



Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

### School Reopening Update

Thank you for your support over the past few months helping us deliver remote learning to your child(ren). Following the Prime Minister's announcement, we are looking forward to welcoming all children back to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and existing systems of control intended to keep all our school community safe, will continue with some slight adjustments which I detail below.

**Attendance** - will be mandatory for pupils of compulsory school age from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and therefore, the usual rules on school attendance will apply. However, it remains essential that if you, your child or any member of your household (including someone in your support bubble or childcare bubble), displays any of the 3 main symptoms of Covid-19:

- a high temperature (37.8C or higher)
- a new, continuous cough or
- a loss of, or change to your sense of smell or taste

that you isolate and book a test online, or by ringing 119 and do not return to school until a negative test result has been received or, the required 10-day isolation period completed.

For pupils who are self-isolating or shielding, we will continue to provide remote learning through Google Classroom or through paper packs/resources if this method better meets the needs of your child(ren)/family.

**Dropping Off and Collection** – children should be dropped off and collected by **one** adult at the allocated times shown in the following table. Adults should continue to wear face coverings whilst on site and follow the one-way system.

To avoid the need for waiting on the playground, all children will be able to enter the school building immediately on arrival via their allotted entry points shown in the following table.

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	<b>Entrance</b>	<b>Drop Off</b>	<b>Collection</b>
Foundation Stage	Driveway	8:45am	3:00pm
Year 1	*KS1 Entrance	8:40am	2:55pm
Year 2	*KS2 Entrance	8:45am	3:00pm
Year 3	*Gym Entrance	8:40am	2:55pm
Year 4	*Hall Entrance	8:45am	3:00pm
Year 5	Office Entrance	8:40am	2:55pm
Year 6	Office Entrance	8:45am	3:00pm

\*For children entering via the main playground, we ask that you drop your child at the flag located near their entrance and they make their way into school independently.

**School Items** – we continue to ask that children bring minimum equipment with them to school. Your child requires the following items:

- ✓ Water Bottle
- ✓ Packed Lunch (if they are not having a hot school meal)
- ✓ Coat
- ✓ Book Bags (Mondays)

Children should not bring resources from home such as pencil cases; sports equipment etc. Other resources needed will be provided by school.

**Staying Safe** – school Risk Assessments and Systems of Control are being updated in line with Government guidance and can be found on the COVID-19 page of our website.

As your child returns to school – and like staff in school – family members and support bubbles will be able to use Lateral Flow Tests to conduct twice-weekly asymptomatic testing at home in line with recent government announcements. Please follow this [link](#) to find out more about eligibility and options to access and order test kits.

**Messages** – in the first instance, any messages for class teachers or the school office should be emailed to [admin@stmhull.org](mailto:admin@stmhull.org). Otherwise, please contact the school office on 01482 354093. Any visitors to the school site will be strictly by appointment only.

**PE** – your child(ren) should come into school already dressed in their PE kit on their allotted PE day:

Year 1	Thursday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Friday
Year 5	Thursday
Year 6	Friday

Foundation Stage children will continue to access their physical activity as part of their continuous provision and do not need separate PE kit.

**Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club** – our Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs will resume on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, but places MUST be pre-booked in advance to support planning and should only be requested when reasonably necessary to support work; training and medical appointments. Where demand is high, priority for places will be given to children of key workers. A link to the booking form will be sent via text on a weekly basis.

**School Bus** – the school bus will resume on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. If your usage profile has changed then please contact the school office to confirm updated arrangements otherwise your usual profile will be assumed.

We are aware of several road works on Anlaby Road that may affect a few of our bus users. We are working with Hull City Council and East Yorkshire Coaches to understand the implications for our route and will be in touch with all affected families by the end of this week.

**Chromebook Loans** – if you have any school equipment loaned to you throughout our Remote Education Phase including Chromebooks, please return these to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Equipment will be cleaned and re-distributed within classes to support learning within school.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you on Monday!

With kindest regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Shaw', is positioned above the typed name.

Mr G Shaw  
Head of School