

#### Daily model (3 year group model) - 43% capacity

Week commencing	R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Notes
1 June	Mon - Tues	Wed - Thurs					Fri	R, Y1, Y6 if Government guidance permits it
8 June	Mon - Tues	Wed - Thurs					Fri	R, Y1, Y6 if Government guidance permits it
15 June	Mon & Tues	Tues & Wed	Wed & Thurs	Thurs & Fri	Fri & Mon	Mon - Thurs	Fri	Open to other year groups if government guidance permits it
22 June	Mon & Tues	Tues & Wed	Wed & Thurs	Thurs & Fri	Fri & Mon	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
29 June	Mon & Tues	Tues & Wed	Wed & Thurs	Thurs & Fri	Fri & Mon	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
6 July	Mon & Tues	Tues & Wed	Wed & Thurs	Thurs & Fri	Fri & Mon	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
13 July	Mon & Tues	Tues & Wed	Wed & Thurs	Thurs & Fri	Fri & Mon	Mon - Thurs	Fri	

Weekly model	(3.5	year group model	) - 50% capacity
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Week commencing	R Group A	R Group B	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Notes
1 June	Mon - Tues	Mon - Tues	Wed - Thurs					Fri	R, Y1, Y6 if government guidance permits it
8 June	Mon -Tues	Mon - Tues	Wed - Thurs					Fri	R, Y1, Y6 if government guidance permits it
15 June	Х			Х	Х		Mon - Thurs	Fri	Open to other year groups if government guidance permits it. Move to weekly model.
22 June		Х	Х			Х	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
29 June	Х			Х	Х		Mon - Thurs	Fri	
6 July		Х	Х			Х	Mon - Thurs	Fri	
13 July	Х			Х	Х		Mon - Thurs	Fri	

## Secondary school models

While the government does not expect year 10 and year 12 pupils to return to school or college on a full-time basis at this stage, they are asking secondary schools to offer some face to face support to these pupils from 1 June. In the event that it is possible for year 10 and 12 to return to full time school, the following alternative approaches may be helpful.

Model	Year 12	Year 10								Year 9	Year 8	Year 7
M1	<ul> <li>All pupils attend if they have lessons.</li> <li>Timetable adjusted so only one or two specific blocks taught on any given day.</li> <li>Lessons taught until lunch time.</li> <li>Pupils to go home at lunch time.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pupils attend school to participate in a series of face to face support sessions with teachers of each of their subjects.</li> <li>Split pupils in to 5 groups based on surname – Groups A, B, C, D and E. Each group to attend once a week.</li> <li>All subjects to be covered over 2 weeks. Week 1 would be 4 subjects. Week 2 would be 4 subjects. For example, a Group A student would arrive at school at 8am on Monday and go to their teacher for English (8am till 8.50am), Maths (8.50am till 9.40am), Science (9.55am till 10.45am) and Hi/Gg (10.45 till 11.35am).</li> <li>Teachers would use this time to check on home-based learning and agree next steps.</li> <li>All pupils would be located in one area of the school to minimise movement.</li> </ul>								• Years 7, learning	8 and 9 to c at home.	ontinue
		Mon 8am-11 Grou	day .35am a	Tuesday 8am-11.35am Group B	Wednes 8am-11.3 Group	5am 8am-11	.35am	Friday 8am-11.35am Group E				
M2	<ul> <li>All pupils attend if they have lessons.</li> <li>Timetable adjusted so only one or two specific blocks taught on any given day.</li> <li>Lessons taught until lunch time.</li> <li>Pupils to go home at lunch time.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pupils would of</li> <li>Pupils attend</li> <li>Split pupils in weeks.</li> <li>All subjects to</li> <li>Teachers wout</li> <li>All pupils wout</li> <li>Lunch to be point</li> <li>Week</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> </ul>	school to par to 3 groups b be covered ld use this tir d be located	ticipate in a seri based on surnan on the day. me to check on l in one area of t upils in all day. day Tu based Hom hing lea	es of face to ne – Groups home-based	s A, B and C. E	ach group gree next ement. Thu Home lear Home	o to attend once of steps. rsday F 8a b-based G rning -based G rning G		Years 7, learning	8 and 9 to c at home.	ontinue
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M3	<ul> <li>All pupils attend if they have lessons.</li> <li>Timetable adjusted so only one or two specific blocks taught on any given day.</li> <li>Lessons taught until lunch time.</li> <li>Pupils to go home at lunch time.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pupils v</li> <li>Each gi support on hom</li> <li>All pupi</li> <li>No lunc</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pupils would be offered a blended learning model.</li> <li>Pupils would be split into halves based on surname – Groups A and B.</li> <li>Each group would attend for two half days for English and Maths lessons.</li> <li>Each group would attend full day every other Friday. Pupils would participate in a series of face to face support sessions with teachers of non English and Maths subjects. Teachers would use this time to check on home-based learning and agree next steps.</li> <li>All pupils would be located in one area of the school to minimise movement.</li> <li>No lunch to be provided Mon-Thurs. Lunch to be provided on consultation day as pupils in all day.</li> <li>Week Time slots Monday 8.00am- 12.15pm 12.15pm 12.15pm 12.15pm 12.15pm</li> </ul>							ue
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		2	8am-10am 10.15am- 12.15pm 1.30pm- 3.00pm	English Group A Maths Group A Home-based Iearning	English Group A Maths Group A Home-based learning	English Group B Maths Group B Home-based Iearning	English Group B Maths Group B Home-based Iearning	Consultation with Teachers Group B		
M4	<ul> <li>All pupils attend if they have lessons.</li> <li>Timetable adjusted so only one or two specific blocks taught on any given day.</li> <li>Lessons taught until lunch time.</li> <li>Pupils to go home at lunch time.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Group /</li> <li>By halv</li> <li>During</li> </ul>	A and B attend ing the number the week at ho	it in to two halves - on alternate week r of pupils, class si me, pupils would c nt for that subject).	s. zes will allow soci complete independ	ial distancing.	ı ch subject (equiv	valent to the	• Years 7, 8 and 9 to contin learning at home.	ue

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Μ5	<ul> <li>All pupils attend if they have lessons.</li> <li>Timetable adjusted so only one or two specific blocks taught on any given day.</li> <li>Lessons taught until lunch time.</li> <li>Pupils to go home at lunch time.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All pupils attend full day, full week.</li> <li>Split Year 10 in to two halves, Group A and Group B – each with their own special timetable (see template school plan).</li> </ul>		8 and 9 to 6 at home.	continue