

Parent's Code of Conduct – Addendum June 2020

This code of conduct relates to St Michael's reopening, at the earliest date of Monday 1st June, and during any period where COVID-19 safety measures are required. *An addendum has been made to the school's behaviour policy which you agree to by confirming your child will be attending school from June 2020.*

From after half term, our aim is to teach in 'bubbles' where staff and children will be allocated to a bubble. Our aim is for a bubble to be no more than 10 children, but it will be reviewed as the guidance changes and our numbers increase.

Travelling to and from school

- We actively discourage children using public transport to travel to and from school.
- No parents/responsible adults are permitted to enter the school playground under any circumstances.
- Signs will be placed near the school gates reminding parents to stay two metres apart. Parents are expected to abide by this requirement in keeping a safe distance from each other at drop-off and collection times.
- All children must be brought to school by only one parent/responsible adult including children in Year 6 who normally have permission to travel on their own.
- Children's temperatures will be taken before they can enter the school. The parent/responsible adult must remain with the child until their temperature has been checked at the school gate; please allow time for this. If the temperature is above 37.5 °C, the child will not be permitted to enter the school premises.
- If parents are not able to accompany their Year 6 child to school, they must give a signed agreement before school resumes, authorising that if a high temperature is recorded, their child will be collected within the hour or can be sent home. The child will not be able to enter the school building but will be supervised outside until collection.
- If children in Year 6 have permission to go home alone, they will be dismissed from the lower playground observing the 2 meter rule. If parents choose for their children to go home alone, they must ensure their children will follow the COVID-19 guidance when travelling home alone.
- No crowding around the school premises - drop and leave.

Uniform

- Pupils should wear their own, preferably freshly washed, clothes every day and appropriate footwear.

PPE

- Government guidance states the wearing of PPE is not recommended in schools. Children will be advised not to wear it/remove it upon entering the school playground.

Lunches

At the moment our kitchen will not re-open until more children are re-phased into school.

- Parents/responsible adults are to provide a packed lunch and a pre-filled bottle of water each day; there is no access to water fountains. All items should be clearly labelled.

Attendance

- Parents who decide to send their child to school are to ensure they attend every day and not on an ad hoc basis, unless unwell.
- If a child is sick, the usual absence protocol should be followed, of notifying school office, preferably by email, but if not then by calling the school, detailing symptoms.
- If your child displays symptoms such as a continual sneeze or cough, headache, loss of taste or smell or a high temperature, they must be kept at home. Children who display such COVID-19 symptoms as described, must be booked to be tested through your GP. Once tested, the school must be informed of the outcome straight away.
- Any child displaying symptoms during the school day will be isolated from other children until their parents/carers can collect them – a speedy removal from school will be expected. *The office must have up to date contact details.*
- *If a child is sent home after displaying COVID-19 symptoms, they will have to be tested and the results shared with school before they can be allowed to return.*

- If a pupil or staff member within a bubble tests positive for COVID-19, the entire bubble will need to isolate for 7 days and will not be permitted to enter school.
- Although children need to be collected on time to ensure the premises can be sanitised effectively for the next day, if a child is collected late, they will be supervised within their bubble until an adult arrives.

School office

- The school office will be open for parental contact between 9am and 2pm, but we ask that communication happens via phone call or emails if at all possible and that you only visit the office if it is absolutely necessary.
- Visitors to the school office will be admitted one at a time – we ask for your patience in facilitating this.

Parents please also note:

- *Children in Year 6 will enter the premises by the lower playground gate and leave by the same gate.*
- *Children in Year R and Year 1 will enter the premises by the infant gate and leave by the same gate.*
- *Children of critical workers will enter the premises by the Upper playground gate and leave by the same gate.*
- *The climbing frame and water fountains are not accessible during the school day.*
- *Pupils will be reminded to avoid touching their mouth nose and eyes with their hands.*
- *Pupils will be taught the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach and be expected to use it when coughing or sneezing, and be instructed to wash their hands after doing so.*
- *Pupils will be required to sanitize their equipment at the end of the school day, using a sanitised cloth. Please note that this may contain alcohol.*
- *Pupils must inform an adult immediately if they are experiencing symptoms of Coronavirus.*
- *Your patience is requested in these unprecedented times.*