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25th August 2021

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents/Carers

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to school and extend a very warm welcome to all our new pupils in Primary 1 and other classes.

As we are all very aware COVID is still very much with us and so as we continue to receive information about school reopening we appreciate your ongoing cooperation and support as we do our best to support our children in this and in their daily lives.

School will re-open on Thursday 26th August for all pupils.

P1 pupils will finish at 12 Noon however, as of 1^{st} September children may stay until 12.30pm to avail of school dinners.

P1 will finish at 2pm from Monday 4th October.

P2 and P3 will finish every day at 2pm.

P4-P7 will finish at 3pm Monday – Thursday and 2pm on Friday.

School finishes at 2pm for all children every Friday.

Pupils are asked to wear full school uniform each day. We would ask that uniforms are washed regularly during the week. Classes will be informed of PE days in due course.

Children in P1-4 should enter school via the back door. Children in P5-7 should enter via the front door.

Children will be expected to sanitise hands upon entry to school and at regular times during the school day. All adults entering the school building must wear a mask, sanitise their hands and complete a contact tracing record.

Children must bring their own labelled water bottle to school each day. Water bottles should be taken home and cleaned thoroughly each night.

School dinners will be available from Wednesday 1st September at a cost of £2.60.

Dinners for the week should be ordered and paid for on the Monday of that week. All money should be sent into school in an envelope with child's name and days that meals will be required clearly marked on it.

Anyone who has not yet made an application for Free School Meals for this school year 2021/22 should do so as a matter of urgency. All meals must be paid for until children's entitlement is confirmed.

Breakfast Club will resume on Thursday 26th August. It will operate from 8.15am-8.45 am at a cost of £1 per day.

Arrangements for After Schools Clubs will be shared as soon as possible. We hope to be able to facilitate this as of week beginning Monday 13th September.

P1/2 Mrs Collins

Mrs Treacy (CA)

P3/4 Mrs Toner & Mrs Macfarlane

Miss Carvill & Mrs Quinn (CA)

P5/6/7 Mr Rooney

Mrs Fallon (CA)

We would ask that all parents ensure that they are receiving messages from ParentMail and that you check the school website regularly for information and updates.

Please note: All information is subject to change in light of evolving DE Guidance.

We appreciate your ongoing support and we look forward to working in partnership with you all during this academic year to ensure that St. Joseph's continues to provide the high quality education and pastoral care that it is renowned for.

Yours sincerely

Mrs F Macfarlane (Principal)

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