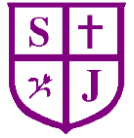
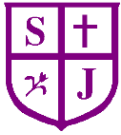


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Dear Parent/Carer

RECEPTION

What a term this has been, we were not expecting 2021 to start off in this way. We would like to take the opportunity to sincerely thank you for working with us together in such testing, stressful and difficult times. Thank you for the messages of support we have received; these are greatly appreciated and make such a difference to our team. Also, please know that we are here for you and if you need to speak to any member of staff; please do get in touch via the school office. If there is ever a problem, we will do our utmost to support and help you! This is not an easy time but we live in hope and prayer that we will get through this together as a 'Loving Christian Family' and hopefully it won't be too long when we get school back to the way it was. Please find enclosed in this letter all of the information you should need for your child to return to school on Monday 8th March.

School Uniform

When we return all children should be in full school uniform. Although it is not officially the Summer term yet, some parents have requested that their child return in Summer Uniform and this is permitted. Boys may wear polo shirts and shorts; girls may wear purple or yellow gingham dresses. Children should wear black school shoes, not trainers. May we also remind parents that only small stud earrings and watches are permitted. Nail varnish is not allowed. The PE day for RECEPTION is **WEDNESDAY**, during this day your child will need to come to school wearing their PE top, School Jumper/Cardigan, and Black/Navy or any dark coloured leggings or jogging bottoms. They will also need to wear trainers; they will wear this outfit all day. Your child will need black pumps for indoor PE, these can be sent in on their return to school – please ensure you write their name in them.

Pencil Cases and Bags

Children will not be permitted to bring pencil cases or bags into school. Equipment will be provided by school and remain in school. Children are permitted to bring in a packed lunch, we will be providing school dinners for those who wish to have them.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will be available from Monday 8th March from 8am. This will be a reduced service per government guidelines. Please contact school by telephone to reserve a place, it will be given on a first come first served basis. As the government guidance is updated we will inform you. We are fortunate to have been given another donation from the Parish that will enable us to offer the club for free to all parents until Easter.

Return to school arrangements

- Your child is to return to school on **Monday 8th March**
- They must enter school via the **Reception Class door at the front of school**
- They must arrive **between 8.40 – 8.50am**
- They must be collected **between 2.50 – 3.00pm**
- Parents must wear masks on school site.
- If your child has an inhaler please ensure you return it to school
- If your child has any medical needs that need updating please contact the school office

PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL IF THEY HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID 19. CONTACT SCHOOL TO INFORM US AND BOOK A TEST AT Gov.uk or call 119 TO BOOK A TEST.

Schools reopening and supporting information on use of face coverings

North West Schools Task Force

The UK government website contains comprehensive information on use of [face coverings](#).

Below is a summary of some good practice on use of face covering

How to wear a face covering

A face covering should:

- *cover your nose and mouth while allowing you to breathe comfortably*
- *fit comfortably but securely against the side of the face*
- *be secured to the head with ties or ear loops*
- *be made of a material that you find to be comfortable and breathable, such as cotton*
- *ideally include at least 2 layers of fabric (the World Health Organization recommends 3, depending on the fabric used)*
- *unless disposable, it should be able to be washed with other items of laundry according to fabric washing instructions and dried without causing the face covering to be damaged*
- *Don't use masks with valves. <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/when-and-how-to-use-masks>*

When wearing a face covering you should:

- *wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitiser before putting a face covering on*
- *avoid wearing on your neck or forehead*
- *avoid touching the part of the face covering in contact with your mouth and nose, as it could be contaminated with the virus*
- *change the face covering if it becomes damp or if you have touched it*
- *avoid taking it off and putting it back on a lot in quick succession*

When removing a face covering:

- *wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitiser before removing*
- *only handle the straps, ties or clips*
- *do not give it to someone else to use*
- *if single-use, dispose of it carefully in a residual waste bin and do not recycle*
- *if reusable, wash it in line with manufacturer's instructions at the highest temperature appropriate for the fabric*
- *wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitiser once removed*
- *Keep a spare mask to replace one that becomes wet from moisture in your breath, snow, or rain*.*
- *Store used reusable masks in a plastic bag until they can be washed*

Should you have any queries please email or call the school office.

Kindest regards
Mrs J. Ryan
Headteacher