

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Principal: Mrs C van Vliet

Wednesday 15th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Full Opening from September 2020

We are delighted that we will be welcoming back all children to Our Lady of Fatima's Primary School in September. I would like to thank staff, parents, children, the Academy Committee and the Board of Directors for all their hard work and support during these very challenging times. It certainly has not been the school year we planned for! It is such a shame that Year 6 did not finish their time at school in the way we would have hoped, but I wish them all the best in all they do in the future and thank them for being such an amazing year group.

You will have received a letter from Mrs Horan on behalf of the Board of Directors with information about the logistics of the full opening of school from September. This letter details specific information for Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School.

September 2020

Our Lady of Fatima School intends to fully open from Tuesday 1st September 2020 and the arrangements for this transition are as follows:

Tuesday 1st September 2020 Staff Training Day Wednesday 2nd September 2020 Staff Training Day

Thursday 3rd September 2020 Years 1- 6 return to school

Reception children -

Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September 2020 – 25minute (group of 5) transition meeting with Reception staff (separate details to follow).

Monday 7th September – Thursday 17th September Morning / afternoon sessions for Reception children

Friday 18th September Reception in school full time

What are the start and finish times and what entrance will we use?

We ask that parents maintain social distancing and not gather in groups. Please follow the markings and signage when moving around the school site. Only one parent is allowed to drop off / pick up their child. Please note that the start and finish times for the first two weeks for Reception have been altered slightly from the information shared in the recent presentation. However, the staggered start and finish times will be reviewed regularly.

Drop off / Beginning of School Day:

Class	Time	Entrance to use	Entrance / exit to school grounds
Reception A	8:45 – 8:55	Reception Fire Escape	Hannah's Way
Reception B	12:30 – 12:40	Reception Fire Escape	Hannah's Way
Year 1	8:45 – 8:55	Year 1 Fire Escape	Word Hill
Year 2	8:45 – 8:55	Year 2 Fire Escape (Via Netball Court)	Main School Entrance





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Year 3	8:55 – 9:05	Year 3 Fire Escape	Main School Entrance
Year 5	8:55 – 9:05	Year 5 Fire Escape	Hannah's Way or
			Word Hill
Year 4	9:05 – 9:15	KS2 Main Entrance	Main School Entrance
Year 6	9:05 – 9:15	Year 6 Fire Escape	Hannah's Way or
			Word Hill

Pick up / End of Day:

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Class	Time	Exit to use	Suggest entrance / exit to school grounds
Reception A	11:15 – 11:25	Reception Fire Escape	Hannah's Way
Reception B	3:00 – 3:10	Reception Fire Escape	Hannah's Way
Year 1	3:00 – 3:10	Year 1 Fire Escape	Word Hill
Year 2	3:00 – 3:10	Year 2 Fire Escape (Via Netball Court)	Main School Entrance
Year 3	3:15 – 3:25	Year 3 Fire Escape	Main School Entrance
Year 5	3:15 – 3:25	Year 5 Fire Escape	Hannah's Way or Word Hill
Year 4	3:30	KS2 Main Entrance	Main School Entrance
Year 6	3:30	Year 6 Fire Escape	Hannah's Way or Word Hill

Will the kitchen be open?

We are planning for the kitchen to be open and provide school dinners. Universal Infant Free School Meals will still be provided for all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children. There will be provision for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to have hot school dinners – or they can bring in a packed lunch from home if they wish.

What will we need to bring to school?

Children must bring in a full water bottle.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will need to bring in a small pencil case (pen, pencil, rubber, ruler, sharpener and pencil crayons) which will be kept on their table.

Reception, Years 1 and 2 will be provided with stationery.

Children can bring in a small bag if necessary.

All children need to wear full school uniform.

On the days children have PE lessons children will need to come into school in their PE kits (and a tracksuit).





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How will I make contact with school?

Please phone the school office to make an appointment.

What will my children be learning?

The children's well-being is paramount. We will be focusing on PSHE activities (including The Blurt Project). There will be a core focus on English and Maths in the morning and other subjects planned within the afternoons. We will review this at half term.

Will there be any trips?

At present there are no educational visits planned before half term. We will continue to review this.

Will there be before and after school clubs?

The Before and After School Club will be resuming its normal service from September. To find full details on the BASCs opening hours and charges please see the school website. All booking enquiries can be sent to basc@olfatima.bham.sch.uk.

What should we do if there is any infection?

We must engage with the NHS Track and Trace process. Please let us know straight away if your child has a new continuous cough, a high temperature or loss of taste and smell. Arrange for a test straight away and let us know the results as soon as you have them. If bubbles, or the whole school, closes, there will be access to remote learning.

I hope you have a wonderful summer and we look forward to welcoming your children back to Our Lady of Fatima's in September.

Yours sincerely,



Acting Executive Head teacher

