



# St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

It was absolutely wonderful to see the vast majority of children in Years 5 and 6 return to school this morning. They have all settled well into their new classrooms and adapting to our "new normal" way of doing things.

As I said last week, arrangements for drop off and collection may need to be tweaked going forward. It is very important that you **arrive at the specified time** for drop off, this is to reduce the amount of children, ensure that they are safe and reduce the risk of bubbles mixing. We would ask that you form a line on the path, adhering to social distancing guide lines and do not lean on/sit on our neighbours walls or fences and avoid standing in the road. We appreciate that this entrance is not ideal as it is so close to the road, however, there should not be any traffic during these times as Commonside East falls within a School Street Safety Zone. We will be contacting them to see if any additional measures can be put in place.

For collection this afternoon, please **arrive at your specified time**, enter the school via the pedestrian gate **wearing a face covering**, your child will come to you and you will both exit via the vehicle gate.

## Reminder of timings:

	Arrival	Dismissal
Year 5	8.50am	3.00pm
Year 6	9.00am	3.10pm

Please ensure you keep to the timings, if you are late and arrive after your time, you may have to wait until the next year group has safely come onto site before you can come in.

We will continue to review and adapt our arrangements as necessary, having the children's safety as our main priority.

I thank you once again for your continued support and patience with us. We are navigating ourselves through unprecedented times and will always have safety of the children, staff and parents at the centre of all we do.

I am looking forward to a fantastic school year!

Kind regards

**Mrs M. Tucker**

**Acting Head Teacher**