



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Re: Changes to coronavirus (COVID-19) measures from September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all have had a wonderful break and are looking forward to the new school year. We want to thank you for supporting the school's fight against coronavirus last year and for working with us through what has been a challenging time for everyone. We are incredibly grateful for your co-operation and understanding.

In line with the government's roadmap out of lockdown, many control measures ceased to be legal requirements on 19 July. This letter outlines our plans for your child's return to school in September; by working together we can continue to keep everyone safe and reduce the spread of coronavirus.

Testing and self-isolation

The school is no longer responsible for Test and Trace close contact tracing from the Autumn term. This will be taken over by the NHS Test and Trace service, who will inform your child if they have been in close contact with a positive case and advise them to take a confirmatory polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test. Your child will not need to self-isolate and can attend school as usual, unless the PCR test returns a positive result.

The school will continue to have a role in working with local health protection teams in the case of a local outbreak. If there is an outbreak in the school, the NHS will contact the school and a Director of Public Health could advise us to temporarily reintroduce control measures – we will inform you as soon as possible if this applies.

If your child receives a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result, they should self-isolate in line with the [stay-at-home guidance](#). They will also need to get a free PCR test to confirm if they have coronavirus; whilst awaiting the PCR result, the individual should continue to self-isolate. If the PCR test is taken within two days of the positive LFD test, and is negative, it overrides the LFD test result and your child can return to school, as long as they have not experienced coronavirus symptoms for 48 hours prior to their return.

End of staggered start and pick up times

The staggering of start and pick up times for different year groups will no longer be in place from the Autumn term. You will have noticed in our Newsletter in July our new times from 2nd September 2021. For now, we will continue with the one way system at our busiest times, i.e. the start and end of the school day; at all other times visitors should enter and leave by the entrance pedestrian gate. Please also note that to save congestion on Marina Crescent, can our families (if possible) walk to school, if not please park in suitable, safe places away from school and walk over to school. We need to be mindful of other road users and our neighbours so parking needs to be in safe places where vehicles are not obstructing driveways or blocking roads – thank you for your co-operation with this.





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Times of our school day

8.40am – 8:50am (Gates open and children make their way to class)

8.50am (Gates close lessons start)

Collection: **2:50pm (KS1/Reception)**
3.00 pm (KS2)
3.10 pm (Nursery)

Please note the end of the school day is 2:50pm for Early Years and Key Stage 1, however if you have another child/children who finish/es at 3.00pm please collect all your children at the later time of 3.00pm. It is important to remember that while our playground gates are open at 8:40am, if children arrive before this time they should be supervised.

Mixing and bubbles

'Bubbles' will no longer be implemented within the school. Alongside enabling flexibility in the delivery of curriculum, the lifting of this restriction also allows assemblies and lunches to resume as normal.

Your child will no longer need to adhere to social distancing rules in communal areas and classrooms. Pupils will be able to sit in groups in the classroom and at lunchtime and the need to sit facing forwards will also no longer be necessary.

To prepare for the event that cases do rise in the local area, the school has contingency plans to cover the possibility that it may become necessary to reintroduce bubbles for a temporary period in order to reduce mixing between groups.

Cleaning and sanitary procedures

We will continue with our appropriate cleaning schedule. This will include the regular cleaning of areas and equipment, with a particular focus on frequently touched surfaces.

Frequent and thorough hand washing will still be encouraged. We will continue to ensure that your child cleans their hands regularly with soap and water or hand sanitiser. We will also continue to help those with complex needs to clean their hands properly

Extra-curricular activities and Breakfast / Wraparound provision

You will be able to access Breakfast / Wraparound and extracurricular provision for your child without any restrictions on the reasons for which they may attend, including sports and musical clubs. All our wraparound and extracurricular provision are risk assessed and follow the same procedures as regular lessons.





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Attendance

Attendance at school is mandatory for all pupils and it is so important for children to be in school learning and interacting regularly. It is vital that children are punctual too. Our playground gates will close at 8:50am daily so children can arrive any time from 8:40am – 8:50am. Our attendance policy is on our website but please remember to continue to promote excellent attendance with your child/children.

Uniform

Please see the uniform list that is on our school website and in our school prospectus. In the interests of health and safety, **children are not permitted to wear any jewellery in school, including earrings.** Bobbles and ribbons should be discreet and in school colours. Please note that **training shoes are not part of our school uniform**, we are aware that some shoes are in the style of a trainer - if this is the case they need to be **black**.

Remote learning

We will continue to ensure remote education plans are in place in the event that your child has to self-isolate. While attendance is mandatory, high-quality remote learning will be provided for pupils who are following clinical or government guidance to stay at home, e.g. where they are self-isolating. All pupils who are not physically unwell will be given access to remote education as soon as reasonably practicable via Seesaw.

If you have any questions regarding the information outlined in this letter, please contact our school office on 0151 477 8260 or by email at stanne@knowsley.gov.uk

Please remember Wednesday 1st September is an inset day and we will welcome our children back on Thursday 2nd September 2021.

Yours sincerely,

Mr L Anderson
Head Teacher

