



# St Thomas & St Anne's CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

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#### **Re: Pupils accessing childcare provision**

Every child attending the provision will need to be dropped off and collected by a parent; this is essential the first time they attend. We will be kindly asking to see appropriate work ID at either drop off or collection throughout this week. After that, please let us know if an alternative adult/older sibling is dropping off or collecting. **All children will need to be collected by an appropriate adult.** Walking home alone has been suspended for Year 6. If you are asking another adult at home to collect, or a sibling who has reached adulthood, please consider if they could supervise your child at home.

We are offering childcare for your child in the event that you have no safe alternative. If they can stay at home, they **must** stay at home - the school provision should only be used as the last resort. **Please only attend specific sessions that you are working. This is not childcare for five days a week if you do not work five days a week.** We appreciate that there may have been a misunderstanding about this, but hopefully this provides more clarity. We are not continuing with the curriculum; the children will be following work set in their Home Learning packs independently, but supervised by a skeleton staff at school.

We will be maintaining social distancing as much as we are able to. This means children will sit apart and will be discouraged from sharing equipment. Children will be asked to wash their hands upon arrival into school and at other key points throughout the day.

When you drop your child off at school or collect them, please observe social distancing from other parents and children.

#### Please follow the following guidelines when accessing this emergency provision:

1. Provide your child with a lunchbox (if not having a school meal), water bottle and fruit or snacks (no nuts). They may bring squash in their water bottle if they wish.
2. They need to wear sensible, comfortable clothes that they can go outside in and take part in physical activity.
3. Ensure your child washes their hands before leaving home for school.
4. We would advise that your child's clothes are washed after a day in school and that they shower/bath when they get back from being in school.
5. Please take them directly home from school and keep them there. They should not be playing out or visiting friends or family

If your child displays any symptoms, they will be placed in a separate room and you will be contacted immediately to collect them to be in self-isolation at home along with other family members.

Please be aware that the school care is vulnerable to sudden closure. We will do everything we can to stay open but we have to ensure that our school remains safe.

Please note that our childcare is a flexible provision. Please only use the provision when you absolutely have to. You can drop them off late and collect them early to fit in with work and shift patterns.

Our primary aim is to keep them as safe as possible and minimising their contact with one another is paramount. **Please only use school for care if there is genuinely no alternative.**

Thank you for your ongoing co-operation with the emergency planning measures that we have in place.

Best Regards,

Kate Budd