



## *Faith is our Foundation*

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Dear Parent,

### **Important Information about Timings and Assessments**

Following the recent Government announcement regarding the lifting of some lockdown measures, we have reviewed what this means for our pupils at St Peter's. We will continue to prioritise the health and safety of our pupils and systems of control will still be maintained, including handwashing on arrival, hand sanitiser being available around site and the increased cleaning regime we have in place. There is still the requirement to maintain the 'bubble' system, whereby pupils in different year groups do not mix. However, with effect from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, as we have an INSET day planned for Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May and no pupils will be in school, face coverings will no longer be required to be worn in the majority classrooms or communal areas by pupils. As part of our risk assessment we will be asking some classes to continue to wear a face covering in the classroom due to high risk individuals. Please be aware, face coverings will still be required on public transport, and therefore a small plastic bag to store the face covering in on school site will be required. Some of the logistics around the school day will be changing, which are detailed below:

#### **Timings**

Due to changes in other year groups, with effect from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, the following timing arrangements will be in place:

	<b>Arrive by</b>	<b>Dismissed at</b>	<b>Gate</b>
<b>Year 7</b>	8.35am	2.50pm	A
<b>Year 8</b>	8.40am	2.55pm	C
<b>Year 9</b>	8.45am	3.00pm	B
<b>Year 10</b>	9.00am	3.20pm	B
<b>Year 12</b>	8.45am	3.00pm (4.00pm P6)	C

The buses that serve St Peter's will continue to operate. The 810 will remain unchanged and wait for pupils for all years. From Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, the Coventry Road services will operate as follows:

877 - This will be for the use of Year 7 pupils at 2.50pm.

X2 - This will be for the use of Year 8 and 9 pupils at 3.00pm.

A later 877 will continue to serve Year 10 and 12 pupils at the later time of 3.25pm which can also be used by pupils who have been delayed by a detention.

As always, our expectation is that pupils go straight home when dismissed from school, avoid congregating outside of school and do so in a safe and sensible manner. Detentions will still operate in the same way and will commence at the new finish times for pupils.

### **Extra-curricular**

We will be looking to provide some extra-curricular experiences for pupils after half term where possible as we appreciate that this is something that children have missed out on this year; further information will be issued shortly.

### **Lunchtimes**

Lunchtime for Year 7 pupils will change to run from 12.20pm – 1.00pm. All other lunchtimes and breaktimes remain unchanged.

### **Assessments**

As we approach the end of this academic year, pupils will be completing end of year assessments for school to assess each pupil's strengths and be informed of any gaps in learning that we need to plan for, going forward. These have been spread out over three weeks to enable pupils to prepare for each assessment in turn. Please see below the planned assessment schedule; this is subject to change due to COVID or other unforeseen circumstances. Assessments will cover content from throughout the year and teachers will give more information in the coming weeks. These will take place in classrooms, but we will try and replicate formal examination conditions. Access arrangements will be in place, where appropriate.

	<b>Week 1 - W/C 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Week 2 - W/C 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Week 3 - W/C 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>Year 7</b>	Maths and English	Science and RE	History, Geography & MFL
<b>Year 8</b>	Science and RE	History, Geography and MFL	English and Maths
<b>Year 9</b>	History, Geography and MFL	English and Maths	Science and RE

Further information regarding Year 10 and Year 12 assessments will be issued in due course, these are scheduled to take place weeks commencing 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Pupils are asked to bring in the following equipment: as a minimum, they require black pens, pencils and a ruler. In addition to this: a protractor for maths, as well as a scientific calculator for maths and science.

It must be stressed that these assessments are not something pupils should worry about and all we ask is that they try their best, so we know how best to support them in the future.

### **Uniform Standards**

As restrictions begin to be lifted, it is imperative that all pupils meet the same high standards of uniform each day. Uniform will be checked each morning and those failing to meet expectations will receive a breaktime detention, in the first instance. A few reminders to ensure pupils do not require to be sanctioned:

- No piercings are permitted to be worn in school.

- Nail varnish and false nails are not allowed.
- Footwear must be sensible school shoes (without an emblem of any kind e.g. Nike) and not trainers or pumps.
- Blazers are compulsory and must be worn each day.
- Blue shirts can be worn in the summer term but, like white shirts, must be tucked in.
- The school tie must be worn with the white shirt.
- Black trousers are not permitted.
- Knee-high socks are not allowed.

Thank you in advance for your support with this matter which is much appreciated.

### **Catholic Life**

On Thursday, we celebrate the feast of the Ascension of Our Lord. Pupils will be enjoying a special Assembly around the theme of 'He Lives In You'. Earlier in the week, our focus has been National Mental Health Week where various resources have been delivered to provide support as a community of faith to anybody who is struggling with this. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's form tutor, via the school office, should your child need any help or support at any time.

Yours faithfully,



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