



Friday 14th May 2021  
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## *St Osyth Church of England Primary School News*

*'Love one another as I have loved you.'*

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Changes to out COVID19 related risk assessment.

You will know that we have constantly kept our COVID19 risk assessment under review and adjusted it as necessary. This has contributed to **no 'bubbles' being sent home at all in all the time since March last year. This is a massive achievement and we thank parents and carers for their support with this.**

With the latest national announcement and the low local numbers of confirmed cases, it is now time for us to again **review our risk assessment. Parents and carers are invited to contribute to this review.** They can do so by emailing or writing their suggestions and comments to me, no later than 28th May. Emails should be sent to schooloffice.stosyth@dcvst.org and written suggestions and comments handed in to the school office. Our current thinking is to relax or remove lower impact risk control measures in a measured way. For example, we may remove the compulsory wearing of masks on the school site by parents and carers, when dropping off and picking up children.

**Until we have completed our review, during the half term holiday, all the current measures remain in place.** Therefore, parents are to only enter the site through our main gate. The rear alley way remains one way, **parents and carers are to wear face masks when on site** (unless for health reasons this is not possible) etc. This is important because it helps to keep everyone safe. There is an **extra importance to this—Year 6 have a 5 day/4 night residential which starts in about ten days time.** We can not afford for their to be any outbreak of COVID 19 amongst these children or amongst the staff due to attend the trip.

**Again, we thank parents and carers for their cooperation with these matters.**

### Help keep your children safe when online.

Some children are using the app Discord—this appears to have increased hugely during lockdown. If you don't know what Discord is have a look on the NSPCC NetAware site <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/discord/> . Essentially it's a chat app (video and text). Prior to lockdown it wasn't common although usage was increasing amongst gamers. The app is now being used by an increasing number of children. It seems that children are increasingly using this app because their parents won't let them use WhatsApp. **No primary school aged child should be using WhatsApp or any other private chat room apps.**

Children will commonly talk about 'private servers', they're referring to what you and I would call a private chat room. Please note that Playstation are integrating Discord chat into the Playstation so the likelihood is that we will see usage increase significantly when this happens, which is likely to be towards the end of the year.

*Best Regards,  
Mr M Carter-Tyburnell  
(Headteacher)*

We have three time slots for children to be brought in and collected from school.

Start of day:

Years 5 and 6 - **8.35am**

Years 3 and 4 - **8.40am**

Reception, Years 1 and 2 - **8.45am**

End of day:

Reception, Years 1 and 2 - **3.05pm**

Years 3 and 4 - **3.10pm**

Years 5 and 6 - **3.15pm**



**All parents and carers are to wear a face mask when they are on the school site.**

For each family, only one adult per day to bring children into school and adults are not to congregate on or near the school premises.

**School dinners - bookings can now be made up to May half term.**



Dinner bookings need to be made online, please select your meal choices and add the items to the basket before proceeding to the checkout. If your child is eligible for free school meals or universal infant free school meals you also need to complete the checkout process but you will not be charged.

**If you think you may be eligible for free school meals please contact the school office for a form.**

Everyone is reminded not to park on the zig zag lines outside school and also to be considerate to all our neighbours and not to block their driveways.



All children must have a full **named** PE kit in school every day.

**PE Kit: Black shorts**

**White t-shirt**

**Plimsols**



**Additional items allowed for outside: Plain tracksuit bottoms, top and trainers**

Children can wear a Fitbit (or similar) to school, but it is their responsibility to keep it safe during the day.

**All watches, Fitbits and earrings need to be removed for P.E lessons.**

### Lost Property

Please ensure that all uniform is named, in order for it to be returned to your children.



This also applies to coats and lunch boxes.



**Breakfast Club** is open from 7.45am for **all ages**, costing **£3.00 per session**.

Please accompany your children into the school office, the children have breakfast and a chance to play, whilst staying within their phase bubble. If you unexpectedly need to use Breakfast Club your child can be booked in on arrival, but payment must be made before the end of the day.



**These sessions must be booked and paid for on school money in advance.**



If your child is unable to attend an afterschool club please let the office staff know in advance.

Otherwise you will get a phone call to find out where they are.

This is for the safety of our children, particularly those who have permission to walk out at the end of the school day.



# Clubs w/b 17th May 2021

All clubs are for registered children only

Reception, Year 1 and 2 finish at 4pm / Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 finish at 4.15pm

	Club	Years	From	To	Lead by
Monday	Multi-Skills	1&2	12 <sup>th</sup> April	24 <sup>th</sup> May	Mr Carvalho
Monday	Dodgeball	5&6	12 <sup>th</sup> April	24 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Salmon
Monday	Athletics	3&4	19 <sup>th</sup> April	24 <sup>th</sup> May	External Coach
Tuesday	Rounders	3&4	13 <sup>th</sup> April	25 <sup>th</sup> May	Mr Carvalho
Tuesday	Science	5&6	13 <sup>th</sup> April	25 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Sowton
Tuesday	Lego Club	Reception	20 <sup>th</sup> April	25 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Esparon
Tuesday	Gardening & Chickens	3&4	13 <sup>th</sup> April	25 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Gildersleeves and Mrs Tibbets
Thursday	Football	1&2	15 <sup>th</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	Mrs Antoniou and Mrs O'Reilly
Thursday	French Club	1&2	15 <sup>th</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	Mrs Rivas-Long
Thursday	Weaving and Sewing	3&4	15 <sup>th</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	Mrs Walton-Steed
Thursday	Football	5&6	15 <sup>th</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	Mr Carvalho
Thursday	Basketball	5&6	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	External Coach
Thursday	Lego Club	Reception	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Esparon
Friday	Rounders	5&6	16 <sup>th</sup> April	28 <sup>th</sup> May	Miss Oxley

## Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 20th May—special Census day lunch
- Monday 24th May - Friday 28th May - Isle of Wight Trip - Year 6 pupils
- Wednesday 26th May - Colne Valley Railway Trip - Reception pupils
- May half-term - Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021
- Inset Day / Non Pupil Day - Monday 7th June 2021
- Tuesday 8th June and Monday 14th June - Pioneer Sailing Trip - Year 5 pupils
- Thursday 24th June - West Stow Trip - Year 3 and 4 pupils
- Wednesday 7th July - Sports Day - TBC
- Summer holidays - last day in school is Wednesday 21st July 2021