

## CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

We were delighted to welcome our Nursery and Reception pupils to school for the first time this week. Our EYFS staff have been thrilled with how well children have settled into their new routines. Thank you for supporting them in this important transition to school!

It has been wonderful to see how much high quality teaching and learning has been taking place at school this term and we are really pleased with the feedback from pupils and parents about our new writing curriculum based around key texts. The engagement and motivation in classrooms has been a real joy to see and we are so pleased to be back doing what we love.

## **Collective Worship**

Our school vision is rooted in our Christian foundation and the provision of daily collective worship is at the heart of our school life. Despite the current restrictions on gathering in larger groups for collective worship, our pupils are continuing to have daily opportunities to worship either in their class group or online through live videos. This half term we are looking at the Christian Value of friendship. We hope that children will be able to retell many Bible stories at home and share their learning with you. The slides for our Christian Values assemblies can be found on the worship page of our school website and below this you will find the videos from Father Richard which have replaced our weekly Mass for the time being.

As stricter measures are introduced across the country, to reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19 we ask parents to support the school in the following ways.

## Drop off and collection

We have arranged a drop off and collection time of 15 minutes for each year group to minimise congestion outside the school. We politely ask that parents **do not arrive early** to drop or collect their child as this congests the pavements and Church Yard outside the school. You are not late if you arrive **within** the 15 minute time slot for your class and it eases congestion if parents do not all arrive at the beginning of the 15 minute window. Please remember that children are your responsibility until they enter the school. At the Grove Site, we ask Reception and Nursery parents to bring their children to the class door to keep children safe at the beginning and end of the day.

To protect our staff from contact with too many individuals and in line with the DfE guidance for schools, we ask parents not to approach teachers or senior staff at drop off or collection. If we do not follow these guidelines and a member of staff tests positive for Covid-19 then you may be identified as one of their contacts if you do not adhere to our rules of social distancing on site.

Similarly, we politely ask that parents follow the Government guidelines around social distancing as they wait to collect their children. The Government has recently banned social gatherings of **more than six people** and we ask parents to ensure a clear distance between other parents at drop off and collection. We are pleased with the risk assessment we have in school and the measures we have taken to minimise the risk of a Covid-19 outbreak and we politely request that parents do the same to minimize the risk of transmission and to keep our school open to all pupils.

Please remember that if your child is displaying Covid symptoms they, and any siblings, should remain at home until you have a confirmation that they do not have Covid-19.

With best wishes,

Mrs Tramoni