



St Nicholas Church Of England Primary School

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'Creating the space for your child to excel.'

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September Opening Plans

Dear Parents/Guardians

Firstly, a sincere thank you for being patient with all the updates and changes.

We are delighted to share our plan for a full opening next term. You will be aware that it is now mandatory for all pupils to attend school on a full timetable in September.

Our first day of school for all of our children is Monday 7th September. This includes our September Reception pupils who will also be attending a full day each day from 7th September. If there is a second lock down, a new plan will be sent out.

Plan for our 5 bubbles.

	Year R	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5	Year 6
Start date	07/09/20	07/09/20	07/09/20	07/09/20	07/09/20
Start time	8.55am	8.55am	8.45am	8.35am	8.35am
Entrance	Pupil gate	Driveway gate	Driveway gate	Pupil gate	Disco door
Finish time	3pm	3pm *	3:15pm *	3:15pm *	3:15pm *

*Older siblings will go home with the youngest sibling.

To make the plan work, please can we ask that parents respect the following:

1. **Drop off and pick up will remain, for now, outside the school gates.** Parents are asked not to congregate outside the school gates/footpath at drop off or pick up. Please work within our 'drop and go' system. Staff members will be at the gate for drop off and pick up.
2. Teachers are unable to talk at the gates - **all short/quick messages to the teacher must now come via the office** - written note, email to the office, phone call or drop in to the office to speak with Mrs Billington/Mrs Crosby. We have a 1 in 1 out policy in the office foyer so please be patient with us.
3. If parents wish to speak with the class teacher to discuss a significant issue, then we ask that the parents make an appointment to see their child's class teacher.

4. Temperatures checks will no longer need be taken on arrival. However, we will follow the guidance on this. All classes have a non-contact thermometer and full PPE if needed at some time in the future.
5. Please talk to your child about the need for teachers to wear their face mask each day. We have already talked to some of the children in school about this.

Hot meals - there will be no hot meals for any child for the first half term. Mrs Billington and Mrs Crosby are working hard with staff at The Half Moon to get this up and running as soon as possible. We will be in touch with school meal information as soon as plans are finalised with The Half Moon. **All pupils will therefore have to bring a packed lunch each day** for the first 7 weeks of term at the moment.

Free fruit scheme - this is not up and running with the provider yet and they have told us there is no information for September available as yet. Mrs Crosby will be in touch once the company pass their plans and re-opening date to us.

All pupils - **please bring your own healthy snack** (fruit/veg pieces) for morning break each day.

School uniform will be worn from 7th September - all uniform expectations will be back to normal next term. Reminder - water only in daily water bottles please. Juice is acceptable with a packed lunch.

Sports coaches will commence their work with us on the third week of term - week beginning 21st September. **PE kits need to be brought in** to school in the first 2 weeks of term please. **Our violin tutor** will commence her work in school on the second week of term - Tuesday 15th September.

Breakfast and Tea Birds will re-open week beginning 21st September.

Reminder - our prize day on Friday 17th July next week is **only** for the children who have been regularly attending school each day/some days this term + all Year 6 pupils. Please note new times: Year R - Year 5 attending pupils' Prize Giving = 1pm - 1:30pm.

Year 6 pupils' Prize Giving = 1:45pm - 2:45pm (Younger siblings may stay for this.)

Once again - well done for being social, despite the distance; my staff and I very much enjoyed seeing more children this week in school. We wish you all a very happy summer and we cannot wait to have you back with us in September. We wish our fantastic Year 6s, and their families, every good wish in moving on to their new school. We are very proud of all you have achieved here at St Nicholas. Thank you to everyone for your support and good wishes - Alison Shearer