

31/8/21

Dear Parents,

The first week of the Advent term will be as follows:

Tuesday 31st August- Administration Day (no pupils in school)

Wednesday 1st September- INSET day (no pupils in school)

Thursday 2nd September- All pupils return to school

The easing of restrictions took place on 19th July. As such, we are planning for a normal start to the new school year in that we hope to return to some of the routines at St Patrick's before the Pandemic. These routines are described below but are **subject to change, depending on any future change in government guidance.**

Start and End to the school day:

Class	Start time	End time	Drop off and Pick Up points
F1	8.30am-8.40am	3.30pm	Lingforest Rd Foundation Stage gate
F2	8.30am-8.40am	3.20pm	Lingforest Rd Foundation Stage gate
Y1	8.30am-8.40am	3.20pm	Farmfoods entrance
Y2	8.30am-8.40am	3.20pm	Farmfoods entrance
Y3	8.30am-8.40am	3.20pm	Farmfoods entrance
Y4	8.30am-8.40am	3.20pm	Farmfoods entrance
Y5	8.30am	3.20pm	Lingforest Rd entrance at the gate
Y6	8.30am	3.20pm	Farmfoods entrance at the gate

If siblings' gates are different, please bring them to the side gate of the playground via the Ling Forest Rd entrance.

Staff will be visibly present at strategic points of the school perimeter. This will enable families to drop children off at the gates in the morning and then to come onto school site for the end of the day collection.

Lunch time

Class	Time	Location for dining
Foundation Unit	11.30-12.30	Foundation unit
Y1	11.30-12.30	Dining room
Y2	11.30-12.30	Dining room
Y3	11.30-12.30	Classroom
Y4	12.00-1.00	Dining room
Y5	12.00-1.00	Dining room
Y6	12.00-1.00	Under canopy/Classroom

Face Masks

In accordance to the changes to the new guidance, face masks are now to be worn by choice of the individual, however the school would still recommend wearing when on school premises.

Catholic Life of the School

In September, there are some changes within the parish as we welcome two new priests Fr John and a new Philippian priest called Fr Mark who will both serve St Patrick's Parish and the school. Both priests are supported well by Sister Susan and Sister Mary. We are delighted that we can recommence with weekly masses.

Extra-Curricular Activities

As part of our commitment to the wider curriculum, we hope to offer a wide range of activities. The offer will be shared with you on the return to school in September and will



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commence w/c Monday 13th September to
give sufficient time for these activities to be organised.

Residential Visits

Bookings have been made for the following residential visits in 2022:

25th-26th July 2022: Year 3 - Perlethorpe Camp

26th and 27th May 2022: Year 4 - The Mill Adventure Base - Camping Pods

9th-10th June 2022: Year 5 - Perlethorpe Camp

11th-13th July 2022: Year 6 – Briars

Payments will be set up at the beginning of the Year in order for costs to be spread out and part payments made monthly if so wished.

Dates for statutory tests:

Phonics Screening Check Year 2 – Advent term 2

Year 6 SATs – Monday 9th May to Thursday 12th May inclusive

KS1 SATs tests – Monday 16th May to Friday 27th May

Phonics Screening Check Year 1 – Week commencing Monday 6th June

Multiplication Tables Check Year 4 – 3 week period from Monday 6th June

Swimming

Swimming sessions have been booked for the Pentecost (Summer) term. Further details will be sent out closer to the time

Attendance

We pride ourselves on very high levels of attendance and wish to remind you that, providing your child is well and is of compulsory school age, your child is expected to attend school as much as possible. We have a responsibility to record attendance, follow up absences and work in partnership with the local authority's guidelines.

Electronic Means of Communication

This has proved very successful as a means of home-school communication during the pandemic. We will also continue to be a cashless school.

We will continue to use the class email addresses (listed below) to enable you to contact your child's class teacher within a 2 working day response time.

The slt email address (slt@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk) will cease to be used.

F1 – f1@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

F2 – f2@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Y1 – year1@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Y2 – year2@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Y3 – year3@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Y4 – year4@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Y5 – year5@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Y6 – year6@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

The office email address (office@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk) is to be used to report a child's absence and for general enquiries.

The main school phone will be in operation from 8am-4.15pm

In prayer and partnership,

Mrs J Smedley