

St Francis RC Primary School

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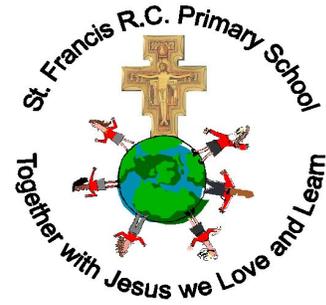
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“Ynghyd â Iesu wrth ein bodd a dysgu.”

“Together with Jesus we love and learn”

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are so pleased to be welcoming your children back to school after such a long time. As you are aware school is going to be very different for a while. All schools have been given advice on how the restart will take place. There are many changes to how we can operate as a school.

Arrival and Departure at School

Each class will have different start and end times, this is to assist in social distancing. When you arrive at school you will notice a one way system and lines to stand on to ensure 2m social distancing. Your child’s teacher or a teaching assistant will welcome your child/ren and take them into school. At this point we ask you to follow the arrows and leave the playground following the one way system. Your child/ren will put their coat/jacket/jumper on the back of their chair in their class. Please explain to your child before they arrive they will not be using their coat pegs. Please keep the drop off very brief so that we don’t create a large quantity of people on the playground. If you need to speak to a teacher please use the teacher’s email or contact the office.

Lunch

All children need to bring a packed lunch. Free school meal funding will continue to be paid directly to you to assist with this. Your child/ren must not bring anything else into school.

Medication

If your child/ren needs to take medication please place it in a sealed bag with the instructions inside and their name on. Please hand this to your child who will hand it to their teacher. This includes asthma inhalers.

School Uniform

There is no need for your child to wear school uniform although they may wish to do so. All we ask is that the clothes they put on are clean that day.

Social Distancing

The 2 metre social distancing is in place for all. Please talk to your child/ren and prepare them before they return to school that they need to remember this and that school and their classrooms will look different. Staff will remind children throughout the day about this.

Handwashing

On entry into school there is a hand sanitizer for all to use. Children will be asked to wash their hands regularly throughout the day.

Illness/Symptoms

If your child becomes unwell during the day we will ring you immediately and ask you to take them home. Please ensure we have up to date contact details for you. It is essential that we can contact you or a relative in the day. If you have changed your number please let us know.

Staffing

We are very fortunate that compared to many schools we still have many of our staff available. Unfortunately there are a few staff who will have to remain at home.

Check in – Catch up - Prepare

Kirsty Williams, the Education Minister says that the restart to school is about checking in and catching up. She has said this does not mean catching up on the education lost but catching up with one another. Prepare means getting ready. While the children are in school we will ensure they understand that they have to do some of their learning with your support at home. They will be in school one day a week to ensure we fulfil the criteria for social distancing. They will be prepared to work from home for the rest of the week through online learning. This is very new to us all.

Phone calls will be made this week to let you know your day and start time.

We have missed you and look forward to seeing you all!

Yours faithfully

Marie Langsdale

Acting Headteacher