

## Information for Year 5 Children and Parents

### September 2021

The following information provides detailed guidance about what to expect when children return to school in September. There is a lot of information so please take some time to read and share with your children as appropriate.

**Children will begin school on Monday 6th September**

**The teacher for Curie Class is Miss Walton**

**the teacher for Hawking Class is Miss Hayden**



The Salt Building

#### **Building Names**

When arriving via the main gate, the smaller building to the left is **The Salt Building** and the larger building to the right is **The Aire Building**. Key Stage 2 children are based in The Aire Building.



The Aire Building

Children will go straight to their new classrooms on the first day in September. Teachers will be available during the first few days to meet and greet the children as they arrive.

#### **The School Day**

**In September, the school day will begin at 9:00am and finish at 3:30pm.**

**The doors will open at 8:50am.**

#### **The Start of the Day**

The doors will open ten minutes before the day is due to commence. Therefore in Year 5, the doors will open at 8:50am and children should be in their classrooms, ready to start the day at 9:00am.



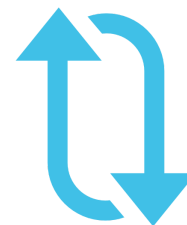
We will continue to use a one-way system for arrival and pick-up. Year 5 children and parents should enter the school site via the drive gate on Albert Road and leave via the gates at the top or bottom of the playground.

When you arrive at the school, Year 5 children and parents should wait at the bottom of the playground outside the upper shed of the Aire Building. When the doors open, school staff will greet the children as they enter the building and parents can say goodbye to their children. **Please let the office know if your Year 5 child will be coming to school or walking home by themselves.**

### **Entering the Building**

Children will enter the **The Aire Building** via the upper shed door.

Once inside the building, children should go straight to their own classroom, taking the first staircase to the first floor. At all other times, our one-way system will continue to be in use across the school and we will guide children in how to use this once they arrive. This will involve using one staircase to go upstairs and one to go downstairs. Children and staff will walk in a clockwise direction around the halls and balcony. This ensures calm and orderly movement around the building.



### **The End of the Day**

When children are being collected by parents, they will be brought out into the playground in their classes. Year 5 and Year 6 will be based inside an area marked by new blue barriers outside the upper shed of the Aire Building. Parents should enter the site and wait near this area. When teachers see that a parent has arrived, they will send their child to their parent. If children are walking home by themselves, they should leave the site at this point.



### **SPS Champions University**

On Friday's children will attend SPS Champions University from 1:30pm. This will begin on Friday 10th September. We are really looking forward to providing this broad and engaging enrichment programme. We will inform children of which club they are in during the first few days back. **Please let the office know if you would like your child to opt out of this programme with the arrangements in place to collect them at 1:30pm each Friday.**

### **Classrooms and 'Bubbles'**

Classes and year groups will no longer be organised into 'bubbles' although the majority of lessons will continue to take place in a Year 5 classroom. We will monitor this situation very closely during the early days of the new term. This means that we will be holding assemblies again in September. Children from different year groups will also be able to mix more easily. Our Year 5 children have been trained to become Play Pals and will be supporting Key Stage 1 children with their play at lunchtimes.

## Wraparound Care

Wraparound care will commence again on **Monday 6th September** running from 7:30am to 6:00pm, based in the Salt Building (Key Stage 1). All of the children will be able to attend wraparound together. Our wraparound care prices remain the same as for this academic year - £6 for breakfast club, £12 for after school. We will continue to provide breakfast and an evening meal.

## Face Coverings and Social Distancing

The government has removed the requirement to wear face coverings in law but expects and recommends that they are worn in enclosed and crowded spaces where you may come into contact with people you don't normally meet. We no longer expect parents and carers to wear face coverings when bringing their children to school and collecting as this takes place outside. However, we do ask that all members of the community continue to wear a face covering when entering and moving around the building or if a distance of 1 metre cannot be maintained, either inside or outside.

We ask all members of the community to respect a person's right to wear a face covering if they wish and ask everyone to continue to observe social distancing measures while on the school premises.

## School Uniform



We are so proud of our Salttaire Blue uniform as it represents being together as one big community. Children are expected to wear school uniform every day. I have attached a summary of the school uniform for you to refer to in preparation for the new year. On PE days, children must wear clothing as detailed on this document. Please ensure they do not wear football kits or branded sportswear. Trainers should be black wherever possible.

## School Dinners

We are able to provide school dinners for all of our children. Children in Year 5 will eat their lunch in the Aire Hall. Parents will be required to order and pay for their child's school meal using the ScoPay system. If you think you might be entitled to free school meals, please get in touch with the school office for further advice about how you can claim.



## Managing illness

**Attendance at school is compulsory for all children.** The school will follow absence procedures for all children attending school. If your child will be absent for any reason, please call the office or you can email school using the following new email address: [absence@salttaireps.co.uk](mailto:absence@salttaireps.co.uk) before 9:00am on the day of absence. Please note that the text service is no longer in use.

## Symptoms

**Any children or adults who display the symptoms of Coronavirus (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough, or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste) should not enter the school site.**

From 16 August 2021, children under the age of 18 years old will no longer be required to self-isolate if they are contacted by NHS Test and Trace as a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case.

Instead, children will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a PCR test. We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so.

**Please do not administer lateral flow tests on children as the results are not always accurate when used with primary-aged children. We ask that families inform us of the outcome of any PCR test as soon as possible.**

If someone tests negative, if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better. Other members of their household can stop self-isolating.

Further information about how to ask for a test can be found here: [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): getting tested](#)

## Government Guidance

Further updated information for parents from the Government regarding current school arrangements can be found here: [Step 4 update - what parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges](#)