



# SOUTH BADDESLEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

Firstly, I just wanted to say how good it has been to see so many children in school this week. I hope that the children have found the transition sessions helpful and have enabled them to feel a little more prepared for next year. Please don't forget that you can also sign up for our Open Classroom event on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. The sign-up sheets are in the learner's pool in a folder called 'open classroom.'

In preparation for September, I do need to share with you the new procedures and systems we will be implementing in order to reduce risk and maintain a healthy school environment wherever possible. As you can imagine, we do have some very detailed risk assessments for September and it is important that I share the pertinent and relevant points with you. Apologies, this is another long letter but hopefully will answer many of your questions.

We are currently following guidance set for June 2020. In September we will be following the new DfE guidance set for schools re-opening fully. The DfE are clear that they expect the cases of covid-19 to be significantly reduced again by September and therefore it is very important that schools return to a full opening with a full curriculum being offered. However, in order to stay open, we will need to implement several procedures, as well as preparing for future lockdowns, particularly during the Autumn term.

Although the guidance is clear about what **MUST** happen in schools, there is a significant amount of flexibility so that schools can adapt risk assessments to suit their communities and physical spaces. Therefore, you may see some variations in the ways local schools respond. At SBS, we have taken time to consider how we can do our very best for our community and we hope that you will be able to support the changes we put in place. I have summarised these changes below.

## Key information

<b>Bubbles</b>	<p>In order to manage our curriculum and pupil numbers, we will be organising the school into three distinct bubbles. These bubbles will be:</p> <p>Bubble one: Gruffalo Bubble two: Elmer and Paddington Bubble three: Tulane, Shadow and Aslan</p> <p>Each bubble will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ specific start and end times</li> <li>✓ specific playtimes</li> <li>✓ specific lunch times</li> <li>✓ Bubble rooms around the school</li> </ul> <p>Children in these bubbles can mix for lessons and playtimes. All staff can work across bubbles, as they are more likely to manage effective social distancing.</p>
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	<p>We will also continue to work alongside SEND specialists in order to meet individual pupil needs.</p> <p>Some specialist providers such as Sports Coaches will be returning to SBS. To begin with, external provider clubs will not be offered, I am keen to settle the children back in first and to keep SBS closed to external visitors as possible. However, Breakfast Club and After School Club will be returning but the provision will be matched to the daytime bubbles.</p> <p>The school bus will run but again groups will be matched to the bubbles so the running times will vary.</p>
<p><b>Illness</b></p>	<p>It is critical that you do not send your child to school with the following symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ A temperature</li> <li>✓ New and continuous cough</li> <li>✓ Loss of taste or smell</li> </ul> <p>These <b>could be</b> covid-19 symptoms. If these symptoms develop, you should take your child for a covid-19 test and the family should isolate until you either receive a negative test result or have isolated for the correct amount of time.</p> <p>Isolation remains:          If you have covid-19 symptoms, you should isolate for 7 days or until you receive a negative test result.          Family members for 14 days or until you receive a negative test result.</p> <p>If an individual becomes unwell during the school day with covid-19 symptoms, we will isolate the pupil in the log cabin and contact you immediately. All spaces used by the child will be immediately cleaned. Please ensure we have the correct contact details for you.</p> <p>We will not be implementing temperature checks because the guidance clearly states that this is not necessary. However, we do have infra-red thermometers should we need to take a temperature during the school day.</p> <p>Normal SBS procedures for absences due to sickness will resume. You should leave a message on the school's absence line.</p> <p>If you child has a health care plan, they must return to school with their medication and new health Care plans will be issued in September.</p>
<p><b>Protective measures</b></p>	<p>Protective measures will remain in place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Increased hand-hygiene. This is through the use of sanitisers in communal spaces and regular handwashing. We are planning to install additional sinks in various locations throughout the summer break in order to make this increased handwashing manageable for staff and children.</li> </ul>





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ We will be following 'catch it, bin it' guidance.</li> <li>✓ We will implement social distancing where possible and continue with our new corridor rules 'stop and wait.' We recognise that social distancing will not be possible for our youngest children and often our older children find it hard to maintain when they are playing.</li> <li>✓ We are implementing increased daily cleaning procedures. This includes pupil desks and touch points being cleaned at lunch time, as well as implementing a KS2 toilet rotation so that a clean toilet is available to the children at different points in the day.</li> </ul>
<b>Parent communication</b>	<p>Parents will not be able to come onto our site.</p> <p>All communication will continue to be virtual, by phone or by email.</p> <p>If your child is anxious, we will support the management of this and will allow one parent on site to support the child. The adult will need to follow our procedures for hand washing and where possible social distancing.</p>
<b>Classroom environments</b>	<p>Classrooms will look different. Each child will have their own tray of resources and all desks will be forward facing. Although in September, children will be able to sit in pairs at these tables.</p>
<b>Equipment</b>	<p>We will be asking children to use their own equipment for daily learning tasks. Where that can be provided by families, we would be grateful. However, if this is not possible, school will make up support packs for children.</p> <p>Other classroom equipment such as books, chrome books, art equipment and sports equipment can be shared, although there is a procedure in place for cleaning and quarantining all shared equipment.</p> <p>Face masks in school environments are currently not expected. We will only wear face masks if we are administering first aid, or if a child develops covid-19 symptoms on site and we need to look after them.</p> <p>Children are not expected to bring face coverings to school. If on your journey to and from school you would like your child to wear a face covering, you should look after this face covering for your child.</p>
<b>Worship and whole school events</b>	<p>At this point in time, these events will be virtual. Whilst this can feel disappointing at first, I hope that if you have watched some of the footage from Year 6 leavers (on the learner's pool – year 6 leavers), you will see that it can also be lots of fun!</p>
<b>Behaviour</b>	<p>The normal SBS Behaviour Policy will be implemented. However, we will be adding the SBS Safety Rules to this policy. Most children have found these rules extremely easy to follow and I am incredibly proud of how well the children have been able to manage this change.</p>





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	If an individual child does find these rules difficult to follow, it is highly likely that I will give you a call and we can talk about how to support your child together.
<b>Virtual School</b>	<p>If we need to return to a lockdown situation, we will be running virtual school again.</p> <p>We have now learnt that google meets and classroom is great and so we would be planning to run daily google meets for pupils in small groups. Plus we will continue to upload learning to the classroom. In addition we have purchased a selection of apps that will support your child's learning</p> <p>In September we will spend time making sure your children are familiar with google classroom and the new apps we have purchased to support their learning.</p>

### What do you need to do now?

- ✓ Read the attached document explaining your child's start and end times.
- ✓ If you are planning on using school transport, please check the allocations of seats in the learner's pool, in a folder called 'Bus Allocations 2020.'
- ✓ Read the new kit list for pupils, also attached to this letter.
- ✓ Ensure that you have watched the SBS Safety First film with your child before they return to school.  
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- ✓ Contact me, if you have any questions regarding this letter.
- ✓ Have an amazing summer holiday and stay well!

As always, the very best wishes you all,  
Mrs. Moir

