



All Saints' C.E. Primary School

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I hope that this letter finds you all safe, well and looking forward to the term ahead. We are really looking forward to having ALL children back in school next Thursday 3rd September and have robust safety measures in place that will be fully adhered to by all members of the school community. (Please see website for updated version to be posted following staff review on 2nd September). Classrooms are fully prepared, teachers have had transition discussions, and virtually all children had the opportunity to meet their new teachers at the end of last term. Things haven't changed significantly since the newsletter posted at the end of last term but please see below for some reminders:

In school we will continue to:

- ensure robust hand and respiratory hygiene
- provide enhanced cleaning arrangements
- active engagement with NHS Test and Trace
- organise children in class 'bubbles' to reduce mixing and therefore contamination
- arrange classrooms with forward facing desks
- ensure that staff maintain distance from pupils and other staff as much as possible
- ensure that staff wear full PPE when providing first aid or intimate care or when entering classrooms outside their bubbles
- organise staggered playtimes and lunchtimes

We request that parents and carers:

- do not send any bags or equipment to go to and from school - just water bottles, packed lunch if appropriate and hand sanitising gel (if desired/clearly named). All equipment will be provided by school.
- dress children in school uniform unless PE is being taught. On 'PE days' children can wear PE kit and appropriate footwear. This is to avoid changing of clothes and use of bags.

Class	PE Days
EYFS	This will be organised when inductions are completed and parents will be informed
Miss Kendrick	Thursdays and Fridays
Mr Tyson	Thursdays and Fridays
Mrs Ridley and Mrs Brookes-Hall	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Mrs Akers	Thursdays and Fridays
Mr Gibbs	Wednesdays and Fridays
Mr Redfern	Mondays and Fridays

One of the measures in place to reduce contact between members of our school community is to stagger start and home times so that we do not have groups of parents or pupils congregating on the playgrounds or outside the school gates. The one-way system for pick up and drop off that has worked so well during lockdown will remain in place. There will be members of staff on both playground gates to welcome and dismiss pupils. Please stick to the allocated drop off and pick up times to help us.

Start times **September 2020:**

	Start	Home
EYFS	9am	3pm
KS1 (years 1 & 2)	8.45am	3.10pm
LKS2 (years 3 & 4)	8.55am	3.20pm
UKS2 (years 5 & 6)	8.50am	3.15pm

To reiterate my message in last term's newsletter; we are not expecting children to come into school as they normally would. For many children lockdown has been an incredibly difficult experience. Many children will not have been in school for a significant length of time and we want to make their return to school as comfortable as possible. There will be a need to catch up on missed learning but more importantly a need to re-establish relationships and transition from home to school.

There will be adaptations to the curriculum. Our priorities are both pupils' fundamental well-being and secure, positive academic development. We are not expecting pupils to come into school and begin the curriculum as prescribed for their new year group. There will be a 'recovery curriculum', where learning that has been missed from the previous year will be revisited to form a firm foundation for future learning. There will be an emphasis on PSHE and encouraging pupils to talk about how they are feeling.

Small group teaching and 1:1 intervention programs will be used to support learners who have fallen significantly behind.

Showbie

Showbie will be used for homework tasks as well as giving advanced notice re planning/topics etc. We want to keep harnessing the wonderful input from parents over the past few months. However, homework will not be set initially so that we can focus on settling children back into the routines of school life. Showbie/Zoom calls will be ready and waiting in case we are in lockdown/partial lockdown at some point ready for blended learning.

Meal Prices

There will be an increase in meal prices and they will now cost £2.35 per day. Bookings can be made in the usual way.

Behaviour and Marking Policies.

Both policies have been significantly updated in light of Covid 19. They will be shared with the children so that they are clear about expectations and the necessity of working together to ensure the highest standards of health, safety and well-being. They will be posted on the website by the end of next week following formal review by staff.

The government has published information about getting children back into school. Please follow this link if you would like to read it. Also, bear in mind that such guidance is constantly changing.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-cornovirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

We all look forward to seeing the children back in school next Thursday 3 September. Contact me by email if you have any further questions headteacher@allsaints-alrewas.staffs.sch.uk.

Best wishes

Ms Golden