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NEWSLETTER

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Summer break. A big warm welcome to our new Reception children. Everyone at St George's is looking forward to welcoming all the children at school from Monday after such a long spell of uncertainty following the Covid 19 outbreak.

The staff and I have worked tirelessly to prepare a comforting environment for all our pupils, many of whom may feel a degree of anxiety and worry over their return to school.

We realise that the children will need a reassuring start to this new academic year and the staff will endeavour to meet the needs of each and every child.

I have a duty of care for all our stakeholders including staff, parents, governors and of course the children.

With this in mind, I hope you have all read the Covid Risk Assessment alongside the important information on our school website.

All the relevant documents regarding Covid Safety, the Risk Assessments and timetables of drop off and collection points and times were on the website from the end of last term.

I felt it prudent to remind parents of a few facts regarding school start on Monday. From now on, most of our communication will be via email instead of texts. Please ensure that you check your email regularly.

Other reminders:

- Please can children bring minimal resources to school. A small bag and pencil case with essential items only, a lunch box and water bottle is permitted.
- P.E. kit may be worn in school on the long P.E. session during one day in the week (tracksuit in winter).
- 1 parent of designated person to drop children off.
- Thermometer checks on entry will continue as before.
- Parents will be unable to enter school therefore please email or phone if you need help/advice.
- Attendance is compulsory from September 2020.
- If a child needs to take medication, please telephone the office for the procedure.
- A variation to the drop off and collection for Class 2B only – from the small hall door – follow the path from the usual door left to the small hall.
- Please adhere to social distancing whilst dropping off and collecting children.
- Follow the one-way guidance on the Key Stage One Playground.
- There is no Breakfast or After School Clubs until further notice to avoid cross contamination across class bubbles. This is a general ruling across the UK providers, hence the difficulty some parents may be experiencing.

Please know that I take my role as Headteacher very seriously when looking after your child's safety alongside my staff team.

I have been impressed with the level of care, compassion and preparations made by my staff to ensure that your child is kept safe, happy and confident to start full time school life.

If any parents feel they need additional help or reassurance, please do not hesitate in contacting me via my PA – Mrs Hughes by email or telephone and she will make arrangements for me to liaise with you.

My very safe and best wishes.

Mrs J Luxon

