



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

HEADTEACHER: Mrs M Hollis

*'Together in faith we nurture, encourage and inspire each other to achieve excellence and become all that Jesus calls us to be'*

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to say that in line with government guidance, we will be welcoming all children back to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. I know that this will come with mixed emotions and possible anxiety. Please be assured that we have a robust risk assessment in place, in order to keep our St Joseph's community safe. Our risk assessment is reviewed regularly and mirrors government guidance and updates from PHE.

## **Bubbles**

Children will work in class bubbles and will have continue to move around school as a bubble, this includes lunchtimes and playtimes. Primary aged children are not expected to wear a face covering in school. Staff will continue to wear face coverings in our communal areas and if they can't adhere to the 2m restrictions in school when supporting children in class. Please take note of your child's drop off and pick up times. I ask that you continue to adhere to social distancing restrictions at these points in the day and wear a face covering at the school gate. At pick up time we will continue to send siblings home at the earliest pick up time for your family.

## **Times for Drop Off and Pick Up**

Class	Drop Off	Pick UP	Class	Drop Off	Pick Up
Two Year Old Provision	8.55	11.45	Yr3	9.00	15.20
F1	8.55	11.45	Yr4	9.00	15.20
F2	8.45	15.00	Yr5	9.05	15.30
Yr1	8.50	15.10	Yr6	9.05	15.30
Yr2	8.50	15.10			

**All children** are expected to return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please ensure that your child does not attend school if they or anyone in your family display Covid-19 symptoms, are waiting for a Covid-19 test result or have been in contact with someone that has tested positive. If your child is presenting as unwell and you are unsure if they should attend school, please ring the school office for clarification before attempting to bring them onto the school site.

In order to keep our St Joseph's community safe, it is paramount that government guidance is followed in relation to mixing with other households. Households should not be mixing unless it is in line with support bubble guidance or for arranged childcare as outlined in this document:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-support-bubble-with-another-household>

On the return to school, we will be working on a revised curriculum with your child. We will focus on maintaining good behavioural routines, ensuring that children thoroughly understand expectations relating to Covid-19. Staff will focus on supporting children's mental health and will deliver a curriculum that supports lost learning. Teachers will be giving the children plenty of time outdoors and will take part in art, PE and music to help them readjust into school life.

We are looking forward to having our amazing children back in school. Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation.

Best wishes,

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