



10th December, 2020

Dear Families,

School Bags

After the Christmas holidays, your child will be able to bring their packed lunch into school in their **school bag** or **packed lunch bag** if they wish to do so. These will be stored on your child's peg with their coat so **should not be large in size**. If you would prefer to continue to use disposable carrier bags, then we are more than happy for you to continue to do so and we will discard your child's disposable carrier bag after they have eaten their lunch as normal.

Autumn Term Report

Next week, your child will bring home their School Report for the Autumn Term. As your child has moved into a new year group, it is not unusual for your child to be working at a different level to what was reported in their Summer report. For example, your child may have been working at Greater Depth in the Summer term but now they may be working at Expected level due to the more challenging curriculum that your child will be covering in their new year group and the more challenging targets that they need to meet in their new class. We are also working extremely hard to narrow gaps in learning resulting from Lockdown and the targets set on your child's report will illustrate areas that your child needs to work on at home and at school in order to progress their learning.

Your support is, as always, very much appreciated. If you wish to discuss any issues arising from your child's report, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Staff Training Day - Monday 4th January

This is just a reminder that Monday 4th January is a Staff Training Day. Therefore, the school will be closed to all pupils. **School will re-open for all pupils on Tuesday 5th January, 2021.**

School Earring Policy

Can I please remind you that our policy of **no earrings** in school will still apply on Christmas Party Days for **health and safety reasons**. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Christmas Cards

All Christmas cards **MUST** be brought into school **tomorrow** so that they can be quarantined. Children will bring home Christmas cards from their friends on **Wednesday 16th December.**

First Holy Communion

This Sunday, four children from Miss McMaster's class will make their First Holy Communion at St. John Vianney church with Father Martin. On behalf of the whole school community, we send all of our prayers and good wishes to Ethan, Lexi, Sophie

and Beau as they make this important sacrament - we know it will be a very special day for them all.

We are currently waiting for confirmation of dates from Father Martin for the children who have missed their First Holy Communion due to Lockdown and we will inform you as soon as we receive this confirmation from Father Martin.

Thank you for your continued support in these challenging times.

With my very best wishes,

C. Meldrum

Acting Headteacher