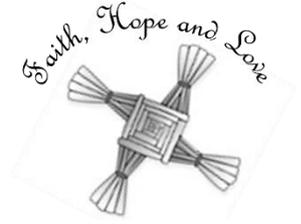




# St Bridget's C of E Primary School

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*"Love your neighbour as yourself."*

*Luke 10:27*

8-7-21

Dear Parents/Carers,

The last few weeks of the summer term have been a challenge in school. We have been tested with a number of classes closing to isolate and a number of staff isolating as a result of this. I know and appreciate the difficulties that this has had on families and households as well. My thanks to everyone who has endured times of isolation and the associated frustrations this has brought. In school we have all met these challenges and have managed to maintain teaching and learning as well as complete some of our usual end of year events such as sports days and leavers services.

## **Covid update for September**

Yesterday the government shared the next steps for schools returning in September. In summary, much of school life is expected to return to normal. Activities such as school trips, drama, music and sports can resume in line with the relaxation of restrictions across society from Step 4. [Link for updated guidance](#). There is also a change in the guidance for isolation which will prevent a whole class from closing when there is a positive case. As a school we will still look to maintain good safety measures which for most of the pandemic have been very effective such as:

- Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
- Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
- Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
- Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

For September we will be adjusting our times as the need for social distancing has been reduced, but we will not entirely revert to the old timings. See below:

## **Changes in School opening and closing times in September**

### **Start of the Day for all pupils**

- 8.50am to 9.05am

### **End of Day**

- Reception, Year 1 and 2 – 3.20pm
- Year 3 and Year 4 – 3.25pm
- Year 5 and Year 6 – 3.30pm



## Key dates (Please check)

### Remaining Inset Days 2021

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### Inset Days 2021-22

Please note there has been a change to the Inset day on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November** due to the Year 6 residential now being able to go ahead on this week and only certain bookings becoming available. Please contact school if you were relying on this date for a holiday or trip.

- Wednesday 1st September 2021
- Friday 22nd October 2021
- **Monday 1st November 2021 changed to Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022**
- Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Friday 27th May 2022

There is an **additional day's holiday** for schools next year to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This will be on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022. School will now finish on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Thank you for your continued support,

*Neil Le Feuvre*

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