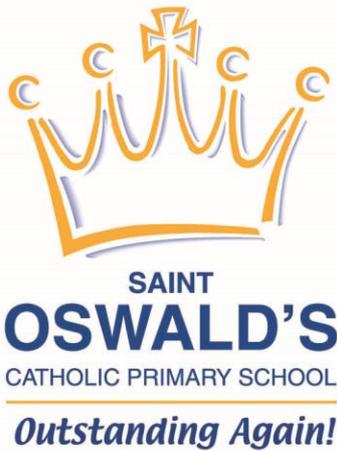


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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Wider opening of school for Year 1 and Year 6

Following Warrington Borough Council's announcement last Sunday that they were deferring the wider opening of schools on health and safety grounds, they have today confirmed that they now believe that it is safe for schools to open. Although the 'R' rate for the North West is still above 1, WBC have stated "that this is just one indicator."

You will be aware on Monday this week, the Government pulled their plans for the wider opening of schools. Despite these ever changing decisions we are now in a position to revert to our original plans and slowly accept pupils back into school from the priority year groups – Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 - during the summer term.

As the original plans were deferred by one week, it is expected that schools will now move their start date back by one week. In my original plan, Reception were to start week commencing 8 June; these children will now start week commencing 15 June. Year 1 were to start week commencing 22 June but this return date will now be pushed back to 29 June. Year 6 were to return week commencing 6 July, this will now be pushed back to 13 July.

As stated in my letter 1 June 2020, children will be returning to two days on site – for Year 1 this will be Thursday and Friday. To ensure that the school is adequately staffed and prepared, it is essential that parents of Year 1 children inform me of your intention to return or not return your child to school. Please do this by replying to the school text or by emailing me at stoswalds_primary_head@warrington.gov.uk by Friday 12 June. If I do not hear from you I will assume that you do not require a place in school for your child this term. **As soon as I know the number of Year 1 children who will be returning to school, I will contact parents again to confirm dates, times and drop-off/pick-up arrangements.** I will be asking for confirmation from Year 6 parents later.

I am sure you understand with the ever-changing guidance schools are receiving, school plans and arrangements may change again and this could be at short notice.



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Once again I take this opportunity to assure you of my best attention and thank you for your patience during these most unusual and uncertain times. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's Class Teacher, the school office or myself directly if you require any further information, help or assistance in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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