

BACK TO SCHOOL









St Vincent de Paul
Catholic Primary School,
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We are called to be the hands and face of Jesus as we learn, love and grow together



Soon we will all be returning to school. We have missed you and are looking forward to hearing About all of the things that you have been up to.

All the adults in school will help you to be safe and will take good care of you. Things might be a little bit different but you will all be back together as a class which will be wonderful.

Your new teachers and teaching assistants are all looking forward to being with you!

This document should help everyone to feel more confident about the return to school in September.



In Nursery, Reception and Year 1 ...
the classrooms will be set up like this.

We will have space to spread out and fewer children will sit at each table in groups.

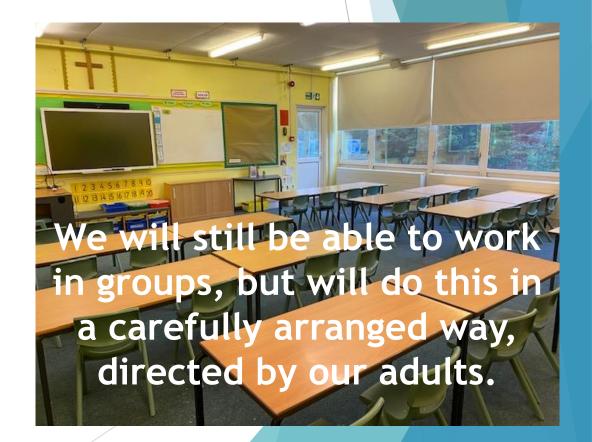
We will be able to access everything that we need to learn, but there will be less resources out on display so that equipment can be kept clean throughout the day.



In Year 2 we sit at our tables for longer periods, so we must set the classroom up slightly differently.

We will be seated in rows facing the front so that we are not directly breathing on someone else for long periods.

We will have everything that we need to learn with in our class bubble. There will be less out on the surfaces so that everywhere can be kept clean. I can help to keep my classroom clutter free.



In KS2 (Years 3 to Year 6) we sit at our tables for longer periods, so we have to set the classroom up slightly differently.

We will be seated in rows facing the front so that we are not directly breathing on someone else for long periods.

We will still be able to complete group work - our adults will help us to set this up safely!





I need to bring in an empty small wipeable pencil case.

This will stay in school and will not go home until the end of the year. I will be given the things that I need to keep in this - my personal kit - on day one. Only I will use these materials.

I will help to keep surfaces clear in my classroom at the end of the day so that my classroom can be kept clean.

You will have your own set of adults that will remain with your class throughout the day.

Some adults might be wearing a 'face covering' or 'mask'. This is nothing to be worried about. It is just another way that some people are to using to keep themselves and others safe.

You will be used to this if you have been to the shops or on public transport.

Sometimes an adult has to visit your bubble that is not normally part of it. These adults may also wear a mask.

At the moment, the Government are not expecting children to wear a mask in primary schools.



These things will still be really important:

Excellent hygiene

Sticking to careful hand washing routines
Catching my coughs and sneezes in a tissue
Keeping to the rules for using the toilets
Cleaning my work area
Only coming to school when I am well







Hand washing is a good way to keep yourself safe.

Its important to clean ALL of your hands.

Adults will remind you to wash your hands during the day.

This video shows how to make sure your whole hand is clean

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cbX0xwKORjk

There are different places in school that can be used to keep our hands clean.





Or we can carefully use the hand gel at the designated sanitising stations

When will I wash my hands?

- When I arrive
- Before eating
- Before break
- After break
- Before lunch
- After lunch





- When I move between activities
- When I move between areas of the school
- When I touch something that I do not know is clean
- When I have sneezed or coughed
- When I go to the toilet
- Before I go home



For sneezes and coughs, use tissues

(or the crook of your arm if no tissues)

then put the tissues in the lidded bin

and wash your hands.

You will be told which toilets to use

Please flush toilet after using.



THANK YOU.







You will know your work area is clean because it is cleaned before and after school for you and you will help to clean it at break



time and lunch time.



Social Distancing

- You must only mix with your bubble
- Play near your friends
- We try to stay 2m apart wherever we can
- We avoid physical contact with friends and with adults
- Keep each other safe





Our school is one big beautiful bubble.

Each Year Group is a safe bubble inside

to protect the school bubble.

We spend most of our time with our

class bubble to keep us even safer.







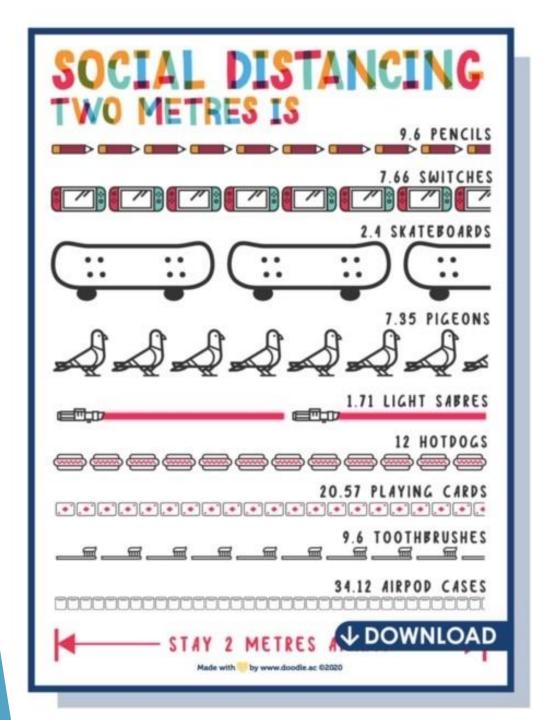


Wait on the marked lines to line up before school, after break and after lunch Always follow the direction of the arrows





Play near your friends, but not too near!





