

The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We are very excited to welcome the children back and keen for them to see all the changes that have been going on over the holidays and we are very grateful to Mr Alex our site supervisor who has been painting the entire school and overseeing some new window installation which has enabled better ventilation across the school.

I know many of you will be thinking about COVID risk assessments and our latest one is on our website. We would ask all parents to continue to keep up to date with government guidance. We will continue to keep our one way system around school. Children will continue the frequent hand washing routines and we will continue to have staggered breaks and lunchtimes, this was a benefit the children asked to maintain as the playground is less busy at lunch and breaks. Masks can be worn at drop off and pick up this is a personal choice. We realise that a number of our families have CEV family members and may wish to continue wearing their mask at key points in the day when there are large numbers of adults around.

If you, your child or a member of your household test positive or have any COVID-19 symptoms, please continue to follow government guidance and inform the school at your earliest opportunity. <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Whole school assemblies will not resume until at least October half term when we review how the year starts but instead children will participate in phase assemblies, KS1, LKS2, UKS2 and EYFS this will help us to reintroduce some of our old routines gradually.

We would continue to ask children to come to school on their scheduled PE day wearing PE Kit and we have organised a series of forest school sessions for each class over the course of the year which will require consent forms and suitable clothing to be worn.

Year Group	PE Day
Year 6	Tuesday am
RA and 1L	Tuesday pm
Year 4	Wednesday pm
1/2P and 2C	Thursday am
Year 5	Thursday pm
Year 3	Thursday pm

Sports club and lunchtime library sessions will be re-introduced this term.

Breakfast club and after school homework club resume Monday. Please ensure you pre-book via www.schoolgateway.com.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back tomorrow!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Dodds.

Headteacher