

ST MONICA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

2nd June 2020

Dear Year 6 Parents,

I wrote to you recently outlining the strategy for the phased return of children to school at St Monica's. The plan was conditional on a number of factors as we are facing unprecedented challenges and we cannot afford to make rash decisions because of the potential consequences. We are very much looking forward to the children returning to school and following a thorough risk assessment of our building and staff, we are able to open up the school to **Year 6 only** from Monday 8th June.

However, please be aware that in order to maintain social distancing, we have had to allocate a fixed number of children to each classroom. Each class will become a "bubble" and have a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 8 (or 9 if there is a set of twins in that room who can sit together) in the room. They will be based in one of the junior classrooms and have one of the junior teachers. There can be no mixing between groups and so although the children will be in school, they will only be in contact with the children and staff in their own "bubble".

I need to know *urgently* who would like to *confirm* a place for their child for Monday. I know 43 of you previously expressed an interest, but you must now complete a new form to *confirm* the place. I also need to know if your child would want a school packed lunch (payable through ParentPay at £2.52 per day) or will be bringing their own. A school packed lunch has a choice of sandwiches/pasta, crudities, dessert and a bottle of water (see menu attached). Please access the form by clicking the following link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfb5Elm8tWTyF9-2dM6ShDDGJ6rvKC4UhjSurJyeReKSKFIzA/viewform?usp=sf_link

I need you to complete the form by Wednesday 3rd June at 3pm so that the necessary planning of groupings and other logistical matters can be arranged. **I will not be asking again until 3rd July at the earliest whether you would like your child to start school and so it is very important that you confirm now if you want your child to start on 8th June. If you do not confirm by completing this form, your child cannot have a place for the time being.**

I will write to you again towards the end of the week to let you know the time your child's group will start. The start time will be 9.10am for the first group (to allow the key worker children to safely enter the building first), and depending on the number of the groups, the final start time will be around 9.30am. The school day will end from 2.50pm to 3.15pm. This staggered approach will enable children to arrive and leave the school premises safely while maintaining social distancing.

The staff will ensure that children are grouped to include known friendships and there may be some mixing of 6Y and 6G as twins have to remain in the same bubble.

If you have any immediate questions, please email headteacher@st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk

Kind regards

Kate Baptiste