Dear Parents

I am delighted to be welcoming our children back to All Saints at long last! I know that this may be an anxious time for children and families and hope the following information will relieve some of the uncertainties you may have.

Please remember that the safety of our school community is a key priority at all times and decisions have been made in line with Scottish Government and local authority guidelines and advice. We endeavour to ensure a smooth and safe transition back to full time education through a **phased return.**

**Phased Return 12th, 13th & 14th August**

Before the summer break your child was allocated to either Group A or Group B. These groupings were organised to ensure siblings attended on the same days. These groupings will only apply for the transition back to school on Thursday 13th August and Friday 14th August.

Should you not remember your child’s group please contact our school office on the In-Service day, Tuesday 11th August.

**From week beginning Monday 17th August, all children should attend school full time.**

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| Mon 10th August | **HOLIDAY** |
| Tues 11th August | **IN-SERVICE DAY FOR STAFF**  Mrs McAvoy or Mrs Cushnahan will contact parents of those pupils with Additional Support Needs who may require a visit to school. |
| Wed 12th August | **P1A 9:30 – 2:30**  **P1B 10am – 3pm**  **ASN transition visits** |
| Thurs 13th August | **All P1 pupils 9:30am – 3pm**  **Group A pupils 9am – 3pm** |
| Fri 14th August | **All P1 pupils 9:30am – 3pm**  **Group B pupils 9am – 3pm** |
| Mon 17th August | **All children return to full time education** |

**Risk Management**

As you are aware we must remain vigilant and continue to manage the risks of Covid-19. We will continue to ensure the key Covid-19 secure personal hygiene measures are in place and practised to minimise the risk of infection. These measures will be discussed and reinforced throughout the school day with all our children. Signage throughout the school will support this. We have also introduced new hand hygiene stations at pupil entry points and continue with regular intervals for hand sanitisation across each day. We have ensured each child has access to the stationery which he/she will require. Children can bring their own bag and pencil case but will not be allowed to share their resources. N.B. Toys, library books etc cannot be brought to school for the time being.

**Uniform**

Children may wear a ‘relaxed’ uniform option of polo shirt, school sweatshirt/cardigan and tracksuit/jogging bottoms or leggings. This is optional and decision is parental choice. No football colours or strips.

**Morning Break/Lunches**

To ensure pupil safety we will have a system of staggered breaks and lunches for class groups across our school. This will ensure pupils have plenty space to play and minimise large groups congregating and/or entering and exiting the building.

Our catering service will provide a hot and cold lunch options which will be delivered to each class. Packed lunches will also be eaten within class prior to pupils enjoying their break outside.

**Pupil Entry/Exit**

To avoid congestion we will have a ‘relaxed entry’ system from 8:45 am daily. Pupils should enter the building via the designated entry below and make their way directly to their classroom where they should hand sanitise and sit at the desk allocated to them by their class teacher on their first day back at All Saints. Please see table below with entry/exit points for all classes.

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| **Class** | **Entry/Exit to Building** | **Entry** | **Exit** |
| P1 | Infant playground – enter via classroom door | 8:50 | 2:50 |
| P2 | Infant playground – enter via classroom door | 9:00 | 3:00 |
| P3 | Upper playground – corridor/cloakroom door next to stairs furthest away from Football pitch. | 8:50 | 2:50 |
| P4 | Upper playground – enter via classroom door | 9:00 | 3:00 |
| P5 | Upper playground - enter via classroom door | 9:00 | 3:00 |
| P6 | Upper playground – corridor/cloakroom door nearest Football pitch. | 9:00 | 3:00 |
| P7 | Entry to dining hall from amphitheatre door | 9:00 | 3:00 |

Siblings should arrive/depart at same time.

**N.B. Support staff and senior leadership team will supervise classes, entry points and playground from 8:45am.**

**There will be no entry to playground or building before 8:45am. In the interests of safety, adults will not be permitted to congregate in playgrounds or enter building without prior appointment.**

**Parents of P1 – P3 pupils should arrive at appropriate playground, standing along perimeter fence or playground edge, for prompt collection time as detailed in above table and leave immediately.**

**Please ensure your child arrives on time for school – entry points will be closed promptly at above times. In the event that your child is late please ensure he/she enters the building safely via our reception where they will await management to escort them to class. In the interests of safety, adults are not permitted to enter the building.**

Please remember that the above information may change at short notice and I would ask you to remain patient whilst we all get used to this new way of working and learning.

Yours sincerely

Lorraine Fisher

Head Teacher