

26th February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Arrangements for Monday 8th March

I hope that you have all enjoyed a safe and relaxing half term holiday and are now looking forward to the full re-opening of the school on Monday 8th March. I would like to thank you all for your perseverance, patience and support during the lock down period and to personally thank the school staff for their flexibility in delivering remote learning online since January.

Please find details below of the updated arrangements, which we hope you will find useful.

Start Date

All children are expected to return to school on Monday 8th March. The only exceptions will be any children who are shielding due to being Clinically Extremely Vulnerable (CEV), or they have a medical exemption certificate or they have been asked to self-isolate due to a positive COVID case within the family.

Remote Learning

Weekly remote learning timetables will continue to be added to our website and Teams pages. Lessons will be planned in line with lessons in school, but there will be no 'live' taught sessions unless there is a full bubble closure. Please refer to our remote learning plan on the school website for more details if required.

Attendance

Government guidance states that attendance for all pupils is mandatory unless they meet one of the criteria stated above. We appreciate that some parents will be apprehensive about sending their child(ren) back into school. Please liaise directly with our Pastoral Officer, Mrs Jones, if you would like to discuss the matter further via email on kjones@stpetersschoolraunds.co.uk.

Arrival and End Times

We will be operating a soft start and end of day collection as before. One parent should drop off / collect their child where possible and will be required to wear a face mask whilst on site. The one-way system and the drop off and pick up points for each class remain the same. The times are as follows:

Arrival: 8:20am – 8:40am.
Pick Up: 3:00pm – 3:20pm.

Please note the gate will close at 8:40am to enable learning time to start earlier.

Please ensure your child arrivals to school on time and is collected promptly by 3:20pm.

Uniform including PE

All children will be required to wear their normal school uniform and their PE uniform on their designated days. Please make sure long hair is tied up for PE and that jewellery is either removed or surgical tape is supplied. PE will take place on the following days for each class:

St. George	St. Christopher	St. Martha	St. Andrew
Tuesdays and Thursdays	Wednesdays and Fridays	Mondays and Thursdays	Mondays and Fridays
St. Cecilia	St. David	St. Patrick	
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Swimming

Year 5 are due to have their second block of swimming lessons in the Summer term. When we have a further update from Freedom Leisure we will let you know about the arrangements we have in place. We anticipate that lessons will resume as before, following their strict COVID secure rules.

Lunches

School packed lunches, including hot paninis and pasta pots are now available to book via the Wisepay booking system. Please remember to book your meals by Sunday 7th March for any meals the following week.

Breakfast and After School Club

Our wraparound care provision will be in operation as normal. Breakfast club starts from 7:40am – 8:40am for £3 per session. After school club runs from 3:30 – 5:30pm and is charged on an hourly rate of £3 per hour. We now accept payments using childcare vouchers and the DFE childcare scheme. Please book in your sessions using the Wisepay booking system by Friday 5th March for the following week. Any families who may need to book their child into wraparound care as a new booking, should contact the school office in the first instance.

Music Lessons

NMPAT have contacted the school to inform us that normal music lessons will resume from Monday 8th March. Don't forget to send in your child's musical instrument if required.

Bubble Groups

We understand how incredibly difficult this lock down experience has been for the children and that restrictions will continue to be in place for at least a further 2-3 months before some normality resumes. The hardest part is the lack of social interaction with their peers and so we have decided to tweak our bubble group arrangements to enable more social opportunities outside.

All classes will remain in their small groups inside the school building. They will have lessons in the classrooms as normal and use the school hall and outdoor spaces for PE. Collective worship will remain in class led by the teacher and children until further notice.

At break times and lunchtimes, the children will be able to socialise with their peers in their year groups. Transmission is lower outside and close contact with other children will be minimal. St. Andrew's class will have their playtime and lunchtime at the same time as the other Year 4 and Year 5 children and can play with their friends of the same age.

Extra-curricular Clubs

We are planning to offer a range of extra-curricular activities during the Summer term within our year group bubbles. We have started contacting our existing external club providers to find out what they can offer and we plan to use some of the funding provided by the DFE to offer these at a subsidised rate. Our talented staff team will also be offering a range of extra-curricular activities linked to their passions and interests. More information to follow shortly.

If any further guidance is sent out to school before Monday 8th March, I will write to you again to update you again. Thank you for your continued support of St. Peter's CE Academy.

Yours sincerely,
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