The markers will help you, but how good are you at estimating 2 metres?



Some places are safer for 1 or 2 people at a time.

You must follow instructions

To keep us all safe, we are not allowed to gather in groups bigger than our bubble. This means that assemblies, liturgies and celebrations will either be in smaller groups or will be 'virtual' events. On these occasions we will used technology to connect our bubbles together so that we can be 'one'





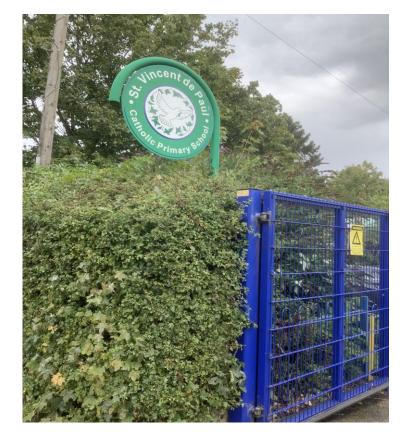


Everyone will come into school wearing school uniform unless it is a PE day when you will wear your PE kit (tracksuit bottoms and trainers with your school jumper). Your plimsolls will stay in school. You might bring a packed lunch, snack, named water bottle, coat or sun hat with you as well as your small bag or book bag.

Everything you bring in, must fit on your peg or in your locker.

You are not allowed to bring anything else.







Everyone will come into school, through the front gate (on Bedwell Crescent) and

go out using the back gate. There are arrows and markers to keep everyone at a safe distance. You will walk around to the classrooms, where your adults will meet you. Most of Year 5 and 6 will come in on their own. Adults will show you the door to use. Only children will come into the school building.









Your classrooms might look a little bit different but there will be some things that will be the same. You can bring your named water bottle into the classroom with you but you must leave your toys at home. Children in the juniors can bring in a pencil case which will be left in school.

Everything you need will be in school ready for you.







There will be lots of different learning tasks in school, some in the classroom, some in the ICT suite and some outside.

You can bring a sun hat and have suncream put on before school, adults will not be able to help you put suncream on in school.









All children will be able to access the classroom libraries again. Each class will have its own procedures to make sure that this is done safely - these books will only be shared within your class bubble. Books will be able to go home but procedures will be in place to make sure that this is done safely. There may be less books to chose from but there will be enough to enjoy!



Before snack and lunch you will clean your table (you might need some help) and your hands.





If you are in Reception class, you will eat your lunch in our lovely new dining room - lucky you!

If you are in any other class, you will eat your lunch in the classroom.

Some children will go out to play

first and then eat their lunch. Others will eat first and then go out to play.

Some children will bring their own packed lunch. Others will have a packed lunch prepared in school by Mrs Pickard.

If you have a school packed lunch you will be able to choose from two hot and two cold options each day:

| | HOT OPTION | COLD OPTION |
|-----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Monday | Beef burger in a bun | Tuna roll |
| | Quorn <u>pattie</u> in a bun | Cheese roll |
| Tuesday | Sausage hotdog | Ham baguette |
| | Quorn hotdog | <u>Dairylea</u> baguette |
| Wednesday | Chicken wrap | Chicken wrap |
| | Southern fried <u>quorn</u> wrap | Cheese wrap |
| Thursday | Meatball sub | Ham baguette |
| | Quorn sub | Cheese baguette |
| Friday | Pizza slice | Tuna wrap |
| | Fish finger wrap | Cheese wrap |

You will order a red, green, yellow or blue lunch each morning.
The menu will usually stay the same each week.



At break time and lunch time, your bubble with have your own play equipment.

You will help to keep it safe by washing your hands before and after you use it.



Not all children will leave school at the same time at the end of the day. You will walk out of the school by the back gate with your adult.

Most children in Year 5 and 6 will leave the school site on their own and will have arranged where to meet their adult outside of the school.

Adults will not be allowed into the building unless they have an appointment, even if you can't find something.

Please remind your adults that you are not allowed to play on the school grounds at the end of the day and must not hang around outside the back gate.

This is to help everyone to social distance and to protect all of our families. Thank you for helping us do this!



Be Kind

In school

- Stay with your bubble
- If you have medication, it will be kept in your classroom by the adults
- If you need First Aid your adults will help you





I will not be asked to take messages to any other classes, to the office or to run errands and it is fine for me to remind the adults of this if they forget!

Social Distancing

- Stay in your bubble
- Play near your friends
- Keep each other safe





I am not allowed to come into school if:

- I have a high temperature;
- I have a new persistent cough; or
- My sense of taste or smell has changed

This doesn't necessarily mean that I have Coronavirus, it just means that my adults need to keep an extra special eye on how I am doing.

If I have any of these symptoms and am not able to be in school, the teachers will set me some learning that I can complete at home if I am well enough to do so.



Your school day will be calm and purposeful.
You will have activities and tasks to help you enjoy being back at school.



We are looking forward to being back together as one community. See you all soon!

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