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3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

Dear Parent

### **8<sup>th</sup> March Return to School**

Welcome back!

We have reviewed our risk assessment and will continue the entering and leaving school as it was before this latest lockdown.

1] **Start of school day** – ALL children to arrive in school for 8.43 am where they will go straight into their classrooms. The gates will be open from 8:30. The school learning day begins at 8:45.

2] **End of day** - will continue to be staggered to prevent build up and congestions. As before, the oldest children will leave with their younger siblings at the time that relates to the youngest child in the family as follows:

15:10	Reception
15:15	Y1
15:20	Y2
15:25	Y3
15:30	Y4
15:35	Y5
15:40	Y6

### **3] System of Control – Prevention**

All adults on the premises should wear a face mask; adults in school to wear face masks in all public areas and in class if they so choose; space will be retained and bubbles kept as discreet as possible; ventilation will be promoted in all working areas; hands washed (or sanitised if applicable) before and after entering classrooms/dining room etc; resources and equipment will be wiped frequently. We will adhere to hands/face/space. Please support us and do not congregate on our premises, thank you.

### **4] System of Control – Response to any infection**

Covid symptoms / confirmed case: if you, your child or any member of your household is symptomatic or has suspected Covid – you must ALL isolate until a test result proves negative.

**PLEASE email us at** [covid@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk](mailto:covid@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk)

If you have a positive test result – you must all isolate for at least 10 days.

#### 5] Management of confirmed cases

Where there has been an identified positive case within school – child or staff member – that bubble will be sent home to isolate for at least 10 days.

***Please remember that we are still living with restrictions enforceable by law – so, for example, until 29<sup>th</sup> March only two people from two different households can meet up after which the rule of six comes into place. Please adhere to these rules to keep us all safe. Thank you.***

We are delighted to see the children returning to school and pray that this is the end of lockdowns within our country. We have much to do and intend to return to paced learning following an in-depth assessment of the children's needs during the first week back. We are aware that the majority of children attended and responded to the learning provided and are reasonably confident that these children will get back into the swing of learning quickly.

**Parent Consultations:** We intend to set up parent meetings before Easter to give you the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and attainment. The meeting should help you to gauge where your child is in relation to where they were on track to be if lockdown had not occurred. These will begin the week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> March and will be telephone based as we think this will be safer for you and the school community at this time.

Stay safe and keep well.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher