

ST. EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

It gives me great pleasure to introduce myself as the seconded Headteacher at St Edmund's Catholic Primary School. I have worked in education for 23 years with my most recent post being at St Anne's Catholic Primary School, Ormskirk as Deputy Headteacher. I enjoy working in education and feel very strongly that it is my purpose to ensure the children in my care have improved life chances and that any barriers which they may have to learning or to succeeding are removed. Therefore I look forward to working with you and the staff to ensure your child is given the best education they can receive at St Edmund's resulting in improved outcomes and future life chances. I have been informed by the staff members that the families and children at St Edmund's are a delight to work with and I certainly look forward to meeting you all, getting to know you and working with you.

I hope you have had a happy summer and have enjoyed your family time, although it has been a very different kind of summer for us all.

The following information will inform you of some of the procedures we have put into place to ensure risk from COVID-19 is low. For further information please view the PPT COVID Response and Risk Assessment on the website, both which have been shared with all staff. We have also created a short video of what school looks like at the moment, so children can see what their classrooms look like and see the staff before coming into school. This will be available online from Wednesday.

PE kits and changing.

PE for KS2 will be on Wednesdays and PE for FSU and KS1 will be on Thursdays. When it is your child's PE day we would like them to come into school in their PE t-shirt, school jumper and trainers. We would ask during the Autumn Term, whilst the weather is unpredictable and unsuitable for shorts, that your child wears a pair of dark coloured tracksuit bottoms or leggings. Please do not buy a pair specially; what you have at home will suffice.

School Uniform

The school office will be open Tuesday 1st September 1.30 till 3.30, if you would like to purchase or order uniform. Whilst waiting in the school office area please adhere to social distancing rules. If you are unable to come to the school office at that time, please phone school and speak to Mrs Wylie.

Equipment

Children in Year Five and Six are encouraged to bring into school their own equipment such as pencils, pens etc. in their own pencil case. For those children who do not have the appropriate equipment, school will provide. All children are encouraged to bring in their own book bag, water bottle and lunch box. If a child does bring a face covering to school, they will need to also bring a small sandwich bag with their name on, to store it in during the day.

Dropping off and picking up.

I would like to remind you when dropping off your children we must continue to follow social distancing measures, this includes not waiting around the entrances as this would be a time when the virus could be passed on. School will be open at the normal times, because we have four separate entrances there is no requirement to introduce staggered starts.

Please rest assured that school has prepared for the return of all children to school and ensuring the risk is low. I do feel we are all ready to get back to routine and the children being with their friends, I am certainly looking forward to it. If you still have concerns or worries about sending your child into school please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Consideration, Care and Courtesy

I look forward to seeing you all on Thursday.

Kind regards

Mrs Annette Birmingham