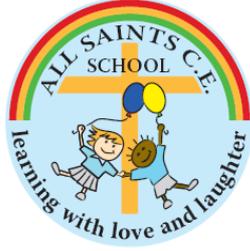




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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you are all safe and well. I wish to share with you the arrangements for when your child returns to school in June. This information applies to all families and is a change of routine for those who have attended throughout the closure. The first week back, we are open to a wider range of children of Key Workers who have arranged a place with us. We will then give times and dates for the phased return of other pupils. This may be on a part-time basis. It is a parental decision as to whether you choose to send your child into school. We will respect whichever decision that you make.

The safety of pupils, families and staff is our over-riding concern. Social distancing in a school is particularly problematic, especially with younger children and will probably not be achievable at all times. However, we are introducing measures outlined in official guidance that we have received. At All Saints' we pride ourselves on the warm family atmosphere that we create for our children. I wish to reassure parents that we will continue to nurture and care for your child. I do need to tell you that many aspects of school will be different for returning pupils.

We are putting the following measures in place:

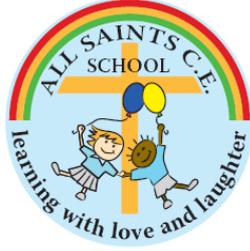
- Staggered start and finish times.
- Small classes of no more than 15 pupils. Please be aware that your child may not be with their usual teacher or in their usual classroom or all their classmates. The logistics of this organisation are significant and unfortunately you will not be able to choose the group that your child is placed in.
- Lessons, breaks and dinner times will be staggered with a 'bubble' approach adopted, so that the children remain within their groups to limit contact with staff and other children.
- The school office will not be open to parents. Please telephone or email if you need assistance or wish to pass on a message. Please do not do this from the school playground.
- There will be minimal movement around school.
- Extra cleaning during the day will take place.
- The 2 metre rule will be reinforced and constant reminders from staff first thing in the morning and after dinner.
- One-way system outside school for parents and children. Please enter through the Foundation Stage gate, walk around the back of the main building, through the KS1 playground and exit via the main pedestrian gate. I understand this is a longer walk than normal, but it is the best system possible.
- There will be no Breakfast Club or After-school provision.
- Children will see the same staff members each day.
- Children will sit in the same seat whenever they attend with their own pencil etc. provided by school.
- All children must wash their hands before they leave home.

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- Children will wash their hands frequently during the day, older children can also bring their own hand sanitiser, if you feel they will use it appropriately.
- Children must bring their own water bottle that has been washed and refilled at home.
- Children will wear school uniform. This should be clean on each day.
- No bags or pencil cases from home.
- All reading will be done in school; no books will go home.
- Children will need to bring their coat and a hat if sunny. This will be stored in the classroom.
- PE kits will not be needed.
- School dinners will only be provided for children on FSM and UFSM (reception, year one and two). All other children will need a packed lunch from home. Please try to provide a healthy meal with no nuts, fizzy drinks or chocolate bars. No fabric lunch bags, either plastic boxes or a disposable bag.
- There will be no facility for paying for a school meal at this time.
- If first aid needs administering, then school staff have got PPE in order to keep themselves and the children safe.

I would also like you to commit to the safety of pupils and staff in school by:

- Self-isolating for 14 days if your child or a member of your household has symptoms.
- Keep to social distancing until it is lifted. Do not send your child to school if you have not been adhering to this. This would be irresponsible and present a threat to other people.
- Thoroughly clean lunch boxes every night.
- Ensure your child arrives in clean clothes every day.
- Provide your child with a packet of tissues if at all possible.
- Ensure your child has washed their hands before they leave the house in the morning.
- Keep to the one-way system and don't gather at the gates, or in the playground.
- Social distance from other parents, on the playground, even if they are friends or extended family.
- Only one adult to drop off their children. Only bring other children with you if absolutely necessary. Your children must stand with you and are not allowed to go off and play or to go up to other families/ adults.
- Stick to your drop off and pick up times. Please do not be late. We may not be able to accommodate you if you are.

I know this sounds very different to your usual experience of our school, but we will make it as pleasant as possible for the children. They will soon get used to the new normal! I do feel that the new normal will be around for the foreseeable future.

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At present, the definition of a key worker has not changed and just because you have gone back to work, it doesn't necessarily make you a key worker. If you are unsure, please contact us and we will do our best to support you.

I am aware there is a lot of information here. It may not be what you expected, but it is a very difficult situation to manage. All school layouts are different, so please don't compare what we are doing to other schools. Also, be aware that this plan may have to change with medical advice or further guidance.

We are looking forward to seeing our wonderful children and families.
Best wishes,
Mrs Hardy

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