

St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parent/Carer

ARRANGEMENTS FOR RETURNING TO SCHOOL FROM 03 SEPTEMBER 2020

We are really looking forward to seeing you all in September - we have really missed you! It was a pleasure welcoming some children back to school last half term. They settled in quickly and coped really well in their bubbles. I am sure you are aware that we now have the guidance telling us how school will look in September and I am thrilled to be able to write to you and bring you up to date with our plans for St Augustine's.

Firstly, let me reassure you that all guidance from the Government and Health Authorities has been carefully discussed and will be followed as applicable. This means the school will be cleaned more regularly throughout the day. This will include additional cleaning of tables, door handles and toilets.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

†All members of the school community are expected to wash their hands on entry to the building, before/after eating any food and at other times during the day. Hand Sanitizer is available in all rooms. We shall supervise how children wash their hands and deliver regular reminders about good hygiene. All classrooms have tissues and paper towels available.

†All children will be part of a class bubble which means those children stay together and do not mix with other children. We have staggered starts and finishes to the day. If you have children in different classes, they may be dropped off and collected at the same time as other members of the family.

†When dropping off or collecting your children, please adopt social distancing measures as marked out on the school wall/pavement. Members of staff will be available to welcome the children and make sure they enter the site safely.

†START/FINISH TIMES:

➤ Y1	9.05 am/3.25 pm
➤ Y2	9.05 am/3.25 pm
➤ Y3	8.55 am/3.20 pm
➤ Y4	8.45 am/3.10 pm
➤ Y5	8.55 am/3.20 pm
➤ Y6	8.45 am/3.10 pm

†The children will have staggered lunch/play times and allocated play areas outside so that groups can remain separated.

†The normal procedures for lunches will be in place. Children in Y3/4/5/6 who bring their own lunch may use a sandwich box as previously.

†Classes will be allocated specific times in the hall so that groups can remain separated.

†**ALL money coming into school MUST be in a named envelope stating what the money is for.**
Parents must **NOT** call at the school office with money or for any other reason. Money **must** be sent with your child into their classroom.

†**If parents have any queries, please telephone or e-mail the school office.**

†Children will be expected to wear school uniform. Please wash uniform regularly at home.

†Physical Education lessons will take place outside where possible in order to minimise the risk of spreading infection. Normal PE kit will be needed.

†Within the class bubbles, children will sit in rows. They will not sit opposite each other so that they will not breathe directly onto each other.

†Children **MUST NOT** bring in pencils etc - all equipment will be provided in school.

†Most class resources will be used by only one child eg pens, pencils, crayons and scissors. These will not be shared with others.

†Other resources that may have to be shared will be wiped down with disinfectant between uses. This will be the same for any shared PE equipment if used.

†No whole school activities will take place as this would mean contact between the class bubbles. Collective worship will take place within classroom bubbles.

†Information about possible after-school clubs will be shared in September.

†Children should only bring their blue reading bag (£6.50) to school. Key rings or other identity tags should not be attached - please write your child's name and class clearly on the card on the front of the bag.

†Children will bring home reading books, homework books and homework diaries. Please record each day the reading/tables practice/other homework that has been completed.

†We expect Y1 Phonics assessment, Y2 SATs and Y6 SATs to take place next summer.

†Children will **NOT** need face masks in school. If you want your child to wear a mask for their journey to school, please remove it at the gate and take it home with you.

†Our full revised risk assessment will be available on the school website.

†If your child is unwell with a high **temperature/a new persistent cough/loss of taste or smell**, they **MUST NOT** come to school and will **need to be tested for COVID 19**.

†This also applies if you or any member of your household has these symptoms.

†Everyone else is expected to attend school daily.

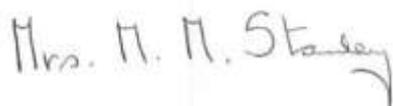
†**If a child becomes unwell for any reason during the school day**, normal procedures will be followed and you will be contacted if necessary.

†**If your child presents with symptoms of Covid-19**, he/she will be supervised by an appropriate first-aider who will wait with them in an identified room until a parent/authorised adult arrives to collect him/her. Parents should then follow the government guidance on isolation and testing and ring 111 for advice.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us and please check our website daily.

Thank you for your support. Stay safe and keep well.

Yours sincerely



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