



CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a good Summer holiday. Welcome to all our new families starting at Christ the Saviour this term. We look forward to meeting you and helping you and your child settle into our wonderful school community. We are extremely pleased to be making plans for **all** pupils to return to school next week! The back to school arrangements that I shared with you in my letter of 13th July remain in place and I am writing to remind you of these plans and to give you further information about our new routines.

Relationships, Routines and Behaviour

We will spend the first two days back at school re-establishing relationships and teaching children about our new routines and behaviour expectations. Our new Behaviour Rules are as follows:

- Be Safe
- Be Kind
- Be an Active Learner

As is usual at the beginning of a new school year, we will be explicit about what behaviours we expect to see and what routines will become the norm. You might like to support your child by asking them questions about these routines and behaviour expectations. For example, how do you keep safe in your classroom at lunchtime? How can you show your friends and teachers that you are kind? What does it mean to be an active learner in your year group? As with all new routines and rules they will take a while to embed, however we know that children enjoy routines and consistency and we shall spend some time at the beginning of term learning these.

Attendance

School attendance in September will be compulsory for all pupils. If your child is absent from school please email the school office to let us know the reason for their absence. A new attendance code has been introduced to record non-attendance due to coronavirus (Covid-19) in the attendance register for 2020/2021. Although attendance is compulsory for those of statutory school age from the start of the Autumn Term, there may be circumstances where pupils cannot attend school due to coronavirus for example, if they are required to self-isolate. This new category will **not** count as an absence. Examples in which 'not attending in circumstances related to coronavirus' could apply:

- Pupils who are required to self-isolate as they, or a member of their household, has symptoms or confirmed coronavirus.
- Pupils who are required to self-isolate because **they are a close contact** of someone who has symptoms or confirmed coronavirus.
- Pupils who are required by legislation to self-isolate as part of a period of **quarantine** (for example pupils returning from France, Croatia or other countries on the quarantine list.)
- Pupils who are clinically extremely vulnerable in a future lockdown scenario only.

Pupils who are self-isolating in circumstances related to coronavirus and are **not unwell** will be given work to complete at home in line with our blended learning programme. This will start for pupils who are absent from school from Monday 7th September.

Covid-19 risk assessment

We have continued to revisit and update our covid-19 risk assessment to consider the risks and control measures to enable a return to full capacity. We have chosen to keep our bubbles to groups of 30,

rather than year group bubbles, because we are trying to reduce the risks associated with an outbreak across the school and the educational impact of such an outbreak. As we come towards winter we ask parents to support the school's preventative measures and to keep their child off school if they have any symptoms compatible with coronavirus such as a new, continuous cough, a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in their normal sense of taste or smell. If children present with such symptoms at school parents will be notified immediately and we shall ask you to collect your child (and any siblings) and arrange for a test. If the test is negative your child (and siblings) can return to school if they are well. If the test is positive you should follow the stay at home guidance and continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of your child's symptoms. Other members of the household should continue to self-isolate for 14 days.

School will contact the local health protection team if someone who has attended school (pupil, staff, parent or educational visitor) has tested positive. We will follow their advice and provide information on close contacts of the infected person - this is why we need to reduce the contacts within the school setting and we ask parents to do the same outside school within reason. We will notify parents if there has been a positive test in your child's class. We will **not** notify parents every time a child leaves school with symptoms as this is likely to increase as we approach winter.

Staggered drop off and collection

The timetable below shows what time parents should drop off and collect their child at school. This information can also be found on the school website under the section "Our School Day." We have been encouraged to operate staggered drop off and collection times to minimise crowding outside school. Please support us in dropping and collecting your child swiftly and on time. We know that the beginning of term is an anxious time for many pupils and parents - particularly as we all learn new routines - but there is not time at the beginning of the day to communicate with teachers. Staff will respond to all parents' emails promptly and we encourage this as the safest and most effective means of communication. Staff will always be happy to arrange a telephone conversation, online meeting or a face to face meeting at a convenient time but these must be arranged in advance please.

Time	Grove Back Gate	Grove Front Gate	Broadway Main Gate	Broadway Church Yard Gate
Drop off: 8:30 - 8:45am Collection: 3:00-3:15pm	Year 1	Beech and Oak	Year 6	Year 4
Drop off: 8:45 - 9:00am Collection: 3:15-3:30pm	Year 2	Elm and Ash	Year 5	Year 3

Year 3 first day back

To support our Year 3 pupils' first day at the Broadway Site we have arranged the following times for parents to meet the class teacher in the playground as their class lines up.

3OC: 8.45 - 9.00am

3NO: 9.00-9.15am

3LY: 9.15- 9.30am

3CA: 9.30- 9.45am

If you are unable to bring your child at this later time on the first day please drop them at school between 8.45-9.00am as previously arranged and they can come straight in to school with a member of the Year 3 team and then join their class in the playground.

Specialist Curriculum including PE

We are pleased that children will return to school to a broad and balanced curriculum including lessons with many of our specialist teachers such as PE, Art, Music and French. We believe that many of these lessons support pupils' emotional literacy and the therapeutic needs they may present after an extended

period away from school. We have arranged the timetable so classes have shorter and more regular PE lessons this year and classes will have PE on two different days in the week. To ensure children maximise their PE time we would like pupils to come to school in their PE kits. Pupils should have a school branded house coloured t-shirt or sweatshirt and non-branded black tracksuit bottoms with plain black or white trainers. Hooded tops or branded sports wear will not be permitted. PE days will be listed on the Year group pages of the website before the beginning of term.

Uniform

We shall resume our full school uniform from the beginning of term and the regulation uniform list can be found on our school website including the correct footwear.

Medical

Our medical staff will need to support our drop off and collection routines at the beginning and end of the day and will therefore not be available to collect pupils' medication directly from parents. If your child has regular medication or a short course of medication, such as an antibiotic, we ask parents to email the medical team at least the day before to share this information with the medical staff.

Medicines should be sent to school in your child's book bag and you will receive an email or phone call from the medical team to let you know this has been safely retrieved from their bag. Please do not email the class teachers about medication as they are not permitted to administer medicines. All communication should be through the medical staff.

Broadway Site: Karen Halliwell halliwell@cts-school.org

Grove Site: Joan Ashoo ashoo@cts-school.org

Lunch

Please find attached a copy of our Autumn hot packed lunch menu. The cost of a meal for children in Year 3 and above remains at £2.40. Parents should pay for a school meal in advance via Parentpay. As our water fountains remain out of use we strongly encourage parents to provide their child with a **named water bottle** - this should have a sports cap. CtS water bottles can be purchased on ParentPay for £3 and sent home with your child. This money will go to our fantastic PTA. Some parents may choose to send their child to school with their own **hand sanitizer** in their pocket. This is not expected as children will wash their hands before and after lunch as well as regularly throughout the day, however if children are able to independently use their own hand sanitizer they may do so.

Transport

We hope that our staggered drop off and collection times will reduce traffic congestion outside the school. Children must be dropped off by an adult and we urge parents to choose safe parking if they need to drive.

Breakfast Club

A reminder that our breakfast club will not start until Monday 7th September. Breakfast club will operate on both sites from 8am - 8.45am each day and parents must book the session in advance via ParentPay - we are no longer able to offer an ad hoc service. The booking should be made by 3.30pm the previous day. Grove Site breakfast club will enter through the Grove Site front gate. Broadway site will be through the main entrance. Last entry will be at 8.25am.

We are really excited to see you all next week.

Very best wishes,



Katie Tramoni
Headteacher