

Holy Family News



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all safe and well. Today would have been the last day of Summer Term 1 and the children would have been finishing school for 2 weeks for half term. We understand that the children need a break from online learning and for this reason no work will be set during the half term holiday. Staff from school will still be telephoning each week to do a welfare check. We know that this is a difficult time for many of our families and we want to support you as best we can. Please make sure you answer your phone! I would also like to take this opportunity to update you on the re-opening of school to other classes following the governments announcement last week. Please take the time to read the information below. **School remains open for the children of our key workers during half term but will be closed Bank Holiday Monday.**

Stay safe and take care. Mrs Booth

What have the Local Authority said?

The Local Authority recognise that every school is different. Therefore the re-opening of schools will be different in each school. "Decisions are being made on the basis of detailed risk assessments to support the safest return for your children. Furthermore, as circumstances change, school leaders may have to alter their plans at short notice."

To read the letter in full please [click here](#).

What is Holy Family doing?

Safety of children, staff and our community is our priority. School will continue to provide care for the children of our key workers. We are currently in the process of completing our risk assessment and making the necessary changes to our provision, to allow more children to return to school. With safety being the priority, we are planning a gradual return and are hoping to open on the **8th June to Year 6 and keyworker children only**. The school day will be different to how it was before lockdown. More information will be sent to parents nearer the time, to allow you to make an informed decision about whether or not your child will be returning to school.

So what happens next?

School is in the process of completing a detailed risk assessment focusing on government advice:

1. Minimising contact with people/children who are unwell.
2. Cleaning hands more often than usual.
3. Respiratory Hygiene (catch it, bin it, kill it)
4. Cleaning surfaces that are touched frequently
5. Minimise contact and mixing between people/children

Once the assessment is complete I will contact parents to inform them of the changes made to reduce the risks from the coronavirus. Parents can then make an informed decision.

Things to remember:

- No new online learning will be posted during half term .
- Ideas for activities and learning can be found on the school website.
- School will be open during half term for the children of key workers but closed on Bank Holiday Monday.
- Staff will be making welfare telephone calls to all families during the half term break.
- If families need support please phone school on 7702400 or email, support@holyfamily.co.uk.