



Wednesday, 18th August, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

From September (as long as nothing changes in the meantime) we shall return to a more 'normal' way of life at school. We will no longer operate bubbles or have staggered starts and finishes etc.

Y1 – Y6 children should line up in the playground at 8:45am and will be escorted into school at 8:50am by their teachers. Children should be picked up at 3:30pm from their lines in the playground.

Teachers will hold up signs with their names on for the first couple of days so that your child can see where to line up.

Children in Nursery and Reception should be dropped off and collected at the EYFS doors (a member of staff will be around to direct you where to go if you are unsure).

Please find below a summarised list of COVID-19 control measures we will have in place from September:

- Ensure good hygiene for everyone (including continuing to teach the 'Catch it, Kill it, Bin it' mantra).
- Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
- Keep occupied spaces well ventilated and periodically check air quality using a CO2 monitor.
- Follow any public health advice given.
- Staff will continue twice weekly LFD testing (until the end of September when this will be reviewed by the Government).
- Any pupil that either displays symptoms of Coronavirus or tests positive on an LFD should immediately self-isolate and book a confirmatory PCR test.

Please note that children (upto and including 18 years and 6 months of age) and adults that have been fully vaccinated (2 doses) no longer have to self-isolate if they have had close contact with a positive case but are advised to book a PCR test to check that they do not have the virus. They do not have to self-isolate whilst awaiting their PCR test result if they are asymptomatic.

Children DO need to self-isolate **if they have symptoms** of COVID. Any child displaying symptoms, no matter how mild, will be sent home and asked to get a PCR test. A negative lateral flow test will not suffice to prove that the child is eligible to be in school as these should only be used if a person has NO symptoms.

As a school, we have been advised that we should seek advice from Public Health England regarding a suspected outbreak of COVID-19 if we have:

- 5 pupils or staff who are likely to have mixed closely, who test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period; or

- 10% of pupils or staff who are likely to have mixed closely test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period

Therefore, it is vital that you provide us with a specific reason if your child is absent from school.

Our COVID-19 Outbreak Management Plans are now on the website and can be found here

<https://stanley-st-peters-church-of-england-vc-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/covid-19-outbreak-management-plan-documentation/>

Please read the first document on this page carefully as it details the measures that we could be asked to put in to place as a result of an outbreak.

I am really looking forward to seeing all the children return to school in September smartly dressed in correct uniform and with big smiles on their faces!

Enjoy the remainder of your holidays!

Kind regards,

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