

# St Mary & St John CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are still enjoying having all the children back in school and it's lovely to see so many of you on the gates in the morning and afternoon. The term continues to run smoothly with our year group bubbles. Our measures to use social distancing to minimise the virus spread are to use year group bubbles which do not mix with other year groups. This will enable us to isolate bubbles if there is a confirmed case of Covid – 19. Our children are staying sensibly in their bubbles and we are pleased with how well our bubbles are working !

Moving the Year 3 entry and exit gate to the one at the side on Meadow Lane has relieved some of the pressure in the turning circle at the bottom of Bedford Street. This is making for a smoother beginning and end of the day and thank you for your support with this. Once again, we urge you not to drive to the bottom of Bedford Street, and use the car park off Donnington Bridge Road or park on one of the streets near school.

There is currently a massive amount of chat about Covid- 19 and what to do, including testing. Our advice follows government guidelines and here it is again:

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If you have any of the symptoms above, stay at home and arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19. Please also inform the school office.

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, self-isolate for at least 10 days from when your symptoms started. You should arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19. Please arrange a test at [Covid19 test link](#)

**It is very important that you notify the school if any member of your household have tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19).**

**From Monday to Friday please contact the school office as soon as possible on 01865723841 (7.30am – 5.00pm) or e mail [office.3834@ssmj.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3834@ssmj.oxon.sch.uk).**

**At the weekend please email: [covid19report@ssmj.org](mailto:covid19report@ssmj.org) (this email is only for notifying the school of a confirmed case).**

The following link provides further information of when and how to be tested:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

The information above is also on the front page of our website.

Best wishes, Liz Burton