



June 2020

Dear Parents and carers,

Re: St Francis' Primary School and Nursery Class - Plan for August

Over the past few months, we have tried to make plans to ensure the safe return to school for all your children. You will see on the Website, a Recovery Plan Document which has been written to support the return to our school for children and staff.

As a Senior Leadership Team (SLT), we have carried out a Risk Assessment which is based on current government and local guidance. I am very aware that everything we are doing is subject to potential change depending on what our government advice is like in August. We are all committed to working responsively and taking guidance from Maureen McKenna over the coming weeks and months. I can assure you that I will try my very best to keep you informed of any important changes should these occur. I met with our Chairperson and Vice Chair of PTG on Wednesday to discuss the plans and answer questions.

As of today, 19th June 2020, I can confirm the following guidance for St Francis' Families (Primary School):

- 💡 In your child's Report card envelope, there will be a slip indicating the teacher for next session. There will also be information on whether they will attend as part of Group A or Group B. **Group A days are Monday/Tuesday and Group B Thursday/Friday.** However on the first week back, the school will be open to children from **Wednesday 12th August when the Group A children will attend for one day.** Group B children will return on 13th August.
- 💡 Class groupings will be between 8 and 15 depending on various factors and available spaces. We are working on 2 metres social distancing. This may change.
- 💡 Hand washing will be built in to daily routine.
- 💡 Hand sanitizers will be in place in some common areas.
- 💡 Posters and signage have been ordered and will be in place to assist distancing and moving around the school.
- 💡 Cloakrooms will not be used, bags and jackets on seats.
- 💡 All stationary required will be supplied by the school and your child will have a little pack. Please don't send in pencil cases.
- 💡 Lunches will be staggered but lunches need to be kept in school bags to avoid complication. Free school meals will be issued as appropriate by kitchen staff if this applies to your children.
- 💡 We are expecting children to wear school uniform as per usual. We don't want any families to have additional expense. No need to purchase any additional clothing for Outdoor Learning or PE. The usual casual clothes will be fine.
- 💡 There will be a strong focus on Literacy/Numeracy/Health and Wellbeing and your children will learn through a creative approach and for Term One, we will have a whole school focus on a Social Subjects Framework with a Scottish context. I will have more information in August about the Blended Learning Approach to share with you and how this will look.

Kind Regards

Mrs J Martin

Head Teacher (acting)