

Dear parents/carers,

Wednesday 15th July 2020

We are delighted to announce that, following recent government guidance, school will <u>reopen fully in September</u>. The staff of St Vincent's are so looking forward to welcoming all our children back to school on **Wednesday 9th September**, when the attendance of all children becomes compulsory once more. We would like to reassure you that we have plans in place to ensure a happy return for all children, whilst following government guidelines.

These are:

- 1. Staggered start and finish times (see more information below)
- 2. A one-way system onto the school site entering through the pedestrian gate to drop your child/ren at the designated drop off point and leave via the field gate
- 3. Designated entry and exit points for each 'phase bubble'
- 4. Regular washing of hands and use of hand sanitiser.
- 5. All children will have a deep tray to put their belongings from home into (packed lunches, coats, water bottle, hand sanitiser).
- 6. All children will have a shallow tray for their personal classroom equipment (pen, pencil, scissors, books, maths equipment etc).
- 7. Increased cleaning of the communal areas in school during the day (e.g. toilets, dining hall, door handles).
- 8. Staggered lunchtimes and break times to ensure children mix predominately within their 'phase bubble.'

Staggered start and finish times:

<u>Group A:</u> Any sibling groups (brothers and sisters from the same family) within school. It will also include all of Years 5 and 6.

Start: **8.45am** Finish: **3.15pm**

<u>Group B:</u> All pupils in **EYFS, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4** who DO NOT have a brother or sister in school.

Start: 9.00am Finish 3.30pm

To limit the numbers of people on the school site and reduce congestion, it is really important that you arrive at the correct time for your child/ren.

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Designated entrance and exit points for all pupils and waiting zones for parents/carers:

EYFS - will use the Queens Road entrance, bringing the children through to the EYFS playground entrance. Parents / carers will leave via the designated EYFS exit then through the field gate. (Times will be different in the first two weeks of transition, further communication to follow)

Years 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 will use the Queens Road entrance. Pupils will line up at the designated points on the playground and enter through the KS2 door. Parents will leave via the field gate.

At end of the day

Children can be collected from their designated pick up points **Group A** 3:15

Group B 3:30

During this time, we will be unable to accommodate people at the school office. We therefore ask that you ring the **school office on 342645** or email admin@stvhull.org if have any questions or need any additional support; our office staff will get back to promptly.

Other important information for September:

- ❖ Breakfast club will begin again, starting at 8.00am, on Wednesday 9th September
- ❖ Afterschool provision will be available from Wednesday 9th September.
 Please ensure that you book your places for the week by the Thursday of the week before.
- ❖ All children will be required to wear their school uniform which MUST be named. Please ensure they are wearing clean fresh uniform daily. Black school shoes will also be required.
- Children will need to bring their own clearly labelled water bottle. This needs to be filled with plain water (not juice) before school as we will not be able to share equipment and, for hygiene purposes, need to keep sink areas clear where possible.
- Children will still need a PE kit and will attend school in their PE kit on the day that they have PE – further information about the days will be given in September.

We feel certain that these rigorous systems, together with a continuation of your invaluable support, we can ensure all children return safely back to school, where they can enjoy learning and playing with our wonderful school family.

As we have all learnt over the last few months, these plans are subject to change, depending on the advice of the Government. We will of course, keep you informed.

In the meantime, stay safe and enjoy the summer holidays.

The staff of St Vincent's VC Academy