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Catholic Voluntary Academy

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**OUR LADY
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CATHOLIC MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST

Headteacher: Mrs T Lane

9th July 2020

September Return to School

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well. I wanted to update you on plans for September 2020 to provide you with time to prepare for your children returning to school.

We have very much missed the children and you during this very difficult time; I must thank you all for the hard work you have put into working with your children since March 20th on the distance learning. Parents have been amazing in juggling home, child care, health needs, safety and jobs along with supporting your child through our distance learning programme. You are truly incredible! I would also like to thank the staff at St Patrick's who have worked constantly in school and from home to provide such a rich and varied curriculum for the children; they have all been extremely dedicated to providing the very best education possible at this challenging time and I know you have appreciated this. Thank you to parents who took the time to complete the parent survey, your comments were very much appreciated and will help us to continue to support you at home and in school.

September still brings challenges for us all and we are having to continue to work within government restrictions to minimise risks to adults and children. Parents who have been bringing their children to school during the spring and summer terms have worked with us perfectly to follow systems we have had to put in place to maintain safety and we ask that this continues in September please.

We have to put in place staggered start and end of day times as follows:

Classes	Arrival Time	Collection Time	Entrance	EXIT
Family Groups	8.45am	3.05pm	Main Gate	KS 1 Gate B
Nursery full-time	8.45am	3.15pm	KS 1 Gate A	KS 1 Gate B
Nursery part-time	8.45am	11.45am		
Reception	8.45am	3pm		
Year 1	9am	3.10pm	Main Gate	KS 1 Gate B
Year 2	9.10am	3.20pm		
Year 3	9am	3.10pm		
Year 4	9.10am	3.20pm		
Year 5	9.20am	3.30pm		
Year 6	8.50am	3pm		

'Family Groups' are parents with more than one child in school and **child minders** who collect more than one child. If you are in a **family group**, you will need to bring all your children to school at 8.45am and collect them all at 3.05pm entering by the main gate at reception, following the one-way system around school to collect your children and leaving by the gate on the key stage 1 playground. We have organised this to make it simpler for you so that you aren't having to make several journeys or having to wait around.

As a school we ask that parents only collect their child and do not collect other people's children as you would have to wait off school grounds to collect children leaving at different times.

Please keep strictly to these start and end of day times, do not come early or arrive late, do not wait around school, go straight home and keep to the one-way system. This is essential for the safety of everyone in our school community.

The teaching teams for next year currently planned as:

Classes	Teachers	Teaching Assistants
Nursery	Mrs Sarno	Mrs Foote, Miss Hudson
Reception	Mrs Cannell (EYFS Phase Leader)	Mrs Faulconbridge, Mrs Russell, Mrs Pritchett,
Year 1	Miss Crich	Mrs Chandley & Mrs Cotter
Year 2	Miss Lane (KS 1 Phase Leader)	Ms Matto
Year 3	Mr King	Mrs Smith
Year 4	Miss Loscalzo (Lower KS 2 Phase Leader)	Mrs Binjie
Year 5	Mr Siddall	Ms Booth
Year 6	Miss Moody (Upper KS 2 Phase Leader)	Ms Thornhill
French Teacher Ms Jackson		
Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL): Mrs Slight, Mr Slight, Mrs Lane & Miss Lane		
Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENDCO): Mrs T Slight		
Admin Team: Mrs Tyson, Mrs Laing (Mon-Wed), Mrs Shane (Wed-Fri)		
Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA) & Mental Health First Aider: Ms Wall		
Chaplaincy Support: Mrs Cotter		
Senior Leadership Team: Mrs Lane (Headteacher), Mrs Slight (Deputy Headteacher, EYFS & KS 1 Leader) & Mr Slight (Educational Visits Coordinator & KS 2 Leader)		
Site Manager: Mr I Etches		

The government have stated that all pupils must to return to school in September, we are very aware that any pupils and parents who have not been in school since March 2020 may be very anxious still about returning to school. We do understand, we have carried out a thorough risk assessment and put safety measures in place to minimise the risk of transmission of the virus to the school community. In the eventuality of any child or adult becoming ill, we have a full action plan of how this will be dealt with. To reassure you, since wider opening of schools on June 1st, there have been no confirmed cases of covid 19 in any of our Academy Trust schools. In addition to this we have planned our curriculum around supporting the children as much with their mental health and wellbeing as their learning and closing the gaps in learning caused by the covid 19 pandemic and school closures.

We are very excited about having our children back in school. It has been fantastic to see the children who have returned to school and others on seesaw; we have missed you all greatly and can't wait to have you all back.

I will continue to update you with information regarding full opening in September as we have it sent to us.

Stay safe and well.

Kind regards,

Mrs T Lane & the St Patrick's School Team