‘CHECK IN, CATCH UP AND PREPARE’

A brief guide to your child’s return from Monday 29th June

From Monday 29th June, you and your child(ren) will be welcomed back to school with a smile. Our staff will be doing everything we can to ensure that ‘Check In, Catch Up and Prepare’ is a safe, fun, positive and happy experience for your child. As always, St Joseph’s will be an environment in which we can all ‘Grow in Love’.

When will my child come to school?

Your child will attend school for one day a week. Your child will attend on the same day each week, for four weeks. They will be given one of three staggered **start times - 9.15am, 9.30am and 9.45am** and one of three staggered **collection times – 2.15pm, 2.30pm and 2.45pm.** These will also remain the same for each of the four weeks. Days and times will be issued as soon as possible. We will try to put your child with friends.

What will happen at drop-off and collection?

Your child will be dropped off and collected at one of three entrances at the agreed time.

- Reception Children – Nursery Gate (by the church)
- Year 1 and 2 – Lower Front Yard Gate
- Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – Driveway Gate

Children will be greeted by a member of staff and, as long as social distancing guidelines are being adhered to, there should be the opportunity to pass messages between staff and parents at drop-off and collection.

To avoid congestion we request that those families travelling to school by car, park in the following areas.

- Reception – Conwy Road
- Years 1 and 2 – Lower Brackley Avenue
- Years 3 and 4 – Upper Brackley Avenue
- Years 5 and 6 – Lansdowne Road

Parents/carers MUST avoid congregating near the entrances to school and social distancing should be observed at all times.

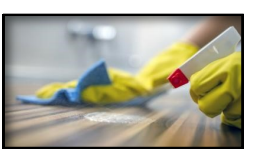
How will you keep my child safe?

Children will be in groups of six children who will not mix with other groups of learners. We will be trying to maintain social distancing between children and staff, at all times.

Everyone will wash their hands…

- On arrival and before leaving school
- Before and after eating
- Before and after using any shared equipment

Pupils will be provided with their own set of essential resources, which will not be shared with other pupils. Any shared resources will be cleaned after use.



High contact surfaces will be cleaned throughout the day and a thorough cleaning regime will be in operation each evening.

Any child displaying key symptoms (or with a family member displaying key symptoms) will not be allowed to attend the site. Any child developing symptoms whilst on site will be sent home immediately and kept separate from other children until collected by parents/carers.

Movement around the school will be minimised. Where corridors have to be used, they will be clearly marked for pupils to travel on the left.

Only one child will access any toilet block at a one time.

Whenever possible windows and doors will be open to increase ventilation.

What will the classroom look like?

There will be six pupils in a class. In all classrooms, except Reception, there will be six tables, with six chairs spaced 2m apart, as far as is physically possible. All non-essential classroom equipment and furniture will be either removed or covered up.

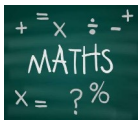
What about uniform?

Uniform will be optional. Children should wear comfortable clothes suitable for playing and working in the outdoors. They should also have a coat if there is any threat of rain or cold weather. Please do not make any unnecessary purchases of uniform or footwear before the summer.

What will they be doing?

Children will come to school to 'Check In, Catch Up and Prepare'. In our school this will mean your child can expect the following activities

- Prayers and Class Worship at the usual times of day
- A review of the work they have been doing at home
- Basic skills work in Maths and English
- 'Come and See' work
- Wellbeing activities
- Creative and physical activities
- Preparation for the next set of home learning activities



What about playtimes and lunchtime?

We will be maximising the use of the outdoors both for play and learning. There will be staggered playtimes and timetabled use of available spaces, including Rydal field. Structured and unstructured play will be encouraged along social distancing guidelines, wherever possible.

Pupils should bring their own packed lunch and a water bottle, which can be refilled in school, if required. Lunches will either be eaten in the classroom or outside, if weather allows.

What if I am a critical worker?

child care

Children of critical workers will continue to be able to access existing Childcare provision, as well as the 'Check In, Catch Up and Prepare' offer for all pupils. However, the Childcare has moved to the hall. Childcare at St Joseph's will finish on Friday 24th July.

To access Childcare you must be registered with Conwy and use our Booking Form (click below)

http://www.santjoseph.conwy.sch.uk/gofal-plantchildcare.html

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Finally, please visit the new section on the school website to see answers to other frequently asked questions, as they arise.

Also, for quick answers to any questions not covered so far (big or small), please ask below the latest video on the school Facebook Page.