



## ST CHARLES'

VC ACADEMY

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

Dear parents/carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to write to you to expand on the information shared on Wednesday about uniform and the timings for the school day. We're very much looking forward to welcoming back our pupils to would like to give you some specific St Charles' information about this.

As you're likely aware, the government guidance for primary schools, is that restrictions and measures put in place to reduce the risk of transmission, including bubbles and staggered timings are no longer required. As a school, however, we are continuing with some of the systems and process we have put in place last year in order to play out part in reducing any further risks, whilst still transitioning back to a 'normal' school setting to continue the children's learning.

### Attendance

From WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> September, the school day will return to the normal times of **8.45am – 3.15pm.**

School attendance will be mandatory and our usual rules on attendance will apply.

As a reminder:

- All children must attend school unless they are ill.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test), **NOT** a Lateral Flow test.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.
- Children under 18 (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact has Covid. They should take a PCR test and should continue to come to school if they are well and have no symptoms.

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### Our safety measures

Rest assured, we will be continuing to ensure we are doing everything we can to make sure our pupils can return to school safely. We'll be continuing with our protective measure to keep everybody safe including:

#### ➤ Procedures for arrival and collection of children

- Children should be dropped off at their Key Stage playground at the start of the day and collected from the same playground.
- When dropping and collecting children, please do not gather in large groups or block / wait on the main walkways and paths.
- Please continue to respect other peoples space and remain a sensible distance from other families.
- Children only bringing necessary things to school with them e.g. reading book, water bottle, packed lunch if needed and coat.

#### ➤ Measures within school and the classroom to keep children safe

- Continuation of heighten hygiene measures such as hand-washing
- Continuation of good ventilation in classrooms and indoor spaces.

#### ➤ Communication and visitors to school

We are continuing with our previous measures of reducing visitors on school site.

- We ask parent and carers to continue to use telephone and email as their first point of communication with school.
- If attending a pre-booked meeting at school, please continue to wear a mask or face covering and sanitise hands upon entry
- Non-essential external visitors will be reduced in the first instance.

More information on these key measures can be found on the images below.

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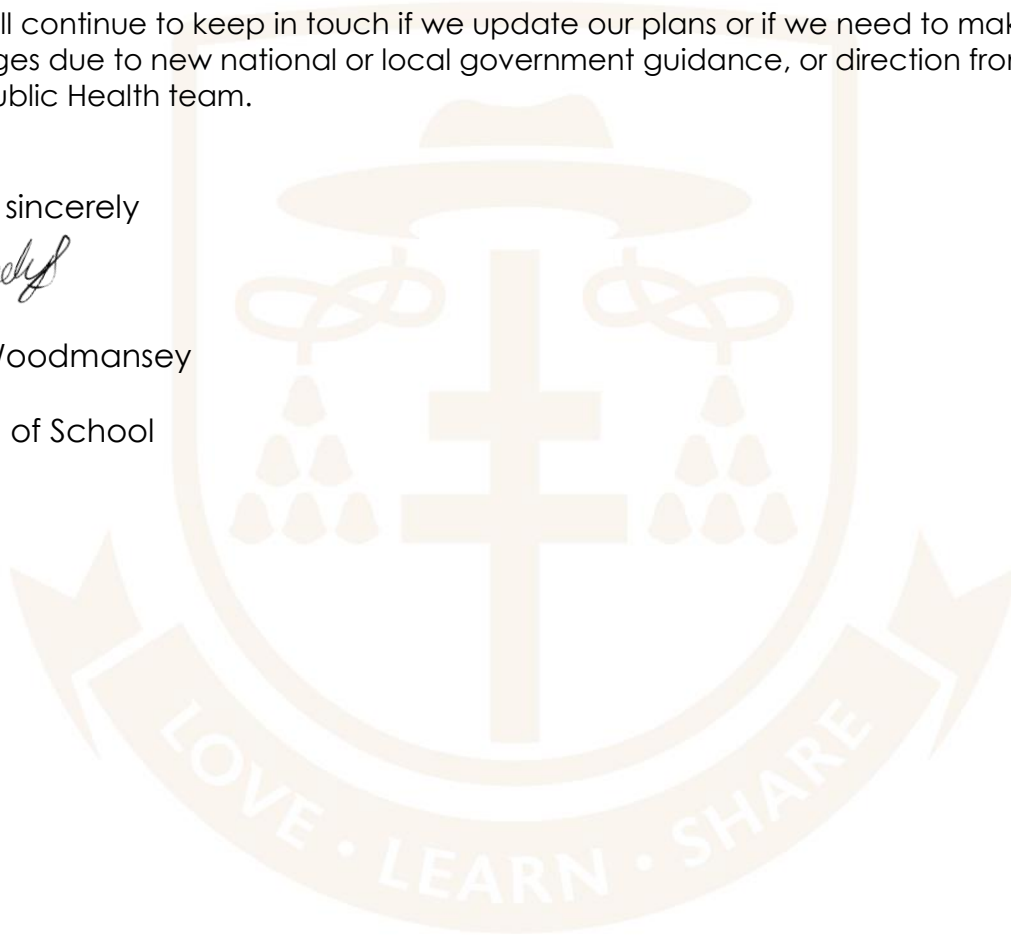
The last 18 months has been a challenging period for all of us, and we'd like to thank you for your continuing support during this difficult and uncertain time. If you or your child have any concerns about returning to school, or if you think your child might need extra support when they return, please get in touch by calling the school office.

We will continue to keep in touch if we update our plans or if we need to make changes due to new national or local government guidance, or direction from Hull Public Health team.

Yours sincerely

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# COMMUNICATION

## Keeping in touch



We will stay in touch through letters, phone calls, twitter, email and text messages. We have developed our risk assessment focused on the safety of our children and staff. We will constantly update this as guidance evolves. Risk assessments can be found on our school website.



## Phone calls

You can call the school office on  
01482 326610



## Email

You can email school at:  
admin@stchull.org

This will then be passed onto the correct member of staff



## Twitter

Up-to-date information can be found on our twitter feed.

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## Website

Up-to-date information including copies of letters as well as a contact form can be found on our school website.

www.stchull.org

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# WHAT YOUR CHILD NEEDS

## A filled water bottle



Your child will need to bring their own water bottle each day - this must be filled with water only. They will take their bottle home each night ready for the next day. Please only fill this with water. No juice or fizzy drinks please



## Packed Lunch

If your child is not a hot school dinner, then you must provide them with a packed lunch. This will be stored safely in their classroom until lunchtime.



## Coat

Please ensure your child brings a suitable coat. Their coat will also be stored in their own storage container under their desks when they are in class.



## Book bag

All children will be given a home reading book which they must place into their home book bag. They must bring this each day along with their reading log book.



## PE Kits

Following the success of this last year, on the days your child does PE, your child must come to school in their PE kit.

They will stay in their PE kit throughout the day. During the colder months, they can wear plain black tracksuits/jogging suits and a plain black jumper/hoodie.

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# HANDWASHING

## Key Times of the day for handwashing

To help reduce the risk within school, additional hand washing will continue. Children and adults will wash their hands at key times during the day, particularly when they change rooms or move around school.



### Arriving at and entering School

Hand sanitisers are available at all entry points to school with several additional sanitising units in the playgrounds.



### Playtime

Children should sanitiser or wash their hands before going to and returning for playtime.



### Lunchtime.

At Lunchtime, children should wash their hands with soap and water. If children go to play before their lunch when they come into the hall they must use the sanitiser on the wall as they enter the hall and after eating when they leave the hall.



### Returning to class after Lunchtime.

After Lunchtime, children should wash their hand with soap and water.



### Leaving and exiting School

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