



St Peter's C.E. Academy

15th July 2021

Dear parents / carers

Following the government announcements last week, including new guidance for schools following Stage 4 of the roadmap, I am writing to update you on our plans for September. These plans may be subject to change in September if any further guidance is sent out prior to the start of the new term. If we need to make any changes, we will inform you on Thursday 2nd September when the school is open for staff training.

Control Measures

In September, the same control measures will still be in place, promoting hygienic practices.

All children will be:

- Daily handwashing at regular times across the school day, including break and lunch times.

As a school we will be:

- Completing daily cleaning procedures in classes, including tables and classroom sinks at break and lunchtimes.
- Emptying bins twice daily.
- Ventilating classrooms and shared spaces throughout the day.
- Providing a separate medical room for any positive COVID cases in school.
- Continuing to administer LFD tests twice a week as a staff team. The whole team will be double vaccinated in September.

Reporting COVID Cases

From September, there will be new arrangements in place for reporting positive COVID cases. We will send out updated guidance on Monday 6th September. Whole classes will no longer be asked to self-isolate for 10 days, but may be required to take a PCR test if they have been in close contact with someone who tests positive.

Bubble Groups

Current guidance suggests children are no longer required to remain in bubble groups and year groups are allowed to mix. As it is difficult to predict what September will look like, we still plan to operate in year groups bubbles for the first term (until October). Each class will be based in their classrooms as normal. At break and lunch times, year groups will come together to play and eat.

Break and Lunch

We will be operating staggered break and lunchtimes for the first term. Year 3 and 5 will have their break and lunch times together and Year 4 and 6. This has worked really well this year, as it enables all children to have more space on the playground, we have less friendship fallouts and less accidents. This will be reviewed in October, depending on COVID cases or further guidance from the government. We will decide in September whether to keep our zoned areas on the playground and field.

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Start and End Times

We have made some adjustments to our start and end times from September. We plan to still offer a 'soft' start and end time for the first term. The timings of the school day are as follows:

Drop Off

Gates will open from **8:30 – 8:40am**. Please arrive between these times. The gate will close at **8:40am** and your child will be marked late after this time.

Pick Up

Gates will open from **3:10 – 3:20pm**. From Term 2, we plan to revert back to our normal finishing time of 3:20pm.

We have a one-way system around our school site which aided a smooth flow of traffic around our school site. Parents can drop their child off, or collect their child from their classroom doors each day. This is the preferred method, unless the child is given permission to walk by themselves.

Uniform

All children will be required to wear our school uniform as listed on our school website. On PE days, all children will need to wear their PE uniform for the full day; this includes navy jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts. Each class teacher will share their PE days with the class on Monday 6th September.

Stationery

All children will be supplied with a new set of stationery for the Autumn term. If possible, please provide your child with their own dictionary and thesaurus to use in lesson times. We recommend the Collins Gem School Dictionary and Thesaurus which is approximately £6.00 on Amazon.

Snacks at break time

Free fruit and snacks are not provided in KS2. Therefore, all children will need to bring in their own snack to eat at break times. On Mondays – Thursdays, this needs to be a healthy snack such as a piece of fruit. On Fridays, the snack can be a treat.

If you have any further questions about our arrangements for September, please contact our school office on 01933 622400 or via email at enquiries@stpetersschoolraunds.co.uk who will be happy to assist you.

Kind regards,

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