



St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to St John's! It has been a fantastic start to the school term. The school is full of children learning, laughing and playing with their friends. The St John's staff team have loved meeting their new classes and they are looking forward to getting to know every child over the course of the year. If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact them via Class Dojo or by emailing the school office.

Drop off and pick up

Thank you to everyone for adhering to the new drop off and pick up time slots and locations. The staggered starts and pick ups have worked well and have helped us to reduce contact between different bubble groups. It is important that children continue to arrive promptly. Late arrivals are disruptive for the child, their class and the staff, they also create an additional risk for transmitting the virus. Reoccurring lateness will be picked up by the leadership team, please speak to the school if you are struggling to get in on time and we will do our best to support you.

School Streets

St John's have been added to the Islington School Streets Scheme. This is a scheme where roads with a school on are temporarily closed to become a pedestrian and cycle zone during the school's opening and closing times. The aim of temporarily closing roads outside schools is to help to reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates, as well as make it easier and safer for children to get to and from school. Please follow the link below to find out more information.

<https://www.islington.gov.uk/environment-and-energy/pollution/air-quality/what-we-are-doing/school-streets/what-are-school-streets>

Breakfast club

Breakfast club will be back up and running from Monday 14th September. As per the letter that went out to parents on Wednesday, all places must be booked in advance via the link sent out by the school office (<https://forms.gle/qzY6id74vHUysBsQ9>). If you are unable to use the link, please call or email the school office. Ruth will be running the breakfast club as before with the assistance of a rotating KS1/ EYFS colleague. All staff will wear personal protective equipment and remain socially distanced from the children and each other.

After school club

After school clubs will start running again the week after next (w/c 21st September). After school club providers will be responsible for their own risk assessments and clubs will be organised by bubble groups. More information about after school clubs will be sent out to parents at the start of next week.





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Parent consultations

The booking platform for parents went live on Wednesday evening. If you have been unable to book a slot, please contact the school office as soon as possible. All consultations will be held virtually. The Zoom link and password for the consultations will be sent to parents via email from Monday 21st September. Please contact the school office if you would prefer your consultation to be held over the telephone rather than via Zoom.

Pupil Medical information and Parent Contact Information

Please update the school office by email if there have been any changes to your child's medical information or to your contact details.

Newsletter

Enjoy looking through the weekly school newsletter where we are able to showcase some of the learning taking place in school.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Tonnie Read

Interim Executive Headteacher

