

St. Michael's Newsletter



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SCHOOL RE-OPENING ARRANGEMENTS FROM 8.3.21

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well and as we approach the final week of dual learning. We have had an average of 120 children attending school each day since the beginning of January with 135 individual children accessing onsite education during each week as some pupils have attended on a part-time basis. This means that the majority of our pupils have continued to learn from home and we are very grateful to all our parents and carers for the support they have given to their children to support their education during very challenging times for all.

However, we are so excited to be able to welcome back all our children to school on Monday 8th March 2021! I am sure many of you are relieved too!

Our risk assessment has been revised and can be viewed on our website (<http://www.stmichaelschurchool.co.uk/key-information/coronavirus-updates>). These have been approved by the Local Authority, the Diocese and our Governors. They are long, detailed documents but essentially we will be operating the same arrangements that we had during the Autumn Term.



Power Point presentations to share with your children

If you feel that your children may need a reminder about how school is organised please re-visit the two presentations on the website (see link above). The first is aimed at our Reception and Year 1 children. The second is for our older pupils.

Start and Finish times

March 8th 2021

It is vital that we continue to reduce the number of adults who are gathering at any one time. You will need to bring your child (preferably only 1 adult) to the correct gate at the right time.

As before Children will be met at the gate by their teachers and taken into class. They will be brought to the gate at pick up time too. Some

start times have been brought forward slightly to allow parents to drop off and return to home/work without having to wait too long in between when dropping several children off.

Group	Arrival (15 minute window)	Arrival Point	Collective worship (ZOOM)	Break time	Break Location	Lunchtime	Eating Area	Lunch Play Location	Collection
Reception	8.40	Zone A	9.15	10.30	EYFS front	11.45-Eat 12.45- Play	Hall	EYFS front	3.15
Year 1	8.30	Zone A	9.15	10.30	MUGA	11.45-Play 12.15- Eat	Hall	Whole Strip area	3.00
Year 2	8.40	Zone B	9.15	10.45	Strip	12.15- Play 12.45- Eat	Hall	Whole Strip area	3.10
Year 3	8.30	Zone B	9.15	10.45	MUGA	12.15- Eat 12.45- Play	Classroom	Lower Playground	3.00
Year 4	8.50	Zone C	9.15	10.45	Top Playground	12.15- Play 12.45- Eat	Classroom	Lower Playground	3.15
Year 5	8.40	Zone C	9.15	10.30	Lower Playground	12.15- Eat 12.45- Play	Classroom	Top Playground	3.10
Year 6	8.30	Zone C	9.15	10.45	Whole Playground	12.15- Play 12.45- Eat	Classroom	Top Playground	3.00

School Uniform

We expect all children to return to school in correct **uniform**, with PE uniform only worn on PE days. Please check class pages for details of when your child should be wearing PE uniform. We also realise that children may have outgrown their school shoes and the shops will not re-open until after we are back. If this is the case for your child, please select the most sensible footwear that they fit into until you have chance to replace them. Chroma Sports , our uniform suppliers, have confirmed that they will open for click and collect collection only on 3rd, 4th and 5th of March between 10am and 2pm. See link on our website. Their showroom will re-open on the 12th March . For our first day back,

full uniform for everybody please.

We will be holding another Second Hand uniform shop next week, on Thursday 4th and Friday 5th March in the morning 9.30-10.30am. If you have any uniform that your children have out grown, please consider sending into school to keep our supplies well stocked.



What to bring to school

- **Uniform**, including coat (and woolly hat or sunhat)
- **Plastic Packed lunch box, if not having a school dinner** : If you have selected for your child to have a packed lunch, please send this in a clearly named packed lunch box. The packed lunch box should be suitable to be wiped down on the handle and possibly the outside using anti-bacterial wipes, so plastic rather than fabric boxes please.
- **Reading Books/Library Books**– please can you bring these back to school with you on Monday.
- **Laptops/Chromebooks/I-pads**– If you were loaned a device to support Home learning, please can you ensure that these are returned to school on Monday 8th March. Don't forget the chargers too.
- **NO** water bottle: We will continue to provide each child with their own named water bottle , which will be cleaned, sterilised and re-filled each day.
- **NO** book bag or any school bags needed for now



Contact with Teachers and School Office

If you wish to have a chat with your child's classteachers, please email using Google classroom or call the Main School office to arrange a time when the teacher will be able to speak with you. It is important that in the mornings and afternoons teachers can concentrate on ensuring pupils arrive and leave the site safely and social distancing guidance will prohibit 'private' conversations at the school gate so communicating this way, will be best.

Beehive and After School Activities

Our Before and After School Beehive will re-open fully on March 8th.

To book your child a place please follow this link:

<https://stmichaelschurchool.magicbooking.co.uk/>



All other after school activities will commence after the Easter

Holidays. We will send out details of clubs and activities before the holidays so that you can sign up ready to start. We are hoping that all our music tuition will start again after the Easter Holidays.

And finally...

We can't wait for Monday 8th March, to see you all again. Keep learning the sign language and actions for our Hope song so that we can finish the film once everybody is back together.

Mrs Smith

Headteacher

St. Michael's Church School

