



All Saints' CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we are now a few weeks into term, I would like to thank you all for the incredible and warm welcome that I have received from you all and to say how impressed I am with how hard your fabulous children are working despite the fact that some classes are not being taught in their classrooms.

Covid Update

I have received a number of messages from concerned parents regarding COVID. Can I reassure you all, that although some of the school community have tested positive for COVID, we do not have a large enough number of cases to activate the first phase of our outbreak plan. Having consulted with the DfE COVID helpline daily, their current advice is to continue to follow the government guidance that we implemented when the children returned at the start of the academic year: regular handwashing, well-ventilated spaces and regular staff testing. All staff carry out two lateral flow tests a week and although it is not government guidance for primary aged children to do this, I am asking you to consider doing the same with your children at this time.

If your child has a continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss of taste or smell, we ask that you book a PCR test immediately and keep your child at home until they receive a negative result. Likewise, if your child has a positive result on a lateral flow test, please obtain a PCR test straight away. These are the only circumstances under which your child should self-isolate. Even if a member of your household has a positive COVID result, any children with negative PCR results should still come to school. The best place for your children to be, is at school.

If it were deemed that the school did have a 'COVID outbreak', we would be asked by the DfE to take further actions to protect the school community. I would share this advice with you immediately, but in the meantime, we have been told to continue taking the precautions that we are already taking.

Harvest Festival

This year, we will be hosting the school's Harvest Festival in All Saints' Church on **Monday 11th October at 2pm**. Each class will perform a harvest song and Reverend Richard Fisher will lead the service. We hope that as many of you as possible can join us for the first Christian celebration of the school year, however if COVID numbers rise, the Harvest Festival service will take place in school but we will of course take advice from the DfE nearer the time.

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As a school, we will be supporting the church by making donations to Outreach for Wolverhampton, which is a fantastic charity that supports the homeless. If you wish to make a donation, the charity have requested the following items: tinned food items, breakfast cereals, long life milk, tea, coffee, tinned meat for sandwiches, biscuits and crisps. Please send any donations into school by Friday 8th October.

Parent-Teacher Consultations

I would like to invite you all to attend a Parent-Teacher Consultation meeting with your child's teacher on either **Tuesday 19th October** or **Thursday 21st October**. I will be in touch nearer the time regarding how to make the appointment and whether we are able to meet in person.

RHE/PSHE

As you will be aware, New Statutory Guidance for RHE (Relationship and Health Education) came into force in September 2020. Previous correspondence from the school provided information on the content taught in each year group and how we approach the teaching of the statutory and non-statutory content. As a school we updated our PSHE policy and adapted our scheme of work in 2019/2020 and invited feedback from parents. As full consultation proved difficult due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we would like to give parents further opportunity to provide feedback on our SRE/PSHE curriculum. Our PSHE/SRE whole school scheme is 1 Decision which provides age appropriate teaching of the RSE curriculum. A scheme overview and sample resources can be viewed here

<https://www.1decision.co.uk/resources/parent-carer-zone>

Your child will be bringing home a letter with a full breakdown of the content taught at each stage of your child's education and how this scheme is further enhanced through workshops and the School Nurse Service throughout the year. If you wish to make a comment on this content, please do so on the parents' page provided. I will also be holding an information evening should any parent request this. Therefore, please indicate on the letter if you would be interested in attending a meeting of this nature.

Please remember, my door is always open should you wish to discuss the content of this letter further or any other matter concerning the education of your child.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of School

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