



1st September 2020

Dear St Cuthbert parents,

I hope you and your families have all stayed well over the summer holiday. I am writing to welcome you back to our new academic year, and to provide you with promised updates regarding:

- health and safety measures
- before/after school provision

Health and Safety Measures

- *We have a mandatory Risk Assessment in place for the start of our new year which has been reviewed by our local authority. It is a 20 page document and will be posted on our website on our Parent page from Friday 4th September*
- *This autumn term we will continue to provide enhanced cleaning in our school by our contracted cleaners*
- *Children will remain in class 'bubbles' and these will not mix with other class 'bubbles' as detailed in the letter sent out in July*
- *We have a revised school timetable to comply with our Risk Assessment*
- *Children will have lunch and playtimes in their class 'bubbles'*
- *We will continue to ensure regular hand-washing /sanitizing protocol through the day*
- *Children will have extra PE sessions each week. There will not be mixed free playtimes with other classes*
- *We will have class worship rather than whole school worship or gatherings*
- *We will not be able to permit parents or visitors on site for the first half term in line with our Risk Assessment unless there are exceptional circumstances*
- *Parents will be welcome to arrange a phone call meeting with any class teacher via arrangement with our school office*
- *Parents will have a duty to check our school website Latest News, Parent Page and Information letters pages for updates*
- *Parents will have a duty to monitor their child for any symptoms that relate to COVID-19 and to follow government advice if any symptoms are evident*
- *Parents will have a duty to ensure safe travel protocol to and from school and if planning holidays or weekends away*
- *School attendance is now mandatory*

We will work as a community to keep everyone as safe and well as we can.

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- *PE kits to be taken home to be washed every weekend*
- *Children to bring their own named reusable water bottle to school*

Before and After School provision

- *We will resume breakfast club each morning from Monday 7th September with greater social distancing in place*
- *We will offer Play Centre from Monday 7th September for children Y1-Y6 as usual with children in group bubbles using additional indoor spaces, and using outdoor spaces where possible. Please book places via our website*
- *Reception children will be able to attend Play Centre from 10th September and nursery children from 21st September*
- *After School Clubs will begin in the second week (week beginning 14th September) and run a limited programme for the first half term with children attending in class bubbles as required. Mr Such will be sending out a letter about After School Clubs in the first week of our new term*

We will continue to post updates and guidance for parents onto our website in the new term. Please check the Latest News or Information Letters pages for updates and guidance. There are also letters with links to useful websites for learning and wellbeing on our Parent page.

Last summer term we shared the procedures for our new term and as a reminder this letter is posted on our website (Latest News). This letter gives start and pick-up times for each year group and details about an altered curriculum for the new term in line with government advice.

Please contact our school office should you have any further queries.

We look forward to seeing all children back at school for the start of our new term!

Kind regards,

Miss Putterill