



# Saint Felix School

Headmaster: Mr James Harrison BA (Hons)

25<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians

I hope this letter finds you well and that your son or daughter is looking forward to the return of school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. In this letter I hope to address all the issues and questions you might have about the upcoming return.

We have been working hard to ensure a safe return for all on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 8.35am. To facilitate this, Lateral Flow Testing will take place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March between 8.00am and 3.00pm in the Chapel, therefore there will be no remote lessons on this day to allow pupils to attend.

There is no need to make an appointment for the test but please arrive at any time during the time slots. Entrance to the Chapel will be via the side external entrance and the exit at the rear through the Chapel gardens. I will be there to greet your child and the testing team will be there to assist them throughout the duration of their test. Face coverings must be worn whilst in the school building and all pupils should strictly adhere to social distancing guidelines.

We request that parents remain in their cars and staff will be on site to guide your child.

I have attached the consent form which can either be returned via e-mail or brought with your child to their first test. I have also included some guidance on how to register to receive the test results so there is no need for you to wait in school for the result as this will be automatically sent to you by text and e-mail.

If your son or daughter received a positive test result, they will need to follow government guidelines and isolate for 10 days, and the rest of the family for 14 days. Please note, as per the consent form, if your child has had Covid-19 in the last 90 days, you will not need to have a test as the results are unreliable and not recommended. I would be grateful if you could contact Anita Carr confidentially if this is the case.

Your son or daughter will be further tested during school time on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March and again on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March. On their third test they will be given a home testing kit to enable them to test themselves twice weekly at home as per government guidelines.

As the examination years will not be tested until Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, the school buses will not be running that Monday morning but will leave as normal on Monday evening. Face to face teaching will follow the timetable your son or daughter had at the beginning of the academic year. Classes will be taught in separate year group bubbles, with separate toilet facilities, dining areas and one-way systems. Please ensure your son or daughter has a supply of face coverings to be worn around the school as necessary.

Please ensure that your son or daughter is prepared for the commencement of a full academic timetable, which will begin on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, Period 1, with all their books and equipment and proceed through the correct door directly to their form base.

I look forward to greeting them and the school community being back together as one. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Hardcastle'.

Ms Annie Hardcastle  
Deputy Head