



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parents

'And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good' Romans 8:28

Today marks the end of the first half of the summer term and in any 'normal' circumstances we would be beginning half term and looking forward to the last half term of the academic year.

The government announcement to open school for Pre School, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 has meant further risk assessment and decisions about phasing, timing and management of this have had to be made. Staggered timings will be in place as each year group joins in this period of phased return. Our priority is to keep all children, staff and parents safe.

The purpose of this letter is to assure you that provision will remain for key worker and vulnerable children Monday to Friday however they will now be using the Lower Key Stage 2 classrooms. They will be kept as a 'bubble' group in line with Government guidelines. In the morning, they will enter through the front gate at 8.50am as normal and then be lined up in the playground, socially distanced. Please do not arrive before 8.50am. The intention is that you walk your children into school through the gate and then leave them and walk out.

The duty staff will lead the children into the school via the left hand side of the new building. The children will be released as normal from the front gate at 3.15pm. Please do not arrive before 3.15pm due to release of Year 6 at 3.00pm.

Lunchtime arrangements will be changing. For those children accessing provision from KS1, Universal Free School meals will be provided. Any KS2 children can pay for their lunches in the usual way or bring a packed lunch. Please contact Tina via the catering email to clarify whether you have any credits [catering@st-josephs-pri.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:catering@st-josephs-pri.worcs.sch.uk)

As we enter this new norm we would like the children accessing provision to be in summer school uniform. There may be days when they are asked to come in school PE kit but initially school uniform please. We do have lots of secondhand uniform that we are happy to give to you to use at this time as it is imperative that the children come in in clean clothes every day. Just let me know and I can arrange this.

Guidelines still stipulate that this provision is only for those key workers who are on shift and any vulnerable children. Please could you remember to update us on any changes in need. Whilst we love to see the children, please make every effort to keep them at home when you can. If you have any concerns or worries then please don't hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Jackson. We are here to help as always.

Thank you again for your support and understanding at this challenging time.

Yours in faith and partnership

Mrs Louise Bury  
Headteacher

