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Dear Parents,

NEWSLETTER AND CORONA VIRUS UPDATE 26

Last week we closed the Nursery for a fortnight with the children returning on 27th November. For most schools the trail of disruption continues as we all attempt to minimise risk and reduce transmission of infection in our communities.

Nursery Teacher, Mrs Smith can be contacted by Nursery parents between 9am and 3.00pm every school day as she manages remote learning for the children. Her number is: 07561 676 863. In the meantime, she will be delivering remote learning via the school website and Tapestry. Do contact school if you experience any difficulties with remote learning.

Mrs Fiona Jones is now replacing Mrs Cