



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

In school we have begun preparing for Advent next week, a very special time for our school community. We are planning lots of wonderful in school opportunities for the children to celebrate this Christmas season. We understand that the Government's tier 3 announcement for Bristol may leave some of you anxious or worried. Please remember we are always here to help if you need anything.

We ask that you keep Mrs Kingston and her family in your prayers as she attends her Mum's funeral.

### **Coronavirus update:**

Thank you for your support in following the guidelines to help keep us all as safe as possible.

This is a polite reminder that all parent/carers have been asked to wear masks when dropping off or collecting children to reduce the risk of transmission of the virus.

So that we can continue to keep as many classes as possible open during this time I need to remind you that the most important rule at this time is **not to send your child or their siblings into school if they have any of the symptoms of coronavirus (Covid 19). You must stay at home and book a test. We will need to see evidence of a negative result before we can allow your child/ren to return.**

Please follow this link for further information:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-parents-and-guardians-when-you-should-book-a-coronavirus-test-for-your-child/letter-to-parents-and-guardians-when-you-should-book-a-coronavirus-test-for-your-child>



### **Online activity:**

Please make sure you monitor your child's activities online and you are aware of who they are interacting with. Please spend some time checking their settings to ensure they are private. Also, please remind your children that phone messages need to be as kind as face to face comments, and the block caller function should be used if someone is not following this rule.

### **Christmas Dinner:**

Please can all parents inform the office of which option their child would like for Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. The options are turkey, vegetable pastry slice, Halal or packed lunch. If you are in KS2 and do not receive free school meals, please pay £2.25 for this meal.

### **Christmas Productions:**

KS1 teachers have sent out letters this week about costumes for their class nativities. If you are unable to help with the costumes please let the class teacher know. The productions will be recorded to be watched virtually. More information will follow.

KS2 are also rehearsing for their virtual Carol Concert. No costumes are required.

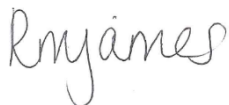
### **Attendance:**

We are currently reviewing individual attendance, unfortunately we have noticed that some children's attendance is causing concern. It is now mandatory for all children to attend school. If your child has had to self-isolate, this does not affect their attendance. We will be making contact with parents to discuss attendance over the next few weeks. If you have concerns with your child's attendance and would like to discuss this further, please call the office to make an appointment with Mrs James.

### **Community larder/fridge:**

If you need any support with food parcels please see Miss Sims. If you would like to donate to our community larder we always appreciate donations for those in need.

As always, thank you for your understanding and support.



Mrs James

### **Important Dates:**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term 2

