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## Welcome back

Dear parents and guardians,

Happy new year. We hope you have all enjoyed some peaceful family time over the festive break.

No doubt you will have seen via the media that there has been a lot of discussion regarding children returning to Primary school. I can confirm that St Bernard's will be fully open as planned from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January at the normal staggered entry time and entry points. A reminder timetable is included later in the letter. Please note that Team 3 will now be collected at the back KS2 door to limit the number of people gathering at the front of school.

The staff are very much looking forward to having the children back and continuing with the excellent learning that took place in the Autumn term. However, it is more important than ever that all families do everything they can to keep everyone safe. Please ensure you:

- Do not send your child to school if they are displaying symptoms of Covid-19.
- Do not send your child to school if someone in your household / support bubble has symptoms or has tested positive.
- Report any positive cases as soon as possible to the school.
- Inform the school at the earliest opportunity if your child needs to isolate due to someone in your home / support bubble having symptoms or testing positive.
- Abide by the restrictions of the appropriate tier for Cheshire West and Chester currently tier 4.
- Wear a face covering whilst on the school grounds.
- Do not congregate on the school grounds and look to drop off / collect your child as quickly as possible.

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We would advise that parents and carers be aware of the uncertainties around the current situation. It would be prudent to consider your potential childcare arrangements should we be unable to open at any point over the coming weeks or months.

## Being prepared for a full school building closure

In the unfortunate event of having to close the school building, we would still be able to support and educate vulnerable and key worker children on site. We have contact details of key worker families from the lockdown in the last academic year but have provided the following form below for families to fill in if parents / guardians are key workers and would need their children in school. Please complete this as soon as possible if you believe you are a key worker so that we can update our records.

## 2021 St Bernard's key worker form

# Latest government guidance regarding key workers

Our remote learning strategy will then begin to ensure that all children continue to receive their education. Please note that this is compulsory and it is essential that all children take part to ensure that learning continues as best as possible. On the school website, we will shortly be updating and re-publishing what will be delivered. A link to this will be text to all parents shortly.

## What to do if your child is isolating at present

If your child is isolating following the Christmas break, please let school know today by emailing admin@stbernards.cheshire.sch.uk or phoning school on 0151 355 2047. Your child's class teacher will be notified and will be in touch via email about home learning until your child is able to return to school.

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## YEAR GROUPS DROP OFF & COLLECTION

## PLEASE NOTE COLLECTION CHANGE FOR T3

Team Reception	8:50 am	3:15 pm	Class Doors
Team 1	8:45 am	3:10 pm	Class Doors
Team 2	8.50am	3.15pm	Class doors
Team 3	8.45am	3.15pm	Drop off- Hall door Collection- KS2 Playground
Team 4	8.50 am	3.10pm	Drop off- Hall door Collection- KS2 Playground
Team 5 & 6	8.40am	3.05pm	KS2 playground

There will continue to be challenges and potential disruption ahead but we know that our strong home – school relationship will support us.

As always, thanks for your continued support and all staff look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Mr Jevons

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