

St. Ignatius' Catholic School

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Dear Parents

As we end another term that has been far from normal, I would like to say a big thank you to all the school community for all your hard work and support. We have had large periods of remote learning for the majority of the children followed by three very successful weeks back in school. Let us hope and pray that the summer term is free of disruption.

I wish you all a happy and holy Easter.

Best wishes
Mr. Hough

Gospel Reflection - *Dom Henry Wansbrough*

Believing in the resurrection adds something very special to our lives and this cannot be found anywhere else. Jesus invited the disciples to believe and he makes that same offer to you and me.

Coronavirus

Parents of children at our school are now able to get a lateral flow COVID test themselves twice a week in order to lower community transmissions and help protect everyone. Test kits are **free** and can be collected from UCLAN's Berkley Street Car Park Testing Centre or they can be [ordered online](#) and posted to your address. The tests are simple to do and give you a result within 30 minutes. The lateral flow tests are for those who do not have any covid symptoms. [Anyone with COVID symptoms should book a PCR COVID test.](#)

Uniform

The children have all looked very smart on their return to school. If you do require any new uniform Top-One in the St. John's Shopping Centre are providing a click and collect service. You can contact them via email at toponeuniforms@gmail.com or by phone, on 01772 828616.

We appreciate many children will have grown out of shoes during lockdown and these make take time to replace. School shoes should be worn in school although trainers can be worn for playing on the yard. Shoes should be flat soled.

Earrings – Children are encouraged not to wear earrings for school. If ears have been recently pierced then studs should be worn.

Minutes Silence

On Tuesday everyone in school observed a minutes silence to remember all those who have lost their lives to Coronavirus.

Stations of the Cross

Thank you to all the children who observed The Stations of the Cross so respectfully this week. Pictures can be viewed via the [School website](#).

CAFOD

Thank you for your generous donations last week. Our non-uniform day raised £120 to help build wells in remote villages.

Library Books

Please ensure that all library books are returned on Monday each week. These can then be quarantined before the children choose new books later in the week.

Morning and After-School Club

Bookings can now be taken for these clubs. Each club is charged a rate of two pounds per session. Children will be kept in class bubbles. Please book places a week in advance.

Parish News

Mass will be celebrated at English Martyrs' Church at 5.30pm on Saturday, St. Joseph's Church on Sunday at 11.15am. Mass during the week is at 9am at St. Joseph's. Please follow COVID protocols to keep everyone safe.

First Holy Communion Update from Father Millar

Last year's programme was interrupted by the lockdown. The children had done about half of their catechism and were just about to make their first confessions before we stopped. Some children finished their catechism and made their first holy communion individually last summer. If your child had started their first communion preparation last year, and you want them to make it this year, please pick up a form from the back of church and hand it in to the presbytery (not school) before 12th April. Once we know numbers we can make a plan for what might be possible this year. More information will be provided once we know how many children we will have. For those children who have not begun their preparation, and wish to make their first communion this year, will be asked to register in the autumn.

Free School Meals:

Have your circumstances changed recently? Could you be eligible for Free School Meals? Get in touch with the Office if you feel you may [fulfil the criteria](#).

Parents of children who have received Edenred vouchers will receive a £30 voucher code via email on Monday 22nd March. This is a one-off voucher for the Easter holiday period.

Discovery Camp

Information about free online activities that are being run by Lancashire County Council are [available here](#).

Easter Holiday:

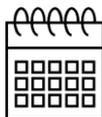
School re-opens on Monday 12th April at 8.45am.

★★★★★★★★★ Stars of the Week ★★★★★★★★★

Well done to the following children who have been chosen by their teachers to be this week's Stars of the Week:

	Star Worker	Star Member
EYFS	Alex	Hriyan
Year 1	Aisha	Anastazja
Year 2	Abel	M. Ali
Year 3	Eesa	Carla
Year 4	Zayan	Tymon

Year 5	Hamza D	Amina A
Year 6	Sriaditya	Amsah



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Holiday list 2020-2021

	First day open for pupils	Last day open for pupils
Autumn Term 1	Wednesday 2nd September	Thursday 22 nd October
Autumn Term 2	Monday 2 nd November	Thursday 17 th December
Spring Term 1	Monday 4 th January	Friday 12 th February
Spring Term 2	Monday 22 nd February	Friday 26 th March
Summer 1	Monday 12 th April May day: Monday 3 rd May	Friday 28 th May
Summer 2	Monday 7 th June	Friday 16 th July

Staff Training Days 2020-2021

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Friday 23rd October 2020

Friday 18th December 2020

Monday 19th July 2021

Tuesday 20th July 2021