



# Newnham St Peter's C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Over the summer holidays staff have been working hard to prepare the classrooms in line with the latest guidance and are now looking forward to welcoming all the children back in a week's time.

Included with this letter is the final version of the school's September risk assessment as well as a detailed plan for the return to school. Additional information on the return to school is available from the DfE: [gov.uk/backtoschool](http://gov.uk/backtoschool)

Children in Years 1 - 6, and half of the Reception children, will be returning to school on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> of September**. The other half of the Reception children will start on **Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> of September**. Pre-school will start on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of September** and all Reception children will be in school from Monday.

If you have been on holiday abroad and are now having to quarantine over the start of school period please email Mrs Nolan: [head@newham-st-peter.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:head@newham-st-peter.gloucs.sch.uk). Where holidays were booked before a quarantine period was announced, the resulting absence will be authorised.

During the holidays you received information on the key changes to school life and a follow up text with your families drop off and collections times. **It is important that families stick to their time that they have been given and follow the one-way system when entering and exiting the school.** If you have not received a text please contact Mrs Nolan: [head@newham-st-peter.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:head@newham-st-peter.gloucs.sch.uk).

To reduce the number of people on site we are asking that only one adult per family drops off/collects children.

Children will be expected return to school in school uniform. On the days when the class has PE, we will be asking children to wear their PE kit to school. We will provide the PE time table during the first two days back.

School dinners will be available for those children that have pre-ordered them. Where children are bringing their own lunches please ensure they bring one lunchbox only. All children must bring water bottles as well as any weather appropriate clothing (i.e. coats on wet days/sun hats and sun cream on hot days).

Children will be washing their hand frequently during the school day. If you know that your child is sensitive to the soap the school provides they may bring their own liquid soap from home. This must be labeled and will remain in school.

In response to the positive feedback from parents we will be providing full wrap around care from September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Additional details, including how to book, will be sent to you via email this week. Several families already have provisional reserved places. If you are interested in either breakfast or after school provision, please ensure that you let us know as we may not be able to provide a place at short notice.

After school sports clubs will start as of 7<sup>th</sup> September, details of these will be included in the wrap around care information. Clubs will be based on individual bubbles.

Our curriculum in the Autumn term will be focused on recovery. This will have well-being as a priority, and staff will be focused on each individual child's needs as they return to full time schooling after such a long period of absence. We are also aware of the need to identify where children have gaps in learning and to rapidly address these. We will be sensitively carrying out short assessments as the children are ready to do so and will be letting you know about the gaps we are focusing on in school and ways you can help at home by the end of September.

Thank you for your on-going support throughout the many challenges we have faced as a school over the last six months and for your understanding as school returns to a 'new normal'. We have very much valued the communication we have had from parents during this time and will be enhancing this in September by providing Seesaw, an online platform for sharing learning between home and school. More details of this will follow shortly.

Best wishes,

Mrs Nolan