



All Saints' C.E. Primary School

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Return to School Monday 8th March 2021

Since the national Lockdown began on January 5th, we have been able to safely provide education for over 80 children in school, whilst also providing support for learners at home via Zoom and Showbie. We are now very much looking forward to welcoming the wider school back and getting back to some kind of normality. Our intention is to settle the children back in and reintegrate them with their peers. In the coming weeks we will begin to assess gaps in learning and reinstate as many 'normal' school activities as possible. Although rates of infection have dropped, we need to remain vigilant. The situation regarding Covid19 continues to evolve, with new variants emerging.

Health and Safety Measures

In school we will:

- ensure robust hand and respiratory hygiene
- increase classroom ventilation, with open doors and windows
- provide enhanced cleaning arrangements
- all staff to use Lateral Flo Testing, twice a week
- children in class 'bubbles' - for learning, break and lunch
- arrange desks in forward facing rows
- ensure that staff maintain distance from pupils and other staff as much as possible
- staff to wear PPE when providing first aid or intimate care or when entering communal areas or classrooms outside their bubbles
- organise staggered playtimes and lunchtimes
- 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
- children to wear PE kit/leisure wear every day: t-shirts, sweatshirts and jogging bottoms or leggings (Wear school PE kit if you can). This is so the children can engage in regular bursts of exercise outside the normal timetable. We hope this will make things easier for children (and parents) - any of whom have outgrown uniform and shoes etc.

Staggered start and end times

We have made a few tweaks with our arrangements to further improve safety and ask that you do your best to cooperate with us, as always.

Morning Drop Off

EYFS will be open from 9am

The rest of the children (years 1 to 6), can be dropped from 8.45am

We strongly advise that parents wear masks in and around the playground and entrances to school.

Changes to the end of the Day

We are altering the way the children are dismissed at the end of the day to reduce congestion. Early Years will be dismissed at the usual time of 3pm.

Years 1 to 6 Dismissal times - by surnames

3.05pm Beginning with O to Z

3.10pm Beginning with G to N

3.15pm Beginning with A to F

Children from the juniors are welcome to join parents on the infant playground who are collecting younger children. There will be at least one member of staff around at the day to ensure the smooth running of this.

Reminders:

- **PLEASE** stick to the one-way system in place on the infant playground
- **PLEASE** wear masks around school at drop-off and pick-up times
- Send children to school in plenty of layers so that they keep warm with the extra ventilation in place
- **PLEASE DO NOT** send children into school with **ANY** symptoms - Covid 19 or otherwise.
- Consider having regular rapid flow tests - ideally before sending children back into school. There are several sites in the area, many where you don't have to book an appointment.

Showbie

As we return to school, we will continue to post English and maths focus objectives along with a week of English and maths lessons on Showbie for pupils who are isolating. I would like to thank all members of our school community; staff, parents and children for their adaptability and resilience during this challenging time. I am sure you will join me in thanking all members of the teaching team for their commitment, flexibility and enthusiasm during Lockdown.