



St Vincent's Catholic Primary School

Home/School Agreement –February 2021

Our mission statement continues to guide us, 'Together through Christ we grow and learn'. This agreement is our school family's promise that we are keeping ourselves and each other safe during this period of change. Below, we have produced an updated home/school agreement for the current lockdown. Please read through this, as any attendance at school by your child /ren will mean you are in agreement with these terms.

In order to ensure a safe and purposeful environment for all, the school will:

- provide a warm, welcoming and calm environment for children within the confines of the current health guidance
- ensure that social distancing measures are in place, in line with guidance. We understand that younger children may need more guidance with this and we will ensure they have regular subtle, gentle reminders
- operate bubbles in line with government guidelines and adapted to the physical space of the school
- ensure that children and staff wash their hands at regular intervals and are following good hygiene practices
- ensure that adults interacting with the public will wear face coverings
- ensure increased frequency of cleaning of classrooms and equipment (including frequent contact areas, such as door handles, etc)
- continue to provide remote learning for isolating bubbles and children who are not able to attend school at present
- provide adapted school start and finish times for children in different year groups to enable social distancing for children and parents
- provide a one way system for the safe movement around the school
- follow government guidance and act quickly to isolate bubbles as soon as we are aware of a positive case of Covid-19
- keep in regular contact with parents and carers about ongoing practices and adaptations

In order to ensure a safe and purposeful environment for all, parents and carers agree to:

- only bring a child to school who is well and not displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 or any other illness
- not bring a child to school if any member of the household is displaying any of the symptoms of Covid-19
- act quickly and safely to collect a child from school if they are unwell
- inform the school if a child or family member becomes unwell with symptoms of Covid-19
- if a child shows symptoms of Covid-19 to arrange a test as soon as possible and inform the school of the result
- ensure that children attend school wearing their school uniform or their PE kit on the designated day for PE lessons
- ensure that only one adult attends the school to drop off or pick up and that all adults coming to the school will wear a face covering
- ensure that no adults enter the school building, including not using the school office unless absolutely essential (all communication with school needs to be via telephone or email)
- as is normal practice, parents and carers should be available during the school day in case school needs to make contact (please ensure that we have updated contact details)
- drop children off and pick children up at the specific time given for that year group, to ensure social distancing measures can be maintained, and not congregate outside of the set times
- not mix or congregate with other families at drop off and pick up to ensure minimal contact with those who live outside of the family home
- keep to government guidance when not in school for example not mixing with other households, to minimise the risk of transmission of the virus to our school family

The continued safety of our school family is the priority. If parents are not able to comply with the agreement above we will review whether a place can be offered but we hope this move will not be necessary. Thank you for your continued support.

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