

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had an enjoyable and restful summer holiday. The past couple of years have been a challenge and have had an impact upon all across the country. We have worked hard as a school community to try and make sure the full re-opening of school is as safe as possible whilst ensuring your child's education is not disrupted.

As we return to school in September, we will clearly have a focus on ensuring that all children enjoy their return to school and to gradually get back to a more, 'normal' Corpus Christi life, whilst still ensuring the safety of all. We will, slowly start to resume our wide range of curriculum opportunities during and after school for all pupils as well as providing further emotional support for those children who need it. We are a very strong community, and I am sure that if we all work towards the common goal of ensuring that every single child shines at school, we will enable them all to face the future with a renewed confidence. We are excited to have all of our children back in school from September and the passion of our staff is clear in ensuring no child is left behind.

Following Government Guidelines we will still be operating school slightly different whilst maintaining safety of both children, staff and parents. As you can appreciate, no school can guarantee 100% safety from the virus, but we have taken advice from Government and Public Health England to put all necessary risk assessments and safety precautions in place and will continue to do so over the next few months as we begin to get back to a normal school life.

We will continue to have the following with a few alterations and additions:

- PPE in every classroom (hand sanitiser, gloves, soap, paper towels, bins with lids)
- Adults administering first aid will wear PPE
- Each child will have their own space within the classroom with all necessary equipment for them to use at their table to minimise movement around the classroom
- Water bottles to be brought in clean and taken home at the end of every day (Any left will be disposed of on a night)
- Full school uniform
- No school bags needed, book bags only to exchange reading books.
- PE Kit to be worn all day on appropriate PE days – you will be informed of these days once the school year has started.
- NO Pencil cases (All appropriate equipment will be provided)
- Only one adult to pick up and drop off

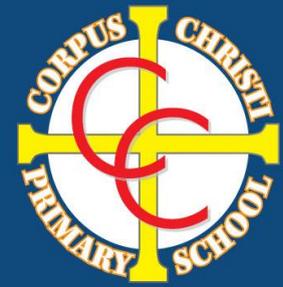
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- Drop off at classroom doors at 8:50am – for ALL year groups – children must be on time
- Pick up from classroom doors at 3:30pm – for ALL year groups  
(*Don't worry about siblings drop off and pick up from the youngest child first*)
- No lining up on the playground in the mornings (until further notice – this will be reviewed after a couple of weeks taking into consideration the reintroduction of children and parents to the setting)
- 2m social distant marking near all classroom doors for drop off and pick up
- Staff will be unable to talk at the classroom doors at drop off and pick up – please continue to contact staff by email (this again will be reviewed after a couple of weeks)
- Children will be seated at the end of the day and called when an adult is at the front of the 2m distanced queue for collection.
- Doors will be open in the relevant room for children from 3:30pm
- Adults will need to leave school site immediately following drop off or pick up to minimise contact with others
- Adults can now come into the foyer to speak with office staff but strictly adhere to 1 adult at a time.
- Money and or letters to be dropped off in the post box in the foyer

Reception children start at 10am on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and can line/meet on the playground. Mrs Martin will meet the children and parents for the first day. This will then revert to the class door until further notice.

This list is not exhaustive and will be adjusted accordingly over time and we have tried to cover as many areas as possible. If you do have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact school via the school email address: [corpuschrsti@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:corpuschrsti@sthelens.org.uk)

Equally, as a school, we ask that parents also do their utmost to keep our school community safe. **If your child or anyone in your household displays any symptoms please do not send your child to school.**

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We are looking forward now with optimism and determination to provide excellent education and care for every one of our children. If you do have any queries then please don't hesitate to phone me at school or send an email.

As always, I send my love and best wishes to you all and I look forward to seeing you and our children on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021.

God Bless

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(Headteacher)

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