

Newsletter 1 (2021-22)

September 10th, 2021

Dear Parents,

Return to School – Thank Goodness and Welcome Back!

The Flood in July continued to cause problems right up last week. I apologise for informing you at the last moment about the lack of toilets but you knew as soon as we did. There was nothing else to do but close the school for an extra two days. Working toilets are a legal requirement.

Whilst there are there are no more COVID restrictions we are still mindful that the virus is still in the community. Class Bubbles will remained but have been relaxed. Two classes will now have lunch in the hall but each class will have exclusive use of a playground. **Please see attached COVID Plan for further details.**

All children have equal and frequent access to play and physical activities. The transition to new classes will have affected all children differently but we are **very** aware that the loss of structured schooling over the last 18+ months will have meant that some recovery is essential – and this is for children and parents!

Listening carefully to your child/ren is essential. Equally, please take a moment to think if they are exaggerating! Clearly, if they have been hurt or they have a serious problem, please bring this to our attention asap. However, if they are complaining of being tired – sadly, this is normal at this time of year and particularly after the problems of last year. Perhaps consider, if you believe everything children tell you about us, we will believe everything they say about you!

When bringing your children to school and collecting them in the afternoon, **please** do not arrive before your allotted time – we are doing our best to keep the pavements as clear as possible. Your times are as follows:

Class	Arrival Time	Collection Time	Gate
Nursery	8:55 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Nursery Gate
Reception	8:45 a.m.	3:10 p.m.	Nursery Gate
Year One	8:50 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	Front Entrance
Year Two	8:50 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	Kitchen Fire Door
Year Three	8:55 a.m.	3:10 p.m.	Playground Gate
Year Four	8:50 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	Playground Gate
Year Five	8:45 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Playground Gate
Year Six	8:45 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Front Entrance

Everything and Everyone is Going to Need Time to Settle

We have now been back at school for a whole week – hurray! These are exciting times and also times of recovery. All children have moved to new classes and staff. All staff have sent you details of a Zoomed Meet the Teacher session – please make note of this.

New classes mean new types of learning. Movement from Reception to Year One is probably the biggest leap – no longer will parents receive Tapestry updates or be able to see one of three members of Reception staff. We haven't forgotten you but please bear in mind, everyone is still getting used to new ways of working. Some adults are more sensitive than others – we are doing our best to remember this and I would ask that you do the same.

[There will be a Zoomed Secondary Transfer at 3:30 p.m. next Tuesday – Miss Simmons has sent the link. Individual meetings with Year Six parents can be arranged through Miss Simmons.](#)

Welcome to New St. Saviour's Families

Some new families have joined our school and we are delighted to welcome them! If you are a new family, please make sure you go to the Apps Store and download The St. Saviour's App.

It is very important for everyone to read messages from school. These will be sent home as emails and not usually papers copies. If you would prefer a paper copy, please let me know. **If you would like a Newsletter translated, we can also help with this.**

The Class ChitChat will come out on Thursday and this Newsletter on Friday.

Extra! Extra! Read All About it! After School Clubs will be starting soon. You will receive an application for next week and your child should put their favourite **three** clubs in order – first, second and third. Mrs. Pearman will, once again, be taking charge of Clubs.

The School Photographer will be visiting on Wednesday 29th September to take individual photos. Please contact Miss Simmons if you would like all your children taken together.

The Photographer will also be taking group photos of our special groups: The Gingersnaps, Left Handers and The Specsaviours.

Buster and Stars of the Week will start next week

Special Guest Headteachers Arriving Next Friday

I am delighted to announce that Mr. Jackson Hill and Mr. Vinny Hill will be joining me as Headteachers for the Day next Friday 17th September. Please make sure to greet them as Mr. Hill and Mr. Hill at the gate in the morning. You will see them around the school completing many important jobs. They have organised an amazing Friday TryDay for you and will be sharing assembly duties with me.

New Lunch Menu

I have to give credit to our Catering Team (Vivian, Gertrude and Laura) who create the most amazing lunches for both children and adults. I have attached this term's menu for your information and, believe, me all courses are delicious. If you would like your child to change from packed lunch to school lunch, please contact Miss Simmons (jsimmons@stsavioursprimary.co.uk). Lunches cost £2.75.

I hope you have a restful weekend and keep safe.

With love and best wishes,

Ms. Woodford