



# ST. OSWALD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have all been enjoying the summer break and are looking forward to school re-opening on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 8.50am. We have finally secured the funding to have the dirt track at the side of school resurfaced and this work has been completed during the summer break - no more muddy puddles and potholes to negotiate !! These are the arrangements that will be in place in September.

- 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 from the playgrounds at 3.30pm.
- On days when your child has PE they will come to school in PE kit. A text message will be sent at the start of term confirming which days this will be for your child/ren. PE lessons will recommence from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.
- 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.
- School will continue to have enhanced cleaning throughout the day and hand washing and sanitising will continue.

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- 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 have posted the updated risk assessment on the school website along with 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. These can be found on [www.stoswaldswigan.co.uk](http://www.stoswaldswigan.co.uk)

Any urgent information or queries can be emailed to [enquiries@saintoswalds.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@saintoswalds.wigan.sch.uk) as this email is checked periodically during the holidays.

Enjoy the rest of the holidays and we look forward to welcoming everyone back, ready for a new academic year full of exciting learning opportunities and lots of fun.

Mrs Hassan Headteacher