



St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School

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Friday 5th March 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

There has been much conversation and excitement in school this week, discussing the return of all our children on Monday. We are also well aware that, although all children will be feeling excited, there will also be some anxieties around their return too. The children have not been in school for such a long time now, it is only natural that they may feel unsure or apprehensive about Monday. Please take the time this weekend to talk with your children and give them the space to share their feelings, their memories of school and discuss what they have missed the most. I know that while home schooling has been hard, those of you working from home may also be feeling some sadness that those little faces won't be there at the dinner table, or on the sofa, when you look across on Monday afternoon. Please know that we will be doing our very best to welcome the children back into school life with as much love and support as we can. I speak on behalf of all of the staff when I say we have sorely missed them and can't wait to have them back where they belong.

Updated Safety Measures

After the unfortunate outbreak of the virus in school before Christmas, we have made some changes in the dining area, to help prevent this kind of spread reoccurring in the future. Perspex screens have been added to the serving hatches in the lunch hall. The lunchtime staff remain behind these at all times whilst children are in the hall. Children are now stood one meter away from the serving hatches and the trays from which the food is served. All lunch time staff have both masks and visors to wear in the lunch hall. Tables are cleaned down after each bubble has finished their lunch and left the hall.





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School times

Please see the drop off and pick up times and locations listed below:

Year	Arrival time	Location of drop off and collection	End of day collection
Reception	9.00	Elwood Street (car park entrance)	15.15
Y1	8.45	Elwood Street (car park entrance)	15.25
Y2	8.45	Main front entrance and through the side gate into Year 2 Classroom	15.20
Y3	9.00	Main Gate to Playground	15.30
Y4	9.00	Main Gate to Playground	15.30
Y5	9.00	Maberley Hall	15.30
Y6	9.00	Maberley Hall	15.30

Breakfast Club/After School Clubs

Breakfast club will be open for all children as of next week. You should have received an e-mail with a booking form attached, if you would like your child to attend breakfast club, please complete the form and send it to the school office. We request that you make your bookings a week in advance. After school clubs will return after Easter. On the last week of term, the Office staff will send out the information of which clubs are available, and how to book a place via Parent Pay.





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World Book Day

A reminder that World Book Day will be taking place in school on **Thursday 11th March**. The children can come dressed as a character from their favourite story book, or as a word. Below are some lovely examples from last year; I can't wait to see your wonderful ideas this year!



St John's Messages of Hope Balloon Release

At 2pm on Friday 12th March, as a conclusion to everyone's first week back in school, every child and member of staff of St John's will release messages of hope to the sky. We feel we are living in a time where hope is so important and so we want to share our hopes far and wide. On the messages sent out will be the schools contact details, in which we will be encouraging those who find the balloons to get in touch and contact the school and children. A video and images of the release will be uploaded to the school website and will be included in next weeks newsletter.



Yours faithfully,

Mrs Lindsey Hodgson

Interim Head of School

