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March 2021 - School opening for all

Dear Parents/Carers,

Yesterday, Mr Boris Johnson announced that schools will be open for all from Monday 8th March. We are hopeful of a return to something approaching normality on this date. Our intention is for St Peter's to be fully open and able to accommodate all pupils on a full-time basis from Monday 8th March 2021.

Bubbles

We will continue to be operating 4 key bubbles:

Preschool & Reception, KS1 (Years 1 & 2), LKS2 (Years 3 & 4) and UKS2 (Years 5 & 6).

The Government guidance emphasises the importance of *"reducing contact and maximising distancing between bubbles in school wherever possible"*.

Start of the day

As per government guidance, and as previously, we will be operating a staggered entry into and exit from school to minimise contact.

In the morning, the children will walk straight into school and to their classrooms where their teacher will wait for them with activities ready to start. Mr. Tomlinson will be present on the playground as much as possible.

Gates open at 8.30am not before. **Please keep to each allocated time window.**

8.30am-8.35am – Preschool and UKS2 (Year 5 & 6).

8.35am-8.40am – LKS2 (Year 3 & 4)

8.40am-8.45am – Reception and KS1 (Year 1 & 2)

Gates closed at 8.50am

- School bus to arrive between 8.30am and 8.45am
- Siblings, arrive at the earliest time
- School club, children will be released from 8.30am
- Please use the main Kneeton Road double gates as entry to school (see photograph).

If you are accompanying your child to the school gate you will need to walk through the playground keeping to the path and out through the top single blue St Peter's gate saying goodbye to your child on the way. **This one-way system is to prevent congregation on the playground and congestion at the school gate.** Your full support with this is much appreciated.



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End of the day

Gates open at 3.15pm, not before.

3.15pm-3.20pm – UKS2 (Year 5 & 6).

3.20pm-3.25pm – LKS2 (Year 3 & 4)

3.25pm-3.30pm – Preschool, Reception and KS1 (Year 1 & 2)

- Please use the main Kneeton Road double gates to collect your child from school. You will need to walk through the playground where your child will be waiting for you. Keep to the path and your child will join you. Please exit the school through the top St Peter's gate. This one-way system is to prevent congregation on the playground and congestion at the school gate. Please inform the school office and teacher if you give permission (from 8th March) for your children to leave the site independently and either be met off-site or walk home.

Learning and Curriculum

Please be assured that when all the children are back we will be reviewing what challenge and support all our children will need. Staff are currently planning a revised, broad and balanced curriculum that aims to get all children back on track by the end of 2021. This is in line with government advice.

Equipment in School

Only bring in minimal equipment. To be advised by your child's class teacher.

Assemblies

At this time, assemblies will not happen as a whole school. We will have assemblies and collective worship via video link streamed to the classes with potentially one class and/or bubble spread out in the hall at any one time.

Uniform

Please wear school uniform, including appropriate footwear. Uniform can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of the school.

Clubs / activities / music provision / sports

We will be aiming to gradually re-introduce activities as soon as we can, with an ambition to have the majority of clubs back after the Easter holidays. We are hopeful of starting a handful of clubs week beginning 8th March, so please look out for the clubs sign-up sheet/sign up with Rattle & Roll, before 8th March.

Lunchtimes

We will be continuing with hot school dinners. However, we will be introducing a more traditional sit down and serve-at-a-table experience (with help from midday supervisors). This will take place in separate bubble sittings linked with their playtimes. See the weekly menu for slight alterations. Juniors will continue to be on a two-week



rotation of school dinners and packed lunch. This links in with providing lunchtime activities. **Please check the menu beforehand.**

Hygiene

Extra handwashing will take place throughout the school day. The toilets will have additional cleaning during the day too. Anti-bacterial hand gel is available around school at certain points. Children may bring their own hand gel but must not share this with others. We will continue to use the same soap as we have always used, we are simply buying more.

Visitors

Essential visitors into school will be by appointment only. We would prefer to be contacted by phone/email if you have a question or query.

School club

We aim to open term time school club from Monday 8th March (book through Rattle & Roll payment platform). We would like to remind you that currently term time school club commences from 7.30am and afternoon sessions will remain until 6pm as before. *Rattle & Roll* are about to send out a brief survey of demand for our Out of School Club. Demand for places has decreased considerably over time, (and nationally) as you might expect, therefore we may need to review our provision of wrap around care going forward.

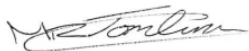
Covid symptoms

Please do not send your child to school with any of the COVID symptoms (a new persistent cough, a high temperature or any change or loss of smell or taste). In line with government guidance and our own risk assessment, if any child displays any of these symptoms we will:

- isolate your child in a safe place with an adult
- phone you to collect your child as soon as possible
- ask you have your child tested before they return to school

Upon seeing evidence of a negative test result, your child will be allowed back to school. In the event of a positive test, we will inform the Local Health Protection Team. They will advise us on the following actions, cleaning, isolation and bubble closure.

Thank you for your patience, understanding and support during this time.



Mr. Tomlinson
Head Teacher

