



St Brigid's Parent Welcome Booklet

2020 / 2021

Useful Information for Parents and Carers

Thank you for choosing St Brigid's School. We realise that the transition into a new Primary can be a daunting experience. This booklet is designed to give you some important information about the school and to help both students and parents/carers in the first few weeks at St Brigid's School.

DATES

Autumn Term 2020

Tuesday 1st September	Staff Training
Wednesday 2nd September	Staff Training
Thursday 3rd September	Term Begins
Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct	Half Term Holiday
Friday 13th November	Staff Training
Sunday 29th November	Advent Service
Friday 18th December	Term Ends

Spring Term 2021

Monday 4th January	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 5th January	Term Begins
Mon 15th Feb – Fri 19th Feb	Half Term Holiday
Thursday 25th March	Term Ends
Friday 26th March	Staff Training Day

Summer Term 2021

Monday 12th April	Term Begins
Monday 3rd May	Early May Bank Holiday
Mon 31st May – Fri 4th June	Half Term Holiday
Tuesday 20th July	Term Ends

Dates for Parents' Evening can be found on the school website.

THE SCHOOL DAY

08.40	PUPILS EXPECTED IN SCHOOL
08.50 - 09.15	Morning Registration
9.15 – 10.30	Lesson 1
10.30-10.45	Break
10.50-12.00	Lesson 2
12.00 – 1.00	Lunch
1.00-2.15	Lesson 3
2.15-2.30	Break
2.30-3.20	Lesson 4

Staff

Headteacher	Mrs L Crimes
Head of Primary School	Mrs G Newnham
Year 3	Miss B Worthington
Year 5	Mr S Hughes

UNIFORM

BLAZER – Green with red trim and school logo – to be worn all Year.

SHOES – Black, **leather** and with a low heel

Autumn and Spring Term – All pupils

- Shirt – White, cotton button up neck with collar with red tie with green stripe
- Pullover – Green with school logo
- Scarf – Red and Green stripe
- Coat – Monkhouse green, Waterproof reversible fleece / Kagool – available locally at Threads of Denbigh

Autumn and Spring Term – Girls

- Skirt – Margaret Rose Tartan Kilt (knee length)
- Socks/Tights – Bottle Green
- Trouser – Grey cotton (tailored style)

Autumn and Spring Term – Boys

- Trouser - Grey cotton (not cargo or skinny style)
- Socks – Long green with red band with shorts, grey with long trousers

Summer Term – Girls

- Shirt – White short sleeved shirt with revere collar or white short sleeved shirt with red tie or white polo shirt with school logo
- Skirt – Margaret Rose Tartan Kilt (knee length)
- Trouser – Grey cotton (tailored style)
- Socks – White ankle

Summer Term – Boys

- Shirt - White short sleeved shirt with red tie or bottle green polo with school logo
- Shorts/Trouser – Grey Flannel
- Socks – Grey ankle

PE Kit – Girls & Boys

- Shirt – * Badged black& red T-Shirt or Polo Shirt
- Shorts/Skort – * Badged black & red
- Socks - Black football socks or white sports socks
- Jumper – * Badged black & red hoodie

All Pupils – Trainers (**Not converse style pumps**) – * Available from Forrester Sports, Mold www.forrestersports.co.uk

All uniform must be clearly labelled. Failure to do this will make it very difficult for items to be returned to you.

Second hand uniform

St Brigid's School holds a wide selection of good quality second hand uniform. Please contact Mrs Rosenwould in school Reception if you wish to purchase any second-hand uniform. This will also be on sale on days when the school outfitters are in school. Uniform is an important area, which helps to set the standards. You have a list, but this does not always ensure that uniform is worn correctly. You can help us by checking that your child leaves home wearing uniform correctly. This includes jewellery.

Parent / Carer Contact Details

At the beginning of the school year school will issue all pupils data collection and health forms and we ask that you always return these as soon as possible. This information is held with us and is used for contacting Parents. It is vital it is always up to date for use in emergencies and when children are unwell.

Parentpay

Parentpay enables you to pay for lunch, trips etc online. You will receive information with account activation details prior to your child/children starting to enable you to log in and set your account up.

School letter and Reports

At present school letters and reports are sent home via pupil post. This is due to change and we will write to all Parents in the new term to inform them of the new report communication channel.

Free School Meals

Free school meal information can be found at www.denbighshire.gov.uk

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are not allowed to be used in school. They must always be turned off during the school day. If pupils need to contact parents they must do so at the school office. Primary pupils must hand mobile phones in to their class teacher at the beginning of each school day and collect them at the end of the day.

Attendance

Good school attendance is key to helping children have the best possible start in life to support and maximize their potential learning opportunities. There is clear evidence which links educational achievement to good school attendance. The proper place for you to be on a school day is at school. If you are not in school then you must have a justifiable reason and your parents should telephone the school before 08.40am on the first day of absence. They should continue to contact us whilst you remain absent. Failure to contact school will result in a telephone call from our First Contact Officer.

Term Time Leave

In line with Denbighshire County Council's attendance policy, no holiday will be authorised in term time.

Please also refer to the School's Attendance Policy for further information.

E safety - When using school computers and the internet:

Do	Don't
✓ Do: Stick to the task your teacher has set for you	× Don't: Download material without your teacher's permission
✓ Do: Use the computers and the internet for educational purposes only	× Don't: Browse inappropriate material
✓ Do: Use the computers safely	× Don't: Open pop-ups or follow non-educational links
✓ Do: Report anything that makes you feel uncomfortable or that you think is wrong	× Don't: Use online shopping sites
✓ Do: Be polite	× Don't: Access social media without your teacher's permission and supervision
✓ Do: Be responsible	× Don't: Visit websites to which your teacher did not direct you
✓ Do: Choose your search terms carefully	× Don't: Encourage others to access inappropriate material
✓ Do: Access only age-appropriate websites	× Don't: Cyber-bully others
✓ Do: Keep your username and password to yourself	× Don't: reveal personal information about yourself or others online

BULLYING

Bullying is repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons.

If you are being bullied:

- Try to stay calm and look as confident as you can.
- Be firm and clear – look them in the eye and tell them to stop.
- Get away from the situation as quickly as possible.
- Tell a teacher, another adult in your school or a member of your family
- If you are scared to tell an adult by yourself, ask a friend to come with you
- Keep speaking up until someone listens and does something to stop the bullying.
- Don't blame yourself for what has happened

When you're talking to an adult about bullying, be clear about

- ☐ What has happened to you?
- ☐ How often it has happened.
- ☐ Who was involved?
- ☐ Who saw what was happening.
- ☐ Where it happened.
- ☐ What you have done already.

For issues concerning attendance, behaviour, uniform and progress you should speak to your HEAD OF PRIMARY or HEAD OF FOUNDATION PHASE. If a parent or child feel that the matter hasn't been resolved, the following people are available: DEPUTY HEAD & HEADTEACHER
If you need further information please refer to the Schools Anti Bullying Policy which can be found on the school website – www.st-brigids.co.uk



We look forward to welcoming
you to St Brigid's School in
September.

If you have any further
questions please contact school
01745 815228 or check our
website at www.st-brigids.co.uk.