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Tuesday 2nd March

School opening to all children - Monday March 8th

Dear parents and carers,

The Government has provided detailed guidance for the wider opening of schools to all pupils. Over the past year, all children, parents and school staff have worked extremely well together. As we open to all children on Monday, the established routines we all followed in the autumn term will return and continue through the gradual easing of National Lockdown.

Systems for bringing children to school and collecting children from school

- The extended provision of Breakfast and After School Club will continue as normal.
- **Extended morning and afternoon routine** – Teachers will welcome children to school between the times of 8.45am and 9.15am. We ask all children to be in school no later than 9.15am. At the end of the day, parents can collect children in Reception class through to Year 4 from 3.15pm through to 3.30pm. Year 5 and Year 6 children will leave school at 3.30pm. This routine will remain in place until the Easter holidays.
- **From Monday 12th April**, we will return to our normal school day. Children will arrive at school between 8.45am to 8.55am and parents will collect at 3.30pm. It is important to return to excellent standards of punctuality for our children's learning.
- We continue to ask that only one parent/grandparent enters the school grounds to drop off or collect their child.
- Once collected, children and parents must leave the school grounds immediately. There can be no playing on the playground equipment or in the woodland areas.
- We ask all parents to follow the Government's continued restrictions in relation to social distancing.

During the school day

- Social distancing between all adults will be encouraged. Where this is not possible, adults will be encouraged to wear a face mask.
- Full school uniform must be worn.
- PE kits are to be worn to school on PE days.
- Children and staff must continue to regularly wash their hands and use hand sanitiser.
- The school will continue to be cleaned thoroughly throughout the school day.
- Children must remain in their year group bubbles throughout the school day.
- Classroom windows will be open as much as possible to ventilate spaces.
- Dinnertime and playtime routines will remain in place.
- The school kitchen will provide hot meals. If your child received a hot dinner in the autumn term, this will continue unless you inform school differently.
- No educational school trips are allowed.

Headteacher: Mr P. Bates
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs G. Cleary



- After school sports clubs, music groups and interests/hobbies clubs will commence as soon as possible. Teachers must follow guidance as to when this can happen.
- If a child or member of staff display any symptoms of Covid, they must stay at home and follow the Government's advice. Please inform school immediately.
- School will continue to inform parents if a class bubble or year group needs to self-isolate.
- Supply teachers, specialist SEND teachers and peripatetic teachers will continue to work in school.

The school's risk assessment is available on the website. This is a working document and therefore subject to change. We must continue to remember that we are still experiencing a National Lockdown. Therefore, all involved at St Anne's must continue to try their very best to reduce the spread of this virus.

We know there will be children and families who will be anxious about returning to school. If we reflect on how well we have supported and cared for one another over the past year, we know that our school community will continue to thrive and support one another again over the coming months.

Best wishes,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher