



St George's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy

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"We are learning and growing together as God's family. We will always do our best to love and respect each other as we prepare for our future".

Tuesday 2nd March 2021

Dear Parents,

As we prepare for full school opening on **Monday 8th March 2021**, I am writing to let you know about our continued measures to keep our school community safe as we continue to remain in National lockdown. When you enter the school site, the following measures will be in place for everyone's safety. **Please read the following information carefully.**

Face coverings for ALL ADULTS - Those who are medically exempt must let the school office know via e mail.

Social distancing during drop offs and pick-ups on the playground - You must respect the signage outside school and keep a safe distance from each other.

One parent/carer on site - It is strictly one parent/carer on site for drop off and collection. Only one house member on the school grounds will further reduce risks.

Quick 'drop and go' - To avoid overcrowding.

Being on time - It is most important that you arrive on time so that we avoid children entering school through the main front doors into the lobby and therefore mixing within "bubbles". Please show support for what the school is doing during this time.

Year group times reminder

Year Group	Start Time	Finish Time
Reception	8.55	3.05
1	8.50	3.15
2	8.40	3.10
3	8.40	3.15
4	8.45	3.20
5	8.45	3.20
6	8.50	3.25

Entering the school building – Face masks are required.

Please do not enter the school building to make a non-urgent query. Parents are asked to telephone or mail the school office if they have a query.

If you wish to speak to a member of staff

Please make an appointment to speak with the staff member through the school office via telephone or e mail. If a face to face appointment is not necessary, teachers can call parents after school to discuss any concerns you may have. All other communication can be as normal, through the reading record.

Additional safety measures – Clubs

Swimming will not take place for year 5 pupils.

Clubs run by Mr Lewis will continue and begin the first week back – details to follow.

Wrap around care – Breakfast and After school clubs will remain closed and this will be reviewed for after Easter.

IMPORTANT – Covid symptoms - Do not send your child to school with symptoms or if family members have symptoms or the child or family member is awaiting test results.

Staff Testing – Staff are now part of the twice weekly mass testing programme in schools. You must and ensure to continue to check PING for messages re closure of bubbles if a staff member tests positive or any pupils in the bubble have a confirmed case.

From Monday 1 March, households with primary school children, can test themselves twice every week at home as schools return from Monday 8 March. The twice-weekly test kits can be accessed:

- via employers if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test site
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit online

Thank you for your continued support in making the school a safe place for everyone. All staff at St George's firmly believes that children need to be in school and we look forward to returning with high attendance to enable progress and achievement.

We look forward to seeing you. Kind Regards,

Mrs Deirdre Monaghan Headteacher