



Returning to St Mary's Catholic Primary School



We are very excited to have lots of you back after a very long time away from school. Some of you have not been in school since March so here is a guide to help you understand more about what school will look like when you return.

All of you will be moving in to a new year group when you return, the Year 1 children will come back as Year 2 and the Year 2 children will be moving up to Year 3 and so on. For some of you this may mean that you will have a new teacher and a new classroom.

Getting ready for school

When you are getting ready to return to school you need to make sure that come back in your normal school uniform. You do not need to bring in a PE kit as your teacher will tell you which day you have PE on and you can come to school dressed in your PE kit on those days. Lunch times will be similar to before, you can bring in your own packed lunch or your adult can order a hot dinner with Chartwells. Every day you must bring in a water bottle and your reading book, these should be in your book bag or a small rucksack. For the moment you cannot bring your own pencil case, or anything else from home.



Arriving and leaving



When you get to school, you will come in to the playground through one of the gates, there will be cones and signs showing you where you should go. You cannot play on the playground at the start of the day, you should head straight to your classroom. At the end of the day you adult will be allowed on the playground to collect you. You might start and finish school at different times to sibling or friends in different year groups.

In school



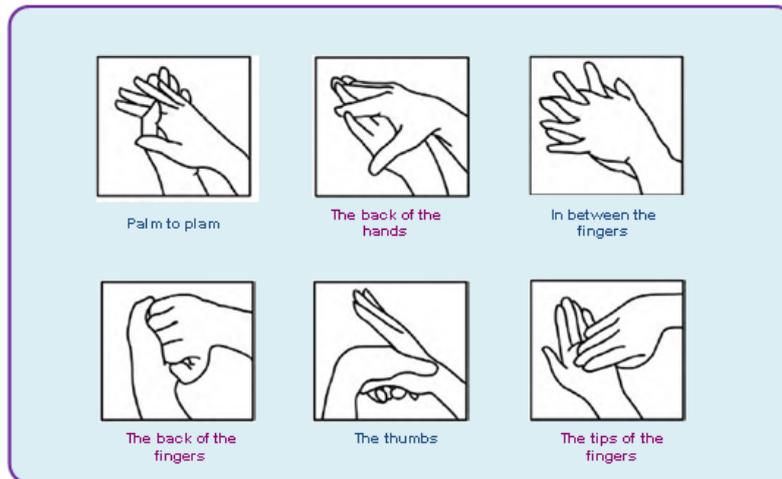
The tables have been moved so you can have lots of space to keep you safe. You will have certain places to sit and equipment you can use. You teacher will explain all of this in the first few days back.

Playtimes and lunchtimes will be at different times to other year groups. You will eat lunch in your bubble with your class friends. Children with packed lunches and children having hot dinners will be eating in different rooms but you will still see your class friends when you go out to play.



Hygiene

The 6 Steps of Hand Washing



Washing hands will be very important when you are at school. You must keep washing your hands for at least 20 seconds. There will be posters next to the sink to remind you how you need to wash your hands.

If you are going to sneeze or cough, you must do this into a tissue then put the tissue in the bin and wash your hands.



Going back to school will be fun. You must try to remember that the changes are to keep you and your friends safe. If you have any worries or questions, you can ask your adult at home or an adult in your class.

