



# ST. MARY MAGDALENE

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Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Parent/ Carers of Year 6,

Following our previous correspondence regarding the reopening of schools we would like to share with you the specific details for the return of your child to school. Please read this information alongside the letter we issued on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May as well as our Questions and Answer sheet.

Last night the government proposal of reopening schools was confirmed starting from 1<sup>st</sup> June. We can now confirm we will be open on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June for Year 6 pupils.

It is extremely important to remember that no child displaying symptoms of the virus (or who is living with a member of the household who is displaying symptoms) should be sent to school.

The chart below outlines specific guidance for you and your child regarding their phased return:

	<b>GUIDELINES THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE</b>
YOUR CHILD SHOULD ARRIVE AT SCHOOL AT <b>8.45 am</b> (Please ensure your child arrives as near to this time as possible. We understand that if they use public transport it may be more challenging, but if your child walks to school then please do not allow them to arrive at school earlier. We do not want groups of children waiting outside the school gates.)	Children should enter the school grounds via the gate on Charles Grinling Walk. They will be greeted by members of staff and directed to line up in the MUGA pitch where their 'bubble' teacher will be waiting. The bell will ring at 8:50am and each group will be led to their classrooms. This will be staggered to allow for social distancing.
YOUR CHILD WILL BE TAUGHT IN A 'BUBBLE' OF NO MORE THAN 15 CHILDREN AND 2 ADULTS	Pupils will find out who their teacher will be on Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June. Once they are in a bubble, they will stay in that bubble for the next seven weeks unless Government guidance changes.
OUTDOOR TIME	Your child's bubble will be allocated specific times and areas to spend outside. Please be mindful of the hot weather and ensure your child comes to school with a hat and a full water bottle and is wearing sun screen.
LUNCHTIMES	Your child will be able to have a school lunch (either as a free school meal or as a paid meal). If you prefer, they can bring a packed lunch to school but please note these will be stored in the classroom where your child will be taught. Lunchtimes will be staggered and your child will not be able to sit or play with children from other bubbles.

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WHAT TO BRING TO SCHOOL	Children should not bring anything to school except for a water bottle and hat. They will also need to bring a packed lunch if they are not school dinners. We know many children in Year 6 bring phones to school - please only allow them to bring their phone if they travel on their own. Phones will need to be switched off and then kept safely by your child. For hygiene reasons we will NOT be collecting phones in to look after as usual. Phones brought into school are at the parent's own risk.
SCHOOL UNIFORM	Please send your child to school wearing their school uniform. Pupils should be wearing clothes that are as close to school uniform as possible and practical. This includes wearing suitable footwear for outdoor activities e.g. trainers. If you are having trouble finding uniform that still fits your child please contact our Home School Link Worker who may be able to help. We would recommend washing clothing worn to school every day where possible.
YOUR CHILD WILL LEAVE SCHOOL AT 3PM EXCEPT FOR FRIDAY AT 1PM  (The school is closing early on a Friday to ensure that there is an enhanced clean before the next week. Regular cleaning of rooms and resources will take place throughout the day and after school.)	Your child will be in a bubble of no more than 15 pupils. Children who are in Bubble 6R and 6B will leave via the gates on Charles Grinling Walk. Children who are in Bubble 6S and 6H will leave via the Nursery gate on Kingsman Street. If you are collecting your child, please wait outside the gates following the social distancing guidelines (no parent/carer should enter the school grounds). Children will be dismissed one at a time. The office staff will call you with their Bubble information if your child informs us at morning registration that they are being collected at the end of the day.

You may like to watch the following video with your child to help answer any questions they may have about returning to school:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/education-52842040/coronavirus-we-answer-kids-questions-about-going-back-to-school>

We look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Tuesday, however if you feel uncomfortable about this, please be assured it is your choice as to whether you send your child. There will be no penalties issued if you choose to keep your child at home during this final summer half term.

We do hope you have a good weekend and are able to enjoy some of the good weather.

With best wishes,

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