

St Albert's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Friday, 18 September 2020

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Positive Cases

You will have received a letter yesterday stating that there is a positive case of COVID 19 in the school community. Please note that school remains open as this has not affected any of the bubbles or children. I appreciate that it may be stressful to you but this one of the difficulties of the time we find ourselves. Please rest assured that the school is vigilant and following all guidance.

Today, we have closed our Year 1 bubble and all Year 1 children were sent home to isolate for 14 days. Siblings and other family members do not have to isolate unless anyone develops symptoms. All parents received a letter with details and this is also on our website.

Year 1 will need to go onto Seesaw on Monday as work will be set. It is very important that the children access this work. We will also be sending some books home next week and will notify parents to come and collect them from school as appropriate.

In the event of any further positive cases (school staff or pupil) will we continue to work closely with our colleagues in Public Health and the Local Authority and will follow all advice. As a result, it may be necessary to close further individual or multiple bubble- if this is the case you will be informed via text or email as soon as is practicably possible and you will be asked to collect your child. Please make sure we have all your contact details.

IT equipment and Remote Learning

I would like to stress to parents the importance of ensuring that you have sorted some sort of IT device for your child for remote learning. In the event of a lockdown, either whole school or partial we will quickly move to remote learning and it is important that the children can access learning every day. We have been working with the children on our expectations for home learning and using the platforms. Please make sure that you are prepared and can support your children in this regard.

COVID Symptoms in Knowsley and masks

As you will be aware COVID is high in Knowsley at the moment. Please ensure that you socially distance at the gates and that you wear a mask when you come to school to collect your children or drop off your children. Although you are not entering the school grounds there is a potential to gather especially in the morning at the Haswell Drive gate. This is for your own safety and the safety of our community. Please support us in the matter.

Water Bottles

Please make sure that you send your child in everyday with a clearly labelled water bottle (juice is not allowed). We are having issues as children are bringing in indistinguishable bottles or shop bought bottles of water and we are then have trouble determining whose bottle is whose.

Communion

The rescheduled date for Y5 communion is now Friday 19th October at 2pm. Due to restrictions, there will only be 3 guests allowed. Fr David has sent a letter home with further details.



Y4 Communion Dates for your diary

The Reconciliation date for year 4 children will be Wednesday 24th March at 2pm
The communion date will be Saturday 3rd July at 10am.

Details regarding both will be sent to parents by Fr David shortly along with dates for parent sessions.

PE kits

Joggers have been ordered and should be delivered to school early next week. We will then distribute them. In the meantime children should continue to come into school in their PE kits.

PE days -Please note the altered days

- Y1 Tuesday and Thursday
- Y2 Tuesday and Thursday
- Y3 Monday and Friday
- Y4 Monday and Wednesday
- Y5 Tuesday and Wednesday
- Y6 Friday - swimming on Thursday (no need to be in PE kit)

Admission place for reception September 2021 - Baptism

If your child is due to begin school next year we would like to remind you that prompt action will be needed in organising a baptism, if this has not already taken place, if you wish for your child to be considered as a baptised catholic. It is important that baptism takes place prior to application. Contact your priest ASAP as we are aware that COVID may have disrupted this process.

COVID 19 - Parent Guide

Please see overleaf an easy to use guide for Parents/Carers when considering "What to do if"....

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COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) ABSENCE:
A quick guide for parents/carers

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
 <p>...my child has coronavirus symptoms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✓ Contact school ✓ Self-isolate ✓ Get a test ✓ Inform school immediately about test result 	<p>...the test comes back negative, the child feels well and they have not had a fever for 48 hours</p>
 <p>...my child tests positive for coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✓ Self-isolate for at least 10 days ✓ Inform school immediately about test result 	<p>...they feel better. They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has coronavirus symptoms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✓ Contact school ✓ Self-isolate ✓ Household member to get a test ✓ Inform school immediately about test result 	<p>...the household member test is negative</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has tested positive for coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✓ Contact school ✓ Self-isolate for 14 days 	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation</p>
 <p>...NHS test and trace have identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms or confirmed coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✗ Contact school ✗ Self-isolate for 14 days 	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation</p>
 <p>...we/my child travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</p>	<p>Term time holidays, including absence as a result of needing to quarantine, are unauthorised.</p> <p>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✓ Contact school ✓ Self-isolate for 14 days - even if a test is negative 	<p>...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed</p>
 <p>...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Do not come to school ✓ Contact school ✓ Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</p>
 <p>...I am not sure who should get a test for COVID -19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Only people with symptoms* need to get a test ✓ People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive 	<p>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</p>

* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste.

[nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus)

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