



Cardinal Langley RC High School

'An Outstanding Catholic School' S48, March 2017

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Dear Parent / Carer

I hope you had an enjoyable half term break.

There are a number of important updates at the start of term.

Ukraine Crisis

The events in Ukraine are likely to mean that many children are anxious and in need of reassurance. As a school we will try and answer any questions they may have about the current situation and to reassure and comfort children worried about relatives in the Ukraine or Russian. If your child is anxious, please discuss the situation with them and help them access age appropriate information e.g. BBC Newsround at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

Covid Guidance

Following the Government announcement last week, it is no longer recommended to complete the twice weekly lateral flow tests. Staff and students that have any symptoms are still expected to test, and if positive, stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days. The latest Government advice can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts>

If we are to keep Covid cases low, it is important to maintain good hand hygiene and follow the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' advice. At school there are hand sanitiser stations at entrances and on corridors and, in addition to improved ventilation, there are 29 air purifier units that remove virus particles from the air. As we move to the next stage of the pandemic, it is important that those with symptoms do not attend school. Staff and students are still encouraged to wear a face covering if they wish but these will not be routinely available from school.

Starting today, we will move to a single break at 10.35am to 10.55am rather than the previous arrangements. The split lunch will remain in place. We will continue to monitor the number of cases, and if they rise, it might be necessary to re-introduce some measures with the agreement of local Public Health. I will continue to update you if there are changes to Covid guidance but we will no longer be sending the 'warn and inform' letters if there is a positive case in your child's class / group.

Preparations for Easter

The season of Lent starts this week with Ash Wednesday. During Lent, students are challenged to be 'change makers' and raise money to support Caritas through the St Joseph's Penny Appeal as well as collecting Easter Eggs for Middleton Foodbank. We will again be rewarding the form class in each year group that raises the most with the opportunity to finish school an hour earlier than usual on Friday 8th April and start their Easter holiday earlier than the





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rest of the school community. Last year we collected 1225 Easter Eggs and raised £1500 for St Joseph's Penny and I again ask for your support.

Summer Exams

The exam boards have released advanced information to help students prepare for their summer exams. Further information is available on our website at <https://www.clrchs.co.uk/parents-students/exam-information-for-candidates/>

Thank you for your continued support

Mr A Bridson
Headteacher

