

# St Bart's: Covid-19

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020, we communicated our plan for the phased reopening of our school. This means that from 4<sup>th</sup> June 2020 we will be inviting Fiji class (Year 6) back followed by a split week timetable for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

We set up an email address for parents and carers to ask us any questions about the reopening of the school and we have decided to post answers to frequently asked questions below. We hope this is helpful.

**1. If we decide not to send our child back to school, will they still get online work to complete at home for the whole week?**

Yes, we will continue to produce the home learning activities which have already been established.

**2. Will there be any one-to-one reading?**

Not for the time being but we will review this regularly. The reading will be whole class based with everyone at a safe distance from each other.

**3. If we feel uncomfortable and withdraw our child from school, can we send them back when happier with the situation?**

Yes but we will require notice and any new starters will be given a place the following week at the earliest.

**4. What happens if a child/teacher falls ill within the class bubble?**

We would inform the parents/carers immediately and ask all children and adults from that group to self-isolate for 14 days.

**5. If another class bubble has an infection within it, will all parents be notified?**

Yes. We will assess the risk and decide if it is safe to keep the other bubble groups open but parents and carers will be able to make their own decisions about their child's continued attendance.

**6. Has anyone at St Bart's been ill from Covid-19?**

Some members of staff have had symptoms but currently everyone is well and those who have been tested have tested negative. We are aware of a very small number of cases of the illness in St Bart's families but believe they have now all fully recovered.

**7. Will the school attempt to put children with their friends?**

Yes. Where this is possible, we will do our very best.

**8. What sport will the children be doing at school?**

The children will have outdoor PE sessions in line with the national curriculum and the government's social distancing requirements of 2metres apart.

**9. Can my child return a bit later if we feel more comfortable in a few weeks' time?**

Yes. However, we will need some notice before we can make arrangements for extra children to join us.

**10. Can Year 6 children walk to and from school on their own?**

Yes. We require written permission from parents for this to be authorised. If we already have that written permission we will not require it again but if this will be a new arrangement then we need it first.

**11. How will things change to allow Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 to attend school again?**

We don't know. We will only know this when the Government makes a decision.