



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parent/ Carer

I hope you have all had a restful half term break. As you will all be aware, following the Prime Minister's announcement on Saturday evening the country is preparing to move into a second lockdown on Thursday November 5th.

We will all have different opinions and feelings regarding this but I would like to reassure you that school will continue to adhere to all guidance and recommendations that come from the government in order to make school as safe as possible.

As a school we will continue to:

- Be organised into bubbles for teaching and break times
- Stagger start and finish times
- Stagger break and lunchtimes
- Sanitise and wash hands regularly

The staff of St. Joseph's work tirelessly to ensure your child experiences outstanding learning opportunities whilst keeping them safe. The creativity of staff is often overwhelming and we are constantly looking for ways to allow your child to experience life during such challenging times.

The purchase of 13 webcams has allowed our weekly Celebration Assembly to take place and share the success of our pupils together as a school family. During October we prayed The Rosary together on a Wednesday morning. The peaceful and prayerful atmosphere was felt throughout school.

As we move into November we will be sharing Remembrance Day in a similar way and remembering loved ones that have passed away.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and ask that as parents and carers you continue to:

- Follow the one way system within the school grounds
- Maintain 2 metre distance with other parents
- Only have 1 adult collect/ drop off a child
- Leave the school premises as soon as your child is collected/ dropped off – do not wait with other parents
- Wear a face mask if you need to visit the School Office
- Stand clear of doorways and entrances
- Keep toddlers and young children close to you whilst waiting for older siblings.

In addition to these we have been asked by Middlesbrough Council to advise parents/ carers to wear masks in the playground whilst collecting/ dropping off pupils. We would be very grateful if you could adhere to this advice to help with the control and spread of the virus.

Love one another, as I have loved you

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The virus has affected us all in different ways and we need to support each other through these unprecedented times.

School is always willing to support, reassure and advise any query or uncertainty you may have. Please contact the school office or email enquiries@stjosephscp.npcat.org.uk with any concerns.

Take Care and Stay Safe

Mrs King

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