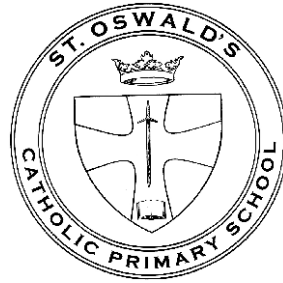




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### RE- SEPTEMBER YEAR 2

Dear Parent or Carer,

I hope that you are all safe and well, I wanted to write to give you some details about changes we have to put in place for when your child starts in September.

Over the last few months there has been lots of changes to our systems and organisation, looking forward to September and whole school reopening, there will still need to be adaptations in order to operate safely as a school.

We will be operating following government guidance and putting in place several controls to minimise the risk of transmission of Covid-19. You can see a full copy of our Covid-19 risk assessment on our website. We will regularly update this as guidance changes.

Whilst the government have indicated that the prevalence of coronavirus has decreased, the NHS Test and Track system is up and running and it is important that our whole school community work together to protect each other. I would love nothing more than to operate a normal school day, but unfortunately, I cannot and I ask for your patience and understanding once more.

### Drop off & Pick up

Our plans for September aim to keep children in clear and consistent class/year bubbles. This will help school to limit the number of contacts children have with different people whilst still allowing them to have a school curriculum. In order to do this, we have arranged **some** staggered starts and ends of the school day with 5-minute windows for classes to access safely. I know that the staggered start times at the start and end of the school day will be problematic for those of you who work or who have a number of children in different classes across the school but we have to follow the guidance and reduce the mixing of children as much as possible.

It is important that families stick to their allocated times and practise social distancing whilst picking up or dropping children off. Your child's entrance and exit door may be different, so please ensure you have the correct information. The timings of the school day are altered but there is no reduction in teaching time.

### YEAR 2

**Mrs Hindley's class will enter and exit via her class door, timings are 8.45am- 3.00pm**

**Mrs Moscardini's class will enter and exit via her classroom door, timings are 8.45am- 3.00pm**

**Miss Guy's class will enter via infant school hall door, timings are 8.45am- 3.00pm**

Unfortunately, parents will still not be allowed into our building and we ask that if children are accompanied to school by one family member only to reduce crowding.

We realise that it may be difficult for you to drop your child off and not come into the room to settle them but unfortunately Covid rules prevent this happening. We will keep in touch with you and if there are any problems we will phone and let you know.

### **Lunches**

The school meal service will be back to operating in both school kitchens, the menus will be posted on the school website. Lunch service will be staggered to prevent year group bubbles mixing. The children in each year group will be allocated a slightly different lunch to allow all children to be able to access our halls. **The Year 2 lunch will be 12.15 -1.15pm**

### **Breakfast club & After school clubs**

For the first week of the new term there will be no clubs. This is due to the fact that children from different bubbles are not allowed to mix, which causes some difficulties with staffing as we usually have children from Rec to Y6 in the clubs. We will be reviewing these arrangements during the first week back and will let you know what has been decided.

### **Keeping us safe**

I hope that the arrangements have not made anyone anxious about coming to school, the risk assessments and controls are to make sure we are all safe. The most important thing will can do is wash hands regularly and try and keep our distance. In September there will no doubt be additional guidance-I can't wait!!

For the start of the new school year we are back to full school uniform please with hair tied back. I know this is a long letter with lots of details but I needed you to have as much information as possible before we finish. **School ends 12 noon on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July and reopens for children on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.**

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to welcoming you back in September

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation

Yours sincerely

Mrs Walsh

Headteacher