



## **Information for Parents**

### **March 8th 2021 - School reopening for all pupils**

St Aidan's Church of England Primary Academy has been busy preparing to welcome back all pupils on Monday 8th March 2021. **From this date school attendance is compulsory for all pupils.**

**Please return any ICT equipment you have borrowed to your child's class teacher - chromebooks, iPads, 4G routers, on the first day back.**

We still have all the measures in place that we had in the autumn term to make sure we keep everyone as safe as possible.

Below is some important information for you moving forward as we welcome all of our pupils back to school.

### **The Start and End of the School Day**

Breakfast club will be open from 7.45am everyday and children attending breakfast club should enter through the main entrance. If you would like your child to attend please book places at the school office.

For all other children, both of the main school gates will be open from 8.40am and close at 8.50am. Please do not arrive before this time.

**To ensure we maintain social distancing only one adult per family will be allowed on the yard at drop off and pick up times.**

Children will sanitise their hands before going to their classroom.

Outside and classroom doors will be wedged open and children will be greeted by a member of staff. The same system will apply for collection at 3:15pm. Please do not wait outside the Year 6 classroom door as the path is narrow and we would not be able to maintain social distancing. Year 6 pupils will meet you on the yard.

Reception - Reception yard

Year 1 - Year 1 door ( Previously Y4) - Please wait behind the barrier

Year 2 - Infant main door

Year 3 - Infant door next to reception class (Previously Y1 door)

Year 4- Junior backdoor

Year 5- MUGA

Year 6 - Enter through the junior backdoor and exit through Year 6 door - pupils will walk round onto the yard

**To maintain social distancing please leave the yard as soon as you have dropped off/picked up your child/children.**

## Expectations for children

1. Children will be allowed in the building from 8.40am onwards via the allocated entrances.
2. Children **do need to wear a full school uniform** including black shoes - **NO TRAINERS** and their ALWAYS badge - If they have lost it we will replace it.
3. Children must sanitise/wash their hands when entering the building.
4. Children must follow the 2 metre rule when entering the building. Markings will help to guide children into their classroom and the floor markings in the communal areas will remind children of the direction to travel in.
5. Children will bring **only the minimal** that is needed to take into the classroom:
  - a. Coat - which will be hung in the cloakroom
  - b. Lunch - if they are not having a school dinner
  - c. Medical equipment (if required)
  - d. PE kit in a bag to be hung in the cloakroom
  - e. Reading book in a bag- if you still have any school reading books at home please return them to school
  - f. If pupils bring a mobile phone it will need to be put in the class box and will be stored securely in the classroom cupboard
  - g. **No pencil cases or water bottles required**
6. If a child is late, they will need to follow the usual late procedures. Parents or carers will not be granted access in the front reception. A member of the school office team will escort the pupil to their assigned room.

## Expectations for parents

1. Parents are encouraged to talk positively about returning to school.
2. Pupils are **expected to attend on time every day**, unless they are ill.

## Classes, Break and Lunch Procedures

- Pupils will remain in their class group throughout the day
- Pupils will sit in their class groups at lunchtimes either in the dining room, the hall or their classroom.
- At playtime and lunchtimes children will play out in their classes in a designated area of the yard, all classes will have their own play equipment. Staff will be encouraging play that doesn't involve close contact. We have a large amount of ground marking games that children can play on with other children and still apply distancing measures. Children will be expected to remain socially distant from both peers and adults during play and break times. Children must stay in their designated area at all times.

## Children Showing Signs of Illness

If anyone in school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they will be sent home and advised to follow the COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection guidance.