

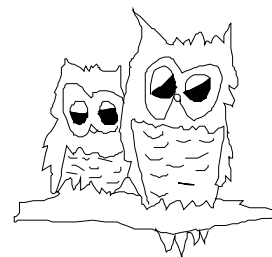
# St. Oswald's

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Dear parents/carers

We are all looking forward to the children returning on Monday - it will feel like a proper school again! The staff have worked very hard to make the school look lovely and I hope the children will enjoy the changes we have made. I know some children may be feeling a little nervous and there may be some concerns with keeping safe. Can I reassure you that we have made the school as Covid secure as possible, alongside making the school environment feel as 'normal' as we can. I can also reassure you that the staff are taking lateral flow tests twice a week.

## Chrome books

Please can all children bring their Chromebooks back to school with them on Monday. If you have some headphones that your child could bring into school that would really help (we are currently waiting for delivery of an order of headphones).

## PE

Please can your child wear PE kits on their PE day and not uniform.

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| Monday    | Class 4 |
| Tuesday   | Class 3 |
| Wednesday | Class 2 |
| Thursday  | Class 1 |

## Snacks

Please can children only bring healthy snacks into school. We are happy with fruit/veg or fruit bars but please don't bring in chocolate bars, cakes and crisps.

Children will also need a drinks bottle with their name clearly marked.

## Public Health Update

There have been some changes made to the guidance by Public Health as follows:

Infectious period prior to onset of symptoms/test now 2 days (rather than 48 hours) Public Health England have updated their guidance and the infectious period will now always be calculated as the 2 days prior to onset of symptoms (or positive test if person is asymptomatic), rather than 48 hours.

New guidance reads:



A person is thought to be infectious from two days before symptoms appear, and up to ten days after they start displaying symptoms. The onset of infectious period is counted from the morning of the 2 days before the date of onset of symptoms and not 48 hours from the time of onset of symptoms.

If a child or member of staff shows symptoms of COVID-19 (a new continuous cough, a temperature or a change to/loss of sense of taste and smell) they should get a PCR test as soon as possible (please do not use lateral flow tests in an individual who has symptoms). The entire household should stay at home until the test result is known. In addition, if any of staff or children in a setting test positive for COVID-19, please be aware that public health may advise others in the same setting get tested and isolate if they experience other symptoms including: headache, diarrhoea, severe fatigue and sore throat. The setting should let all parents and carers know immediately if this advice is given.

### **Music**

Keyboard lessons will be resuming on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March and guitar lessons on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Class 4 are also going to start their whole class guitar lessons as usual. Measures are being implemented to ensure these lessons are as safe as possible.

### **Red Nose Day**

Red Nose Day is taking place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March, it will be a lovely way to connect again as a school community.

### **Reminder – Start of the day**

Children will continue to use the same entrances. Parents will still not be able to enter the school building but staff will continue to be outside to welcome the children. Please can you drop older children off first and younger children second.

If you need to talk to a member of staff please come to the porch or contact Jenny in the office by phone or email.

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|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| EYFS, Class 1 | Red door in car park        | 8.55-9.10 |
| Class 2       | Green gate on Howgill Close | 8.50-9.00 |
| Class 3       | Brown gate car park         | 8.45-9.00 |
| Class 4       | Kissing gate.               | 8.45-9.00 |

Children will still need their temperature to be taken at their gate. (Staff will wear a mask). If a child has a high temperature they will be sent home with their parent or sent to the porch if in Class 4.

Children will sanitise their hands as they enter the school. C2, 3 & 4 will use their normal doors.

### **Reminder - End of the day**

Please can we ask that the younger children are picked up first.

Can I remind you that we are unable to send children with other parents unless we have been told in the office. Just drop us an email with the details of who can pick up.



If you have a child in class 4 and you wish your child to start walking home on their own please can you let us know.

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| EYFS, Class 1 | Red door in car park        | 3.00 – 3.10 |
| Class 2       | Green gate on Howgill Close | 3.10 – 3.15 |
| Class 3       | Brown gate car park         | 3.15        |
| Class 4       | Kissing gate.               | 3.15        |

### After School Clubs

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| R.Y1 & 2 | EYFS room     | Pick up red door     |
| Y3,4,5&6 | Activity room | Pick up at the porch |

Both Breakfast and After School Club provision will be at the usual times from 8am with breakfast or 8:30am without and from the end of school times up to 5:00pm run by staff within each bubble.

Pupils will attend these clubs as usual in their own bubble.

Places are limited so please could you let us know if you don't need your place so we can offer it to someone else.

