



**ST. GABRIEL'S R.C
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**PUPIL & PARENT
INFORMATION BOOKLET**

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1. Which classroom will I be in?

When you come back to school you will be in your own classroom, but it will look a bit different to the classroom you left, and may have certain things taken out.



2. Why will the classroom look different?

The classroom will look different, the chairs and tables have been moved and you will have a desk all to yourself.

You will be given resources like pencils/pens that are just for you to use and not for sharing, and you will be the only person to use them.

3. Who will be in school?

School is open for a small number of children from all classes and Key Worker children. Not all children will be coming into school, some of your friends may be in school, and some may have remained at home.

To make sure there are not too many people in school, the adults will be working some days in school and some days from home. There will be enough adults in school to keep you safe and happy. We will let you know which adults are going to be working with you.

4. What does 'Socially Distancing' mean?

At the moment you have been staying at home and only spending time with the people who live in your house. At home you can sit close together, hug and use the same equipment because you are used to your family members, you do not have to 'socially distance'.

However, when you come back to school you will be spending time with other children and staff who do not live in your home. To stop the spread of the virus we are told to distance ourselves from other people who do not live in our house. This is called 'socially distancing' and we need to leave a gap of 2 metres (Your teachers will show you what that looks like.) You may have seen the signs in shops and seen people practising this. In school we will do the same with your class group.



You will stay with your class group all day; in your classroom, at lunch and out at play. That is why the tables in your classrooms are so spread out and we can only have a few of you in at a time. This is to help keep everyone safe.

5. Do I have to wear anything different?

You do **not** need to wear school uniform. To help keep you safe it is important to wear **clean** clothes **every day**. When you get home from school you need to change out of your clothes and ideally have a shower and put on fresh clothes. This also helps stop the spread of the virus.

6. How do I get in to school in the morning?

To help keep everyone safe only one adult will be allowed to bring you to school. Your class group may be given a different start time so that there are not too many people coming into school at once.

You will come into school via the main gates like we do every morning, and you'll queue along the fence standing next to the rainbow signs to keep you safe by making sure you are not too close to other people. Your adult will say goodbye to you outside the gate and your school adult will be waiting at the door for you.



The Infants will go through the normal gate into their classrooms.



The Juniors will go to their classroom through the hall.

7. Will I get to go out to play?

There will be lots of opportunities to be outside, and your teachers will be taking you out as much as possible, but you won't be able to use the equipment that you normally use or bring in anything from home.



8. What will happen at lunchtime?

At lunchtime you will be given a set time when you clear your desk and can get your lunch. It will be cleaned by your teachers and you will sit at your desk to eat your lunch unless the weather is good and then we will try and go outside. After lunch, you will be given a time to go out to play which means that your class group will be able to play out safely and have the playground to yourself again!

9. Can I play with my friends?

You can play with your friends in your class group at a 2 metre distance. This is to help keep everyone safe. You might not be able to play with the same equipment you used to or you may have to play with it in a different way. You will be helped by your adults who will suggest what games could be fun. These will need to involve you not holding hands or getting too close to anyone. Games such as racing could be great fun in a big playground!

10. What will my lessons look like?

Your lessons will be just as fun and similar to what they were before school closed but you may be sat in different places and using your resources differently. When you need help your adult will not be able to sit close to you as they used to, and your teachers will concentrate on providing fun and interesting activities for you.

11. Will other parts of the school day be different?

There will not be any assemblies with all children sat together, and breaktimes and lunchtimes may be a different time. Your start and finish time will be slightly different too.

12. What will happen at home time?

At home time, your adult will have been given a specific time to come and collect you. They will be waiting outside the school gates and you will be called when your adult is next in line to collect you. When your name is called you'll walk to the gate where your adult will be waiting for you. You will not be allowed to come to school or walk home on your own so that you are kept safe.

13. What will I need to remember in school?

In school it is important to remember to:

- Be really good at washing your hands
- Not to touch your face/mouth with your hands
- Try and keep 2m away from everyone
- Listen and follow what your adults say
- Try your best (as you always do!)
- And most importantly remember to stay safe and enjoy yourself!

14. Handwashing and hygiene information



Coronavirus

Wash your hands with soap and water more often for 20 seconds

Use a tissue to turn off the tap.
Dry hands thoroughly.



Palm to palm



The backs of hands



In between the fingers



The back of the fingers



The thumbs



The tips of the fingers

