

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents

"Your mind is a powerful thing. When you fill it with positive thoughts, your life will start to change."

Welcome back, I hope that you and your family have enjoyed a break from routine over half term and are feeling refreshed and ready to go. We are on the home stretch now; we have to stay positive that we will be looking back on COVID-19 very soon.

Thank you to those of you who responded to the parent survey last term. In my previous letter I thanked those of you who attend my zoom meetings and how important your views are. The survey clearly shares the difficulty of juggling the timings of these with work and also home schooling. Thank you so much for pointing this out – something I feel I should have been aware of. Due to this, I am now proposing to provide two opportunities every two weeks by holding a zoom meeting on a Thursday late afternoon and the usual Friday morning to give more chance for you to join me. So, the next meetings will be set for Thursday 4th March at 4.30pm and Friday 5th March at the usual time of 9.30am. It is so important to give you all the chance to join, to share any concerns and ask any questions that you have.

Mrs Eaborn's meeting for this week will still need to take place as scheduled at 10.00am this Wednesday 24th February, the aim for this meeting is to share ideas for topics of discussion. If you are unable to make this but do have ideas then please email the school office and your ideas can be passed to Mrs Eaborn. We can then plan a timetable for the meetings which will continue to take place every other week at present.

Your feedback on the remote learning experience for your children has proved to be really useful. Both the teaching staff and myself appreciate the daily challenges of motivating children to work at home. Being a parent myself I see this daily and particularly now going back to it for hopefully a short time. Please continue to communicate with your class teacher as much as you need to. We will always continue to strive to support all of our children in this as well as yourselves. Thank you again for your ongoing support and understanding!

This will be the first of many items of communication this week as we await the Prime Minister's announcement later today. You can be assured that I will bring St Joseph's back in the safest way possible and ensure that you have all of the right information at the right time.

Yours in faith and partnership

Mrs Louise Bury Headteacher













