

Newsletter 14 (2020-21)

December 18th, 2020

Dear Parents,

It is certainly an incredibly world that we now find ourselves living in at the moment. As we near the end of this year and reflect back, we must all think of how we have managed so well. As a School Family, we have weathered the storm marvellous together.

Our wonderful children returned to school confidently and adapted well to working in Class Bubbles. Thank you all for your ongoing support adapting to new routines and all the changes that have taken place. Lastly, I have to thank the staff who have done a brilliant job of maintaining some kind of 'normal' in school, and working doubly hard to close the gaps that lockdown has created in children's learning. Thank you for all your wonderful comments and e-mails to us all – your warmth and encouragement mean everything.

We remain confident that the school will reopen on Tuesday 5th January but, if anything changes, you will be contacted as soon as possible. Please keep checking the school website (www.stsavioursprimary.co.uk) for updated news.

From Friday 18th December – Wednesday 23rd December, if your child tests positive for COVID-19, it is important that you still inform the school. This is really important as there may be a need to inform families due to the 'infection window' and possible need for isolation. I ask that you email the school at

head@stsavioursprimary.co.uk

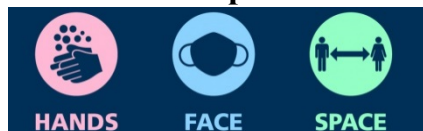
deputy@stsavioursprimary.co.uk

Update on National Restrictions:



As of today, Wednesday 16th December, Westminster, along with the rest of London, moved to Local COVID-19 alert level: very high, otherwise known as tier 3 (**please see poster on the next page**). More information about what this means can be found on GOV.UK

Hands. Face. Space.



The most important thing we can all do in our school community to prevent the spread of the virus is to remember the basics, Hands. Face. Space:

1. Wash your hands, regularly and for at least 20 seconds, or if you can't, use hand sanitiser
2. Stay at least two metres away from people outside your household or bubble
3. Wear a face covering when coming to drop off or collect children from school.

HM Government NHS

LOCAL COVID ALERT LEVEL

VERY HIGH

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MEDIUM

Social Contact 1 household / bubble in most locations, indoors and outdoors. Rule of six applies in some outdoors settings like parks, public gardens and sports courts.	Weddings and Funerals Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for wakes and related ceremonies. Wedding receptions not permitted.	Overnight Stays Those in area advised against overnight stays in other parts of UK. People outside area advised against overnight stays in area.	Working from home guidance Work from home where possible.
Shopping and Retail Open.	Leisure and gyms Any closures or additional restrictions subject to consultation.	Hospitality Pubs and bars must close except where they operate as a restaurant, meaning they can only serve alcohol with a substantial meal. Further closures subject to consultation.	Entertainment and tourist attractions Any closures / additional restrictions subject to consultation. Nightclubs and adult entertainment remain closed.
Education Schools, FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions with option to move to greater online provision.	Healthcare Services Open.	Residential Care Closed to external visitors other than in exceptional circumstances.	Travel and Transport May continue to travel to open venues, but reduce number of journeys where possible. Avoid travel where possible in or out of the affected area with exceptions including work and school.
Sporting Activity Organised sport / licensed physical activity allowed in outdoor settings. Indoor organised sport must follow social contact rules (other than youth or disabled sport).	Worship Open, subject to social contact rules.	Childcare Registered and unregistered childcare. Supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted. Childcare bubbles for under 14s.	Youth Clubs and Activities Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:

- Wash hands** keep washing your hands regularly
- Cover face** wear a face covering in enclosed spaces
- Make space** stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

For more information and detailed guidance visit:
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

School Christmas Carol Concert – Slightly Different This Year!

A huge thank you to Mr Hurley and Mr B (?) who very generously made a wonderful film of each of the Ks2 classes performing a Christmas Carol as a fundraising project for the school. Feel free to watch the concert and then donate what you can to

https://youtu.be/C_2q9r8VCff

Year 6 also took part in the TriBorough's Digital Christmas concert and you can watch their performance here: <https://vimeo.com/490800653>

Another huge thank you to Mr Hurley and Mr B for filming the children's performance for the project - the children looked and sounded fabulous.

New Lunch Menu from January 2021

I have attached a copy of the three week rota menu which will be start at the beginning of next term. There is lots to enjoy and the children are certainly appreciating the very positive changes that have been made to their meals by our new caterer, Harrisons.

Children were also asked to vote on a special one-off menu for the School Census day on January 21st. The choices were between Spanish, Italian and French menus and, by quite a margin, the French menu won. So, on 21st, the lunch choices will be:

Chasseur Style Chicken, Vegetable Cassoulet, Pilaf Rice, Ratatouille, French Beans, Crusty Sliced Baguette
 French Style Chocolate Cake

A growing number of children usually eating a packed lunch are switching to the new version lunches as they see how much their friends are enjoying them. If your child would like a **one week school lunch trial**, please contact Miss Simmons (jsimmons@stsavioursprimary.co.uk) to make arrangements.

Have a Think about “Among Us”

A lot of children have spoken about the on-line game “Among Us”. This is exciting a lot of them both in the activities they can play on line but also in the games they play in the playground and pictures they draw. Whilst I am not overly concerned, I have been speaking to Miss Cornelius about any possible issues that may arise.

Here is a link that gives an overview of the game for parents: <https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/is-among-us-multiplayer-game-safe-for-children/>

Additional information can be found here: <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/among-us/>

It rated as suitable for 7+ years. The main concerns for parents are seeing inappropriate content and talking to strangers in a public chat. The aim of the game is to kill the imposter. The graphics are not bloody or gory, but instead more cartoon like and silly. The characters are also not humans, which makes it less realistic.

Christmas Tree Decoration Competition

Every year, we organise two Christmas Tree decoration competitions and, this year, each one had to include ribbons. All of the children voted for their favourites and these are the winners:



**1st Ms Woodford's
2020 Corona Virus**



**Miss Hodgson's
Ribbon tree with bells**



**Mrs. Robson's 2020
Toilet Roll**

Mrs. Vasiliou was this year's judge for the adults and her results were:



**Miss Granite's crocheted
Wreath**



**Ms Woodford's
Corona Virus**



**Miss Simmons' Praising
Angel**

Wishing you a most peaceful and healthy Christmas,
Miss Woodford