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'Loving God in all we do'

Friday September 11th

Dear parents and carers,

Our children have again been exceptional in their behaviour this week throughout school. Their enthusiasm and energy for learning enables the school to thrive. All our staff continue to reinforce the essential message of hand washing and reducing social gatherings. I will be repeating this message every staff meeting and through every newsletter as we continue to manage our way through these times. As we all begin to relax a little more, there is a danger that we forget to maintain these essential routines. It is my job to remind everyone.

The key messages we are continually promoting are as follows:

- Ensuring good hand washing routines using soap and hot water.
- Adults and children to maintain a 2 metre distance wherever possible.
- Parents and children not to gather at the start or end of the day on the school grounds.

We all work together extremely well at St Anne's to care for all our children, staff and families. Over the next few months, we will continue our work by following these simple key messages. I thank you all for fully supporting St Anne's school community.

We will be uploading the children's Knowledge Organisers next week to enable families to share in their child's learning. Next week, a 'Virtual Tour' of our school will be available through the website. Unfortunately, we are unable to hold our open afternoon this term and we hope the virtual tour provides you with another insight into our school. We will need to follow all Government advice regarding what we are able to organise for our children and families. We are restricted to provide only the essential aspects of school life.

Teachers will begin to use Class Charts from next week to award your child with behaviour points. Your child's login details are the same as last year. New children and parents have been sent their login details. Please log into your account regularly to celebrate your child's excellent behaviour.

If your child is unwell with symptoms of Covid, parents must keep their child at home and make plans for them to be tested. Any siblings would also need to stay off school until the outcome of the test is confirmed. Please communicate the outcomes with school. If children become ill during the school day, we will always phone parents to inform them. Please remember to inform the school as soon as possible if your child is absent by either phone or email.

It is very common in schools for children to have head lice. It is sensible for all parents to continually check their child's head for lice and use the correct treatments as required. Please also check for threadworms as this is also common in children. Please seek medical advice as required.

Headteacher: Mr P. Bates

Deputy Headteachers:

Mrs A. Birmingham & Mrs G. Cleary



I would like to reassure parents that we will do all we can to help our families who may well be struggling financially due to the consequences of Covid-19. When the Government's Furlough scheme ends, there may well be parents who face a sharp decline in their family incomes. People are proud and I do not intend to interfere in people's personal business. However, children are entitled to free school dinners etc if parental income drops below a certain threshold. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you require any advice or guidance.

Last year your child was given a 'Wednesday Word' every Wednesday. To reduce contact with paper, the Wednesday Word will be sent electronically to you each week.

Finally, I would like to wish all our children, families and staff a wonderful and very well deserved weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher