



# St. Jérôme Church of England Bilingual Primary School

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To All Parents / Carers

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Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been wonderful to continue to welcome children back to school and to see them settling into the new routines at school. We have been extremely impressed with the children's behaviour and enthusiasm for learning. You will receive further information from teachers today about home learning and we will be sending reading books home from the beginning of next week. Thank you for returning any school books from home. If you have any books please continue to return them.

We were delighted to welcome children in Reception to school full time this week. We are so pleased with how they have settled and are enjoying life at St Jérôme School. We know that you will extend the warmest of welcomes to families joining the school.

## Important Health and Safety Information

We would like to thank parents for your cooperation and support with arriving to collect your children at the designated times and following the one-way system. When waiting outside the school please be very careful not to block the entrance and driveway to Active Time Nursery opposite. You can wait safely on the grass verge or in front of Beds Are Uzzz.

At collection time please support us by observing the following points in our risk assessment:

- One parent / adult to collect please
- We recommend that parents wear a face covering
- Please arrive during the time slot for your child's year group to help us reduce mixing between year group bubbles
- Please join the line for your child's class and leave the playground by following the one-way system
- Please avoid congregating or waiting in the playground once you have collected. We regret that we cannot allow parents to wait in the playground between slots.

- Please ensure that your children remain with you at all times once collected
- If you bring a bicycle please dismount and walk with your bicycle in the school playground
- If you need to bring a pushchair please follow the directions of staff who will direct you to avoid the ramp and steps.



The school has received a number of calls from the public about parking outside the school during drop off and pick up times. Please do not park on double yellow lines outside school when dropping off or collecting. This area is monitored by CCTV. If you need to drive to school please park away from the immediate school site and walk.

### **School Uniform**

Children look extremely smart in their school uniform. We do not have fixed dates for summer or winter uniform so please continue to select the most appropriate clothing for the weather and remember to send in a coat. Please ensure that every item that comes into school is clearly named. PE kits should come in to school on a Monday and will be returned to you on a Friday.

### **Tissues**

We would welcome donations of boxes of tissues for use in classrooms. Please bring these at drop off or collection and we will ensure they are always available in classrooms.



## School Meals and Snacks

Please ensure you order a school meal every day and once the option is selected you confirm and save. Your account is not debited (parents in Years 3 and 4 only) until a meal has been served. If you have any difficulty please contact the school office by email or telephone. Please only send fruit or vegetable snacks and please ensure your child has a clean filled water bottle each day.

## Absence

If your child is unwell please do not come to school and contact the school as soon as possible. In the first instance this should be by phone (option 1) or email [office@stjeromebilingual.org](mailto:office@stjeromebilingual.org). If your child, or any member of your household develops symptoms of coronavirus please remain at home and contact NHS111 for advice. You may be advised to arrange a test and if this is the case you must inform the school of the outcome of the test.

A reminder of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- **A high temperature** – this means feeling hot to touch on your chest or back and a temperature above 37.5c.
- **A new continuous cough** – coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – the individual cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Thank you for your support and cooperation. We wish you an enjoyable weekend.



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