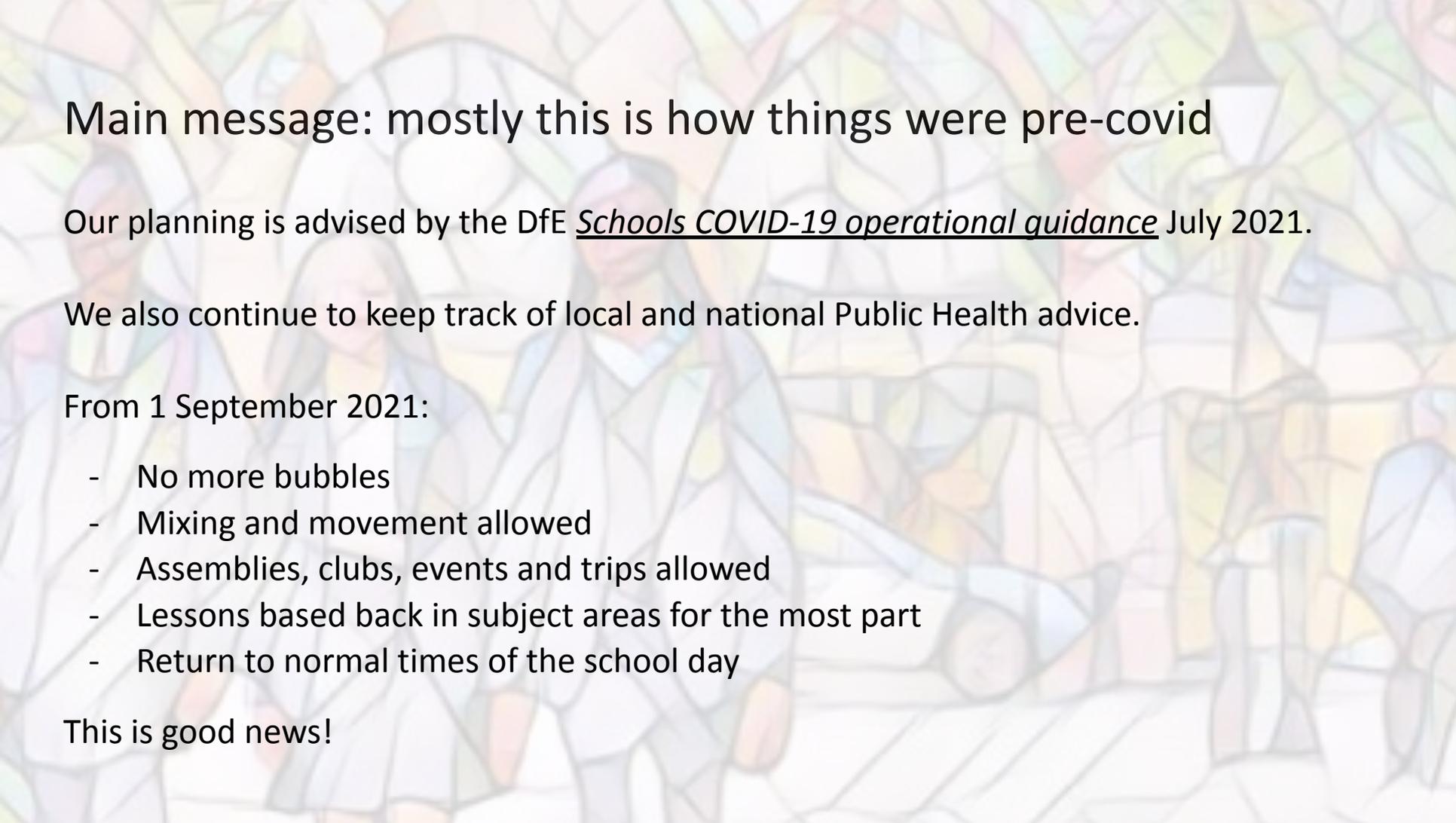




The St Marylebone CE School Operational plans for September 2021

Message for students, parents and carers, July 2021



Main message: mostly this is how things were pre-covid

Our planning is advised by the DfE *Schools COVID-19 operational guidance* July 2021.

We also continue to keep track of local and national Public Health advice.

From 1 September 2021:

- No more bubbles
- Mixing and movement allowed
- Assemblies, clubs, events and trips allowed
- Lessons based back in subject areas for the most part
- Return to normal times of the school day

This is good news!

Return to normal times of the school day

Registration*	8:30-8:50
Period 1	8:50-9:45
Period 2	9:45-10:40
Break	10:40-11:00
Period 3	11:00-11:55
Period 4	11:55-12:50
Lunch	12:50-13:40
Period 5	13:40-14:35
Period 6	14:35-15:30
After 3.30	Clubs and activities

Staggered dismissal and two gates to help with traffic:

3.15pm: Year 7 leaves

3.20pm: Year 8 and Year 10 leave

3.25pm: Year 9 leaves

3.30pm: Years 11, 12, 13 leave

50 minute lunch break enables clubs and events

Same same but different

Lunches:

- More info in early September
- Hot and cold lunch service with given times to reduce queueing
- 6th Form canteen in refurbished common room
- Planning for improved dining facilities at High Street site underway

Coats and cloakrooms:

- Cloakrooms back in use
- Coats (plain black, named please) go into cloakrooms, not carried around school

Uniform - full list on website

- Full school uniform and kit, as usual
- School blazers, school skirt, school trousers
- No trainers
- On days when students have PE or Dance, they can wear full proper PE or Dance kit all day, with blazer outside of PE or Dance.
- Plain black leggings can be worn under skirt at any time of year.
- Club requiring kit at lunch? Change at lunch and then can stay in kit
- Club requiring kit after school? Change after school
- 6th Form dress code to be shared with Years 12 and 13 ahead of term

Ventilation and cleaning

Schools are asked to:

- keep spaces well-ventilated
Windows, doors, air purifiers, movement and use of outdoor space
- maintain good hygiene
Hand-sanitisers at entrances and in all rooms
- maintain good cleaning
Sustained cleaning during school day

What if someone gets covid?

The DfE Guidance tells us:

Anyone with covid symptoms or a positive covid test should *“follow public health advice on when to self-isolate and what to do.*

They should not come into school if they have symptoms, have had a positive test result or other reasons requiring them to stay at home due to the risk of them passing on COVID-19.”

We should send home any students who we think have covid symptoms.

If in doubt, please contact NHS 119.

What if my child is a contact of someone who tests positive?

The DfE Guidance tells us:

Close contacts will be identified via NHS Test and Trace. Schools will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing. This is from 19 July 2021.

From 16 August 2021, children under 18 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 will keep staff, students and parents / carers informed about positive cases as appropriate and as advised. We do not have any advice on this currently.

What if ... ?

If there is a covid outbreak in the School or the local area, we will follow advice from the local Public Health team and / or DfE guidance or direction.

This is likely to mean a mixture of on-site and online learning, additional protective measures on-site and / or home learning.

The DfE says: *“Given the detrimental impact that restrictions on education can have on children and young people, any measures in schools should only ever be considered as a last resort, kept to the minimum number of schools or groups possible, and for the shortest amount of time possible.”*

The School will have an updated Risk Assessment for September which will be made available.

On-site LFD (Lateral Flow Device) testing

We are planning to be able to offer on-site testing at the start of term to each year group, as done in March this year.

This means we have to do a more staggered start to Term 1.

Testing is not mandatory. Some may prefer to test at home or at a local test centre. Some may prefer not to test. We do recommend testing before returning to school and maintaining twice weekly home-testing. No-one is forced or obliged to test.

6th Formers can give consent to on-site testing for themselves. Parent / carer consent must be given for children under 16. Please look out for a message about this.

A decision will be made in late August as to whether there remains a case for us offering on-site testing, based (eg) on the numbers signed up and local / national conditions.

Staggered start to Term 1

Date	On-site testing offered to:	Students in lessons
Fri 3 Sept	Year 7 and Year 12	No-one
Mon 6 Sept	Year 11 and Year 13	Year 7 and Year 12 induction
Tuesday 7 Sept	Year 9 and Year 10	Year 7, 11, 12, 13 induction
Weds 8 Sept	Year 8	Everyone except Year 8
Thurs 9 Sept	-	Everyone
Fri 10 Sept	-	Everyone
Mon 13 Sept	-	Everyone ... and so onwards ...

Over the summer ...

- Personal safety for students: guidance Weds 21 July in Forms
- Inform NHS Test and Trace of positive covid test results
- Follow NHS 119 advice
- Look out for messages from school about on-site testing, if you wish to consent
- Sustain home-testing
- Reading and transition materials shared with all students
- Look out for our new website
- GCSE and A-Level students receiving grades in August: look out for messages from the Examinations Office
- Enjoy the summer!

As we come to the end of a school year like no other, we'd like to hear from parents and carers.

The full St Marylebone experience has not been possible since March 2020, with limitations on events, enrichment, performances, concerts, exhibitions, trips, interaction between year groups, church services, cultural celebrations, sports and so many other things which we know make St Marylebone marvellous. That said, we hope to have got some things right and to have done our best to serve the students and keep the school going during the global pandemic. We also hope for an easing of restrictions which enables our school to function fully and flourish in the new school year.

We are sharing a survey with parents and carers, seeking your views on what has gone well and how we can do better. The survey is linked in the message with this video.

Thank you for your support.