



# ST BEDE'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*Jesus is at the heart of life in St Bede's School.*

*We pray that He will guide us to be happy, love one another and always do our best*

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Wednesday 15 July 2020

Dear Parents,

As we approach the long summer break, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and encouragement during this very unusual academic year. I think 2020 will be talked about for many years to come and will probably become an area of study on our History curriculum.

I hope you are well wherever you are and please remember that you are a very important part of our community regardless of whether we are seeing you regularly or you are at home. We are looking forward to the return of all pupils in September and we are working hard to plan for this now.

## September - Full Opening of Schools

As you may have seen in the media, the Government has issued guidance concerning the full opening of schools at the start of the autumn term in September:

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools)

Below are some provisional details of our plans for the full reopening of St Bede's (please be aware that these may be subject to change at short notice). Should the guidance be amended, we will inform you as soon as possible and will confirm our definite plans during the week commencing Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020.

In order to reduce the risk of coronavirus spreading within the school setting, we will be implementing a number of protective measures, as detailed below. The safety of our pupils, staff and families remains paramount. It goes without saying that school will look and feel different as we implement the Government's recommended measures in order to reduce the risk of the virus spreading.

## Infection Control

- Children will be grouped into year group class bubbles with contact avoided between groups.
- In order to minimise contact with people who are unwell, anyone with coronavirus symptoms, or who has someone in their house with symptoms, must not attend school.
- A regime of regular hand cleansing will be implemented.
- Enhanced cleaning regimes will be put in place.
- Contact between individuals will be minimised and social distancing will be enforced, wherever possible.
- Within the classrooms, layouts will be changed so that all children sit in rows and face forwards. There will probably be a different set-up for our Nursery and Reception bubbles but we are awaiting further confirmation.
- Bubbles will be kept apart with staggered and separate breaks and lunchtimes, and there will be no large gatherings (e.g., collective worships, Masses, assemblies).
- Parents will still not be allowed on the school site until further notice.

## Curriculum

The curriculum will remain broad and ambitious with a full range of subjects offered. For the first two weeks, the children will complete a lot of well-being, friendship and transitional activities that focus on spoken language and ensuring that they feel comfortable and secure in their new learning environment. Teaching staff will complete some activities in curriculum subjects at the start of the term to identify gaps in the pupils' knowledge so that these can be addressed sequentially over the course of the academic year.

## Uniform

Pupils will be required to return to school in full uniform. School sweatshirts, polo shirts, fleeces, hats, caps and PE kit embroidered with our school logo can be purchased direct from [www.myclothing.com](http://www.myclothing.com) and also from J K Clothing (North East) Ltd, Ellison Street, Jarrow. The shop is now open and there is also an online facility. On the days your child has PE, they should come dressed for this to avoid the need to change clothes in school. You will be informed of these days closer to the beginning of term together with information regarding suitable clothing and footwear.

## Classes for Next Year

The following list indicates who your child's teacher will be in September.

Year Group	Teacher	TA Support	PPA Cover
Nursery	Mrs K McLaren	Miss R Wood	
Reception	Mrs E Buck	Mrs T Stephenson/ Mrs L Brunnock	Mrs K McLaren
Year 1	Miss L McCabe	Miss S Gough	Mrs K McLaren
Year 2	Ms L Shaw	Miss M Relf	Mrs K McLaren
Year 3	Mr S Halliday	Miss C Wilson	Mrs A-M McQuillin/ Mrs G Robinson
Year 4	Miss J Romano	Mrs S Hunt	Mrs A-M McQuillin
Year 5	Mrs K Jeffrey	Mrs A Purvis	Mrs A-M McQuillin
Year 6	Mr M Brown	Mrs G Carmichael	Mrs A-M McQuillin
	Mr M Hurst	Will work throughout the school supporting SEND and mentoring Mr Halliday through his NQT year.	

We welcome Mr Halliday to St Bede's. He will be another great asset to our teaching staff and it is wonderful to see an ex-pupil coming back home.

## Dates for Returning to School

- Year 1 to Year 6 children will return to school on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September.
- Reception children have a phased return starting with a morning or afternoon session from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September for 2 weeks.
- Nursery children will have staggered start dates from the week commencing Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September.



## Arrival and Departure Times

Please see the attached times for your child's year group. Parents must adhere strictly to this schedule. For those families with siblings in school, please drop your children off and collect at the older sibling's allotted time. Staff will be available at the gates to take siblings into school. Please note that only one adult should accompany the children to the school gate. To avoid congestion, anyone dropping off or collecting children must then leave the school site immediately.

## Year 6

Goodbye, God Bless and Good Luck to our Y6 children as they prepare to start the next phase of their education. It has been a pleasure to know you and you have been excellent buddies to your Reception friends - thank you!

## And finally...

Over the last few months, our lives have felt so different and it will be a joy to see all our pupils returning in September. There will be challenges of course, but I know our school community will overcome them and thrive. Your kind words and messages have really made us smile during this difficult period. We are very much looking forward to welcoming all our children back into school and to see our school community busy and full of children's love and laughter once again.

Thank you for all your support during this pandemic.

I hope you all have a great summer and we will see you in September.

Stay safe,

Mrs M Rooney, the staff and governors of St Bede's



1	Class	<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 6</u>
3	Staff	KM/RW	EB/TS/LB	LM/SG	LS/ MR	SH/CW/GR/AM/ MH	JR/SH/AM	KJ/AP/AM	MB/GC/AM
4	Entrance/Exit	Pupil Entrance 1 Nursery door <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 1 Reception door <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 2 Main door entrance <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 2 Main door entrance <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 3 Back Door (Near) <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 3 Back Door (Near) <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 4 Back door entrance (far) <b>Exit:</b> One-way system	Pupil Entrance 4 Back door entrance (far) <b>Exit:</b> One-way system
		<b>Start time:</b> 8:50am-9:00am <b>Finish time:</b> 12:00pm	<b>Start time:</b> 9:00am-9:10am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:15pm	<b>Start time:</b> 8.50am-9.00am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:00pm	<b>Start time:</b> 9:00am-9:10am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:15pm	<b>Start time:</b> 8:50am-9:00am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:00pm	<b>Start time:</b> 9:00am-9:10am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:15pm	<b>Start time:</b> 8:50am-9:00am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:00pm	<b>Start time:</b> 8:50am-9:00am <b>Finish time:</b> 3:00pm
6	Break Time 1 (+toilet and hand wash)		10:00am-10:15am	10:15am-10:30am	10:15am – 10:30am	10:15am-10:30am	10:15am-10:30am	10:35am-10:50am	10:35am–10:50am
	Break-Time (Area)		KS1 Yard	KS1 Yard	KS1 Yard	KS2 Yard/ Field	KS2 Yard/ Field	KS2 Yard/ Field	KS2 Yard/ Field
7	Lunch	N/A	11.20-12.20 (11.40-12.20 Yard)	11.30-12.30 (11.30-11.50 Hall 11.50-12.30 Yard)	12.10-1.10 (12.10-12.30 Hall 1.10 – 12.30 Yard)	11.45 – 12.45 (11.45-12.05 Hall 12.05-12.45 Yard)	11.50-12.50 (11.50-12.10Yard 12.10-12.30 Hall 12.30-12.50 Yard)	12.30-1.30 (12.30-12.50 Hall 12.50-1.30 Yard)	12.30-1.30 (12.30-12.50 Hall 12.50-1.30 Yard)
		N/A	KS1 Yard	KS1 Yard	KS1 Yard	KS2 Yard/ Field	KS2 Yard/ Field	KS2 Yard/ Field	KS2 Yard/ Field
8	Break Time 1 (+toilet and hand wash)	N/A	1:30pm-1:45pm KS1 Yard	1:45pm-2:00pm KS1 Yard	1:45pm-2:00pm KS1 Yard	1:50pm-2:05pm	1:50pm-2:05pm	Discretionary	Discretionary

