

#### THE RICHARD CROSSE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## School Reopening Information: March 2021

I am writing to inform you of our plans for the reopening of Richard Crosse in March which follows a very similar format to that of the reopening in September. It is pleasing that the government is being proactive in allowing us to get back to some resemblance of normality and as a little reminder I have detailed the day to day running of the school below.

Before I outline the reopening plans please note that on Friday 5th March there will be no online learning sessions as staff will be preparing for the return of children to school. All work for Friday will be available to view on Google Classroom. Also, as a little reminder please make sure that any resources that have been sent home for your child to use during Lockdown are returned on the first day back at school i.e. White Rose maths books, maths equipment etc.

Hopefully, this information, detailing what the Government recommends will work well in practice and will set your minds at rest that your child will be safe. The key point for children is that they will spend the bulk of their school day in their classroom setting and will be kept away from other classes as best we can. There will also be a Care Club facility in place as normal, running from 7.30am-8.30pm and 3.30pm-6pm (Friday provision from 1.30 until 4:30pm). It is imperative that you book into this facility in advance. As per September, guidance allows for care clubs to run in schools but parents must be aware that this does mean their child will be in two different bubbles during the school day. I would also encourage you to use other child care options if available. Booking arrangements for Care Club will run as normal.

Below is a summary of our risk assessments for the whole school and each year group, as well as a timetable to support you in organising your day: As with our September correspondence I would recommend talking through our actions with your child in order to remind and prepare them for their return.







### Whole School Measures to Keep Your Child Safe:

- Staggered drop off and collection times to prevent cross contamination of year groups.
- Zones within school for each year group.
- Two metre markings will be in place throughout school such as in the corridor.
- Two metre markings will be in place at drop off and collection points.
- Parents will not be allowed into the building.
- Designated staff members will work with each year group throughout the day.
- Extra toilets have been provided to ensure as little sharing of facilities as possible.
- Each year group will have their own designated outside area.
- Lunchtimes will be staggered for each year group and the children will eat in their designated classrooms.
- The school will be deep cleaned daily and regularly cleaned throughout the day.
- Guidance states that masks are not needed but staff will have the option to wear these if they see fit as indeed will your child if you so wish.
- Masks/visors will be used for intimate care such as toileting/illness.

### How you can support us

- Ensure your child arrives and is collected at the correct time and from the correct area of school.
- Please leave the area outside school as quick as you can and avoid chatting in groups.
- Observe two metre social distancing as you wait for your child.
- Please use the one way system outside of school
- Uniforms must now be worn
- Lunchboxes can be brought into school
- Please limit items brought into school to an absolute minimum.
- PE Kit should be taken home and washed each Friday, returning it on Monday.
- Drinks bottles will be allowed and will be kept on each child's table.
- Please administer sun cream prior to arrival on days when you deem this necessary. Do not send lotion into school.
- Masks MUST be worn by parents/carers at drop off and collection.
- Follow government guidance on staying safe. If your child displays any symptoms of illness, (not
  just Covid 19 specific), please keep them off school.
- Children shouldn't come in if they are displaying any of the following:
  - o Temperature above 37.7C
  - Cough
  - Stomach upset/pain
  - Vomiting
  - o Diarrhoea
  - Eye infection
  - Headache
  - o Cold or flu-like symptoms (sneezing, runny nose, etc.)
  - Loss of taste or smell

Classes	Collection/Drop-off Point	Start and Finish times	Friday finish
Class 1 (Nursery & Reception)	Main school entrance gate - through the gate near the office.	8.30am - 3.00pm	1.25pm
Class 2 (Year 1 & 2)	Main school entrance gate - through the gate near the office.	8.40am - 3.15pm	1.10pm
Class 3 Year 3 &4)	Through the staff car park on Lichfield Road through the gate onto the playground.	8.30am - 3.20pm	1.25pm
Class 4 (Year 5)	KS1 Playground through fire escape doors.	8.40am - 3.20pm	1.25pm
Class 5 (Year 6)	KS1 Playground through fire escape doors.	8.30am - 3.30pm	1.10pm

Please also note that from March school is again compulsory for your child and the expectation is that they will attend.

We have again taken the above measures to ensure the safety of our staff and your children.

# Mental Health and parent/child well-being.

We can't wait to have Richard Crosse up and running again but we do understand that these planned changes can make for an unsettling experience for children and parents. With this in mind we would like you to fill out the questionnaires below so that we can be fully prepared to meet your child's individual needs for March. More information is within the questionnaire.

Parent Questionnaire: https://forms.gle/rNuYQ43XxT3rd7Qt8

Children's questionnaire: <a href="https://forms.gle/pMNteCkKfEVgUt446">https://forms.gle/pMNteCkKfEVgUt446</a>

Finally, I would like to thank you for your continuous support in helping your child learn from home and for your positive and supportive comments throughout this unprecedented time. Hopefully this letter has answered any queries you may have but as always if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Ms E Bowring Headteacher