



Education Resources

Executive Director **Tony McDaid**

St Joseph's Primary School – Head Teacher Jacqueline Ross

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Dear Parent / Carer,

In line with South Lanarkshire Council guidelines, I am pleased to inform you that the school will operate a managed return to school for all pupils in the week beginning 11th August 2020. This managed approach is designed to phase the children into school gradually and enable them to settle into their class, form attachments and become familiar with changes to school set-up and safety procedures. All staff are looking forward to welcoming the children to school and will fully and sensitively support them during this transition period and throughout their continued learning journey.

Please refer to the dates and times outlined in the table below.

Day / Date	Classes to Attend	Time Period
Tuesday 11 th August	INSET DAY for Staff only	No pupils to return
Wednesday 12 th August	Only the class listed for this date should attend. Room 1 Primary 1	10am to 2pm Specific arrangements will be forwarded in an update to P1 Parents / Carers
Thursday 13 th August	Only the classes listed for this date should attend. Room 1 Primary 1 Room 2 Primary 2 Room 3 Primary 2 Room 4 Primary 3 Room 5 Primary 3/4	9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm
Friday 14 th August	Only the classes listed for this date should attend. Room 6 Primary 4/5 Room 7 Primary 5 Room 8 Primary 6 Room 9 Primary 6/7 Room 10 Primary 7	9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm 9.00am to 3.00pm
Monday 17 th	All pupils – full return	9.00am to 3.00pm Specific details to follow in update.

For the first week of term Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th August 2020, arrangements for arrival and dismissal will follow the information communicated to parents/carers in June 2020. As a reminder,

- Gates A, B and C will open at 8.45am.
- Only children with scooters and bikes should enter via pedestrian Gate C.
- Children Rooms 2-10 should arrive between 8.45am and 9.00am and enter the school directly through the dinner hall (Door D) where they will hand sanitise at labelled hand sanitising stations and then proceed directly to their class.
- Children will be supervised by staff during this time period.
- On dismissal, Gates A, B and C will be opened at 2.55pm.
- Children will be dismissed at 3pm, sibling groups first.
- Only one parent/carer will be permitted to collect each pupil or sibling group within the school grounds to avoid congestion. It is advised children are collected from the pick-up playground zone of the youngest sibling. Playground zones will be labelled.

- We ask that all children and families vacate the yard promptly and that all adults adhere to 2m social distancing between adults and children of other households.
- The school car park will be closed at 8.45am and 2.45pm for safety.
- No parent/carers of the school should park in the staff car park.
- Parents/ carers are advised to consider alternative collection points for example the Church car park or to make use of SLC's Park and Stride Scheme.
- Active forms of travel are recommended including walking, cycling etc.
- Specific arrangements for Primary 1 Room 1 pupils will follow in an update to Primary 1 parents/carers.

Arrangements for a full return to school for all pupils week beginning 17th August 2020 and other relevant guidance will be communicated in an update prior to the start of the school term.

Many thanks to all families for their support in implementing these planned arrangements.

Kind Regards

Claire-Louise Mullen

Depute Head Teacher