

St John's & St Clement's C of E Primary School

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Friday 26th February 2021

Dear Parents,

As we write to you this week, the sun is shining and spring is well and truly on its way. On Monday it was announced that schools will be fully reopening on Monday 8th March and we can't tell you how delighted we are that we are able to welcome our wonderful children back to school.

We have included all of the information about the reopening of the school including the principles of our approach in this letter. Much of this information was sent out last August and our arrangements are broadly the same as when we returned in September 2020, but so much has happened since then, we felt now would be a good time to reiterate all of the key information.

Also, just before we all return, next **Thursday 4th March is World Book Day**, we have many exciting activities planned - take a look at the end of the letter to find out what we have in store.

What are the principles of our approach?

Set-out below are the principles we are employing. It is important to note that we cannot give guarantees about safety. Safety is the top priority. This is followed by a high focus on wellbeing, learning behaviours (focus, pride in work, resilience etc), and academic high standards.

Safety:

1. Outside is better than inside

The current guidance is that the virus is less likely to be passed on outside. In practice this means:

- Where possible children will learn/play outside (so you will need to send them to school with coats or sun hats).



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2. We will work in 'bubbles' - limiting contact

As the Government has acknowledged in their guidance younger children cannot socially distance therefore safety measures will come in the form of 'bubbles'.

In practice this means:

- Bubbles will be a whole year group.
- These bubbles will be kept separate from other bubbles for the whole day - including staggered lunch and playtimes.
- Staggered pick up and drop off times with parents lining up distanced from each other.

3. We will follow preventative measures

In practice this means (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Sanitising hands on entry, before and after playtimes and lunch.
- Sanitising stations at key points around the school.
- Respiratory hygiene taught and reinforced 'catch it, bin it, kill it'.
- Enhanced cleaning of key, well used surfaces and areas.
- Reduction in unnecessary resources in rooms. Cleaning or quarantining of resources shared around the school.

4. We will minimise contact with individuals who are unwell

In practice this means:

- People presenting with symptoms must follow government guidance on self-isolation and testing (further details below).
- Working with the NHS Test and Trace.



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Timings and arrangements for drop-off and collection

Year Group	Arrival Time	Collection Time	Gate
**Reception – Stik	8.40	3.00	Adys Road
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Year 1	8.50	3.10	Amott Road
Year 2	8.50	3.10	Adys Road
Year 3	9.00	3.20	Adys Road
Year 4	9.00	3.20	Amott Road
Year 5	9.10	3.30	Adys Road
Year 6	9.10	3.30	Amott Road

If you are collecting children at different times, we request that you leave the playground in between collection times so our site remains COVID secure.

Sibling drop off and collection.

- Arrival – Older siblings can be brought to school at the time of start of the youngest sibling. They will go to their normal classroom, where they will be able to read and will be supervised until the start of the school day for their year group.
- Departure – Siblings can be collected with the oldest sibling at the later time. They will remain in the class and be supervised until the appropriate time.

Please can all parents ensure they are adhering to social distancing rules whilst waiting outside of the school and queuing for pick-up.



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Does my child need to come to school?

From Monday 8th March, school attendance is mandatory and all children are expected to return to school. For parents and carers of children of compulsory school age, this means that the legal duty on you as a parent to send your child to school regularly will apply.

NHS Test and Trace

The school will engage in the NHS Test and Trace and will work with our local health protection team. Parents/carers will need to be ready and willing to:

- [book a test](#) if they or their child are displaying symptoms. Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school.
- provide details of anyone they or their child have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace
- [self-isolate](#) if they have been in close contact with someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), or if anyone in their household develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)

What do I do if my child is unwell?

If your child is showing any of the COVID-19 symptoms then parents must notify the school and the child must remain at home and take a COVID-19 test. If a negative result has been received this should be emailed to the school office so they can arrange a return to school date.

What happens if my child has a positive test result?

If the result of a test is positive your child must stay at home and should follow the '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)' and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms.



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What happens if a person in my child's bubble has COVID-19 symptoms?

The school will work with the local health protection team to seek guidance on actions to be taken. Based on the advice from the health protection team, the school must send home those people who have been in close contact with the person who has tested positive, advising them to self-isolate for 10 days since they were last in close contact with that person when they were infectious. This may be the whole bubble. Names or details of people with Covid-19 will not be shared. In the event of the school or a bubble being closed due to COVID-19 we will provide learning remotely.

Clubs and individual instrumental lessons

There will be no in school-organised clubs or individual instrumental lessons. We will review this for summer term in line with government guidance.

Breakfast Club and After School Club.

The breakfast club and after school club will be running from Monday 8th March It is run by Magna and can be booked on their [website](#).

School Office

The school office will continue to be closed for visitors, however the school can be contacted by [email](#) or telephone during term-time between 8.30am and 4pm. Remember if you need to report an absence you can do so through your Parentmail account.

How can I contribute to keeping the school safe and open?

Please ensure you:

- Drop off and collect your child at the allocated time given by school at the allocated gate for their year group. Please don't arrive too early, and leave promptly.
- Consider wearing a mask when dropping or collecting your child if you are able to.
- Adhere to social distancing when dropping off or collecting children (including maintaining a 2m distance from others)
- Only one parent/carer at any time should drop and collect their child.
- Remember that staff cannot chat in the morning or evening. Please email them or the school office.



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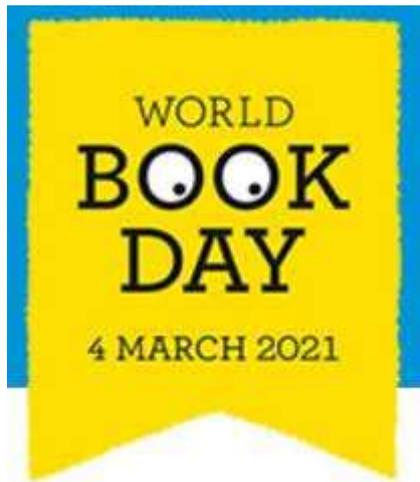
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- Follow all government guidance for the number of people you interact with and where that happens.
- Continue to follow hygiene guidelines.

World Book Day



It is World Book Day on **Thursday 4th March**.

To celebrate our love of books and reading, we have a full week of fun activities and events for your family to join in with. Instead of dressing up this year, we are going to get creative by asking the children to make a Book in a Box which they can enter into a school-wide competition - all will be revealed on Monday.

Please note that you will need an empty box for Monday's art lesson. For those in our school hub, boxes will be provided. We have attached a £1 digital book token which is valid until Sunday 28th March.

On Thursday 4th March at 11.30am, we are holding an event on Zoom for parents and carers with Anthony Legon, an English consultant from The Literacy Tree. Anthony will be sharing his expert advice on reading with your child and how to foster a love of books.

The session is open to all and we'd love to see you there - click the link to join:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89749409292?pwd=bkFSa2RxaFptNnNUK0NNMnpnNXpwZz09>

Meeting ID: 897 4940 9292 Passcode: 014211

We realise that this is a lot of information and we will continue to update you as the guidance develops. We are really looking forward to seeing all of you on Monday 8th March. Have a lovely and sunny weekend.

Kind regards,

Joseph Bell

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