

All Saints C. of E. (Aided) Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school after the half term holiday. I hope you have managed to enjoy some time together, despite the rain!

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support last half term. The children adapted really well to the 'new normal' and it was a pleasure having them all back in school and pre-school. The staff and I very much appreciated the way you followed the guidance we sent out, particularly in relation to drop-off and pick-up routines both on the playground and outside pre-school.

In the light of the new national lockdown, we have reviewed the whole-school risk assessment. We feel that some new measures are now necessary at the beginning and end of the day to ensure everyone is as safe as possible. These measures have been discussed with leaders at Woodland View Primary School, and both schools will be asking parents and carers to adopt them.

The first of these concerns the wearing of face coverings. **We are asking that all eligible adults wear face coverings on the school playground and outside pre-school from Tuesday, 3rd November.** Whilst we try to limit the number of parents/carers waiting at any one point, there are invariably quite a large number of people in a small space. The wearing of face coverings will be an extra layer of protection for everyone, and staff will do the same.

In addition to this, there are a few other changes we will be making from Tuesday:-

- The cones will be spread out further down the playground, and along to the path to pre-school, to create more distance between them. Please stand next to your cone until your child is released to you.
- In the morning, we will open the school gates at **8.30am** for the first class (Year 1), to avoid people waiting on the playground. Please do not come to school before your allotted time. The staff will call all children into school together so that you can leave straightaway. We will carry out the temperature check at the classroom door and ask you not to wait while we do this. We will call you if there is any problem.
- In the afternoon, we will open the school gates at **2.50pm** for the first class (Year 1) to be released. Once again, we ask that you do not come to school before your allotted time. I have asked staff to ensure that they release children promptly so that your waiting time is minimised.

- The shelter will be cordoned off.

In addition to these new measures, can I also remind you of the existing routines:-

- Please ensure there is only one adult per child on the playground.
- Please continue to follow the one-way system (in the single gate, out the double gates) and leave the playground promptly.
- Please ensure any other children with you do not touch school equipment and stand with you at all times. Equipment is cleaned at 2.30pm each day and must not be touched after this.
- If you need to talk to a member of staff, please continue to contact the school office and we will call you. Conversations on the playground will not be possible during the lockdown.
- All drop-off and collections times, including those for pre-school, remain unchanged.

Can I thank you in advance for your co-operation with all of the new and existing measures. The most important thing is that we work together to reduce the spread of the virus, so that we can get back to normality as soon as possible.

I look forward to another productive half term. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do contact us – either on See Saw or via the school office - office@huthwaiteallsaints.notts.sch.uk

With best wishes,

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