

St Peter's C.E. Academy

10th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Important information regarding the full reopening of St. Peter's CE Academy from the 3rd September

Following the Government guidelines released on the 1st July, which states their wish for all children to return to school full time, I am now in a position to share our full reopening plan from Thursday 3rd September. Our plan is designed to balance and minimise any risk from the coronavirus with providing a full educational experience for the children of St. Peter's CE Academy.

Please be aware that we continue to receive further guidance from the Government in relation to how arrangements, risk assessment and protective measures should be implemented safely in a school environment. Our planning is on-going and subject to change. Final details will be confirmed in August, which will confirm the staggered start and end times to the day.

Class and Year Group Bubbles

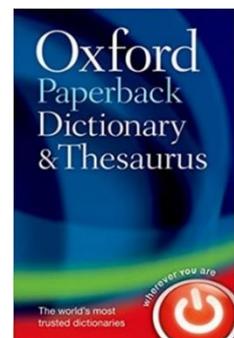
From September, every class will become their own bubble group of up to 30 children. Each class bubble will be based in their own classroom with their class teacher. The teacher will remain socially distanced from the children and the children will be spaced out across the room in pairs. Each classroom space will look slightly different to normal as all tables and chairs will be front facing. Tables will be spaced out across the room, but not to a specific measurement.

Each class bubble in Year 3, Year 4, Year 4/5 and Year 5 will remain distanced from other bubbles during the school day in line with protective measures, including breaks and lunch times. We will be continuing to use two separate zones in our playground to facilitate this. Year 6 will remain as separate class bubbles during lesson times but will join together as a year group bubble during their allocated break and lunch time. The reason for joining this year group together is due to timetabling staggered breaks and lunches. As these children are the oldest in the school, we know they will be able to socially distance more easily and as it is their final year at St. Peter's we want to be able to offer the children some time with their friends from both classes.

Equipment

The children will be provided with all their own exercise books, as well as individual copies of whole class reading books to use in class. All children will be given their own pencil case, including all the stationery they will need for the academic year – **therefore please do not send in any other equipment.**

It would be really helpful if you could provide your child with their own dictionary and thesaurus, similar to the one pictured. This version is available from Amazon for approximately £6.50. We have some copies in school which can be shared but not enough for one per child.



Where children will need to share resources, such as play equipment, or maths manipulatives (such as counters, shapes, clocks etc.), we will make sure they are clean after each use.

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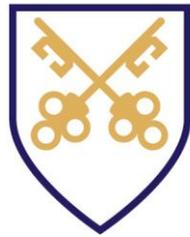
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Staggered Start and End of School Day

As we only have one entrance to our site, as well sharing the surrounding grounds with Manor School, we will be operating a staggered start and end to the school day. The proposed timings are listed in the table below by the child's surname. This is to support families with siblings being able to drop both children off at school at the same time. These proposed times will be confirmed in the next letter sent out in August.

| Child's Surname | Arrival Time | Collection Time |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| A – G | 8:20 – 8:30 | 15:10 – 15:20 |
| H – M | 8:30 – 8:40 | 15:20 – 15:30 |
| N – Y | 8:40 – 8:50 | 15:30 – 15:40 |

Each bubble will enter the building via a specific external door. All doors will be opened to minimise contact and a member of staff will be nearby to welcome them. Markers have been placed on the floor to help the children observe social distancing measures where small groups of children arrive at the same time. Based on the timings given above, we are anticipating up to 12 children arriving per time slot, per class bubble. Parents will be able to accompany their children to the entrance point if they wish, then follow the one-way system around the school to exit the site. Further details will be sent out about collection points in the next letter.

On arrival, all children will store their belongings in their designated spaces or lockers, then wash their hands following good hygiene practices. They will then go straight into class and stay seated at their desk. Morning tasks will be provided for the children to complete.

Break and Lunchtime Arrangements

All children will be required to wash their hands before and after each break and lunch time, or to use hand sanitiser. The children will use the hand washing areas outside of their classrooms to do this. Additional time has been built into the school timetable to ensure no-one misses out during their free time.

Each class bubble will have a staggered break and lunch time to minimise the number of children and class bubbles on the playground and field at any one time. During lunchtimes, the playground and field will be split into two zones and each class bubble will be allocated a zone to play in.

All children will be encouraged to socially distance during break and lunch times. We will be operating a NO TOUCH rule both inside the classroom and outside during breaks and lunchtimes.

School Dinners

For the first half term (September – October), Manor School Catering will be offering packed lunches only, via their normal ordering process. If parents wish to order a packed lunch for their child, you will need to log on to Wisepay and complete the booking form by the Sunday evening of the week you wish to book them for. If your child is poorly, or needs to isolate, meals will be refunded to your account. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, you will need to book their packed lunch using the Wisepay system. The government voucher scheme will no longer be running in September.

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Attendance

From the 3rd September, all children will be expected to return to school every day, Monday to Friday. We will be implementing our normal school procedures for tracking and recording attendance and following up any absences. If your child is ill, it is important that you contact the school as soon as possible, and no later than 9:30am on the morning of the absence, providing a clear explanation for the reason for non-attendance.

We appreciate that some children and families may feel anxious about their child returning to school, especially if they have not attended any of our bubble groups, our reconnection days or transition days. Please discuss these concerns with your child's current class teacher, or our Pastoral Officer, who will be more than willing to help alleviate your worries.

Wraparound Care

In order to support our families at St. Peter's CE Academy and any siblings attending Raunds Park Infants to minimise the number of different people they come in contact with, we are planning to offer a breakfast club and after school club provision based on the St. Peter's school site. We are aware that Raunds Playgroup may not be able to offer this service in the Autumn term and we want to make sure we provide this service to our community. To register your interest for this wraparound care, please click on the link to complete the online form, no later than Tuesday 14th July. Link here: <https://bit.ly/RPASPEwraparound>

Further details of timings, prices and places available, will be communicated to the parents who have registered their interest using this online form.

Uniform

From September, all children will be required to wear full school uniform. Where possible, please ensure your child wears clean uniform each day. It is still available to order from our provider Rock-it! Promotions. There will be no PE lessons planned for Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September. During these first two days you will be informed of the days for your child's PE lessons. On these days, the children will need to attend school in their PE uniform – as they won't be able to change onsite. Their PE uniform consists of a navy hooded top (school branded version available to order), their white PE t-shirt, navy jogging bottoms and trainers. The hooded top and jogging bottoms do not need to be purchased from our uniform supplier.

If you have any further questions or queries regarding the information in this letter, please don't hesitate to contact me at jcasswell@stpetersschoolraunds.co.uk and I will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,
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