

ST. OSWALD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As the end of term draws near, I would like to thank you all for your support during what has been such a difficult year. We are all immensely proud of how well our children have adapted and thrived despite all that has happened and with the positive manner in which our school community has dealt with an ever-changing situation. We've all had to adapt our way of working and living this year and this has been done with flexibility and much care and consideration for others.

I am able to tell you about the provisional arrangements that will be in place in September- subject to the situation not changing nationally.

- The gates will open to children only at 8.50am. School starts promptly at 9am. Children must not be late for school. Punctuality and attendance will be high priority again next year. Any messages that need to be given to the class teacher must be phoned or emailed to the office where they will be passed on immediately. This arrangement has worked very well this year and has allowed the teachers to focus purely on the children as they arrive each morning. It has also helped our children develop their independence.
- The gates will be open from 3.20pm for parents to collect children at 3.30pm.
- On days when your child has PE they will come to school in PE kit.
- Initially, the hall will not be in use for dinnertimes or assemblies. This will be reviewed as the term progresses.
- There will be no class nests/bubbles and children will be able sit in groups at tables rather than in rows.
- Playtimes and lunchtimes will still be staggered but phases (EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and UKS2) will be able to play out together.
- Cloakrooms will be re-opened and children will be using their classroom trays as before but they will still have their own, individual equipment.
- All pupils should have full, correct uniform for school and PE.



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- School will continue to have enhanced cleaning throughout the day and hand washing and sanitising will continue.
- School will no longer be responsible for Track and Trace from September as NHS Trace and Trace will take over the role of contact tracing from schools. This means that from September you are no longer asked to notify the school of positive cases as NHS Track and Trace will contact you and your child will be asked to notify them of any close contacts.

I will post the updated risk assessment during the summer and will also be writing an outbreak management plan for use in the event that we need to change arrangements due to high numbers of cases in the local area or nationally.

Confirmation of this information and/or additional information will be emailed towards the end of the summer break so please check your emails.

As the summer holidays finally arrive, the staff will be taking a very welldeserved break. I ask that you please don't contact staff on Seesaw- the classes will be changed over during the holidays but staff need to be able to switch off and relax. If you have any urgent news for us ,or queries, you can email the enquiries email address as this will be checked periodically.

Finally, I'd like to wish you all a restful summer- I hope the sun shines and you can benefit from some quality family time, stay safe and I look forward to seeing everyone in September.

Thank you again for your support,

Mrs Hassan Headteacher