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**LEIGH ST PETER’S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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SEPTEMBER 2021

AUTUMN TERM:

I hope the break has been one where you have been able to reconnect with family and friends and you have been able to stay safe. We are looking forward to the children returning to school. Please take some time to familiarise yourselves with the arrangements for returning to school.

It’s important to remember that infection rates are still high so we are keeping a number of actions we had last year, to mitigate the risk of others catching the virus and we need your full support with this. These will be monitored and reviewed regularly.

As you are probably aware, the bubble system is no longer required by the government so when there is a positive case whole year groups no longer need to be sent home to isolate. This causes it’s own issues if the positive case is a member of staff. This could be difficult for a number of reasons but one of the biggest concerns in school will be finding and paying for supply cover for the class. Because of this, we need to make sure we are protecting everyone in our school setting:

* Masks need to be still worn on the school site – please bring your own. Depending on the numbers you may be asked to wait until the school site is quieter.
* We are asking that parents maintain a distance of around 2 metres when speaking to staff.
* Parents and carers must be still vigilant when a child or someone in the household is ill and seek a LFT or PCR test (if symptomatic).
* The drop off and pick up times are followed to limit people on the school site as well as ONLY 1 adult to pick up. Maintain the use of the one way system.

I appreciate that some of you may not agree with some of these actions especially as most restrictions are lifted, particularly the wearing of masks. However, I need to make sure I am protecting the staff so that your child can have the best education they deserve. Please support us with this.



After School Clubs:

REMINDER: From September, the childcare after school club will no longer be available. Sadly, this decision has had to be made because it wasn’t financially sustainable.

Information about after school clubs is posted on the School Story on Dojos – please make sure you still have the app working to get all the up to date information from school.



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IMPORTANT:

SCHOOL Drop Off: Reception – Year 6 to be dropped off, at the school gates (see below which one), any time between 8.45am and 8.55am staff will be there to greet them. There is currently no plan to have a staggered start so when you turn up your child will be allowed into the school gate and we ask that parents don’t wait around to limit the number of adults around. Both Leigh Street and Faith Street school gates will shut at 8.55am.

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| **7.45 – 8.30** | **Nursery Entrance** | **Leigh Street** | **Faith Street** |
| Any Children for breakfast club – usual entrance through the hall.  Until further notice, this will still remain for working families only. | Nursery 15 hours am (just before 8.45am) | Year 2 | Year 4  This is a different entrance to last year. |
| Reception | Year 3 | Year 5 |
| Year 1 | + Older siblings | Year 6 |
| 30 hour Nursery – 9.00am |  |  |

SCHOOL PICK UP:

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| **3.00pm** | **3.10pm** | **3.15pm** | **3.15pm** |
| Nursery pick up – 30 hour children | Reception | Year 3 | Year 5 |
| Year 1 | Year 4 | Year 6 |
| Year 2 | Pick up on Y2/3 playground  Please don’t arrive too early. | Those that don’t walk home alone to be collect from Faith Street |

UNIFORM:

Just a quick reminder about uniform. All information is on the link <https://leighsaintpeters.wigan.sch.uk/general-information/uniform/>

We have decided to remain with the offer of allowing children to come into school in their PE kits on their PE day. This means full school kit. If your child hasn’t got a plain black tracksuit top then they must wear their school jumper/cardigan. Your child’s class teacher will inform you of their PE day on the class dojo story this week.

The only time your child should be wearing anything other than their uniform, including their PE kits, is on their birthday where they can then wear their own clothes.

As a school that promotes physical fitness we allow children to come in trainers. However, all trainers should be plain black ONLY for their uniform and PE.

Please make sure all long hair (shoulder length or longer) is tied up away from your child’s face, this is for both girls and boys, and there are no colours or tramlines on hair.

Due to limited space in classrooms and cloakrooms, reading folders and lunchboxes only. Please do not send your child into school with a rucksack or bag, we don’t have the space for these.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Monday 6th September

Autumn Term begins

Friday 15th October

Half term holiday

**Monday 1st November**

School returns

**Tuesday 21st December**

Christmas Holiday begins

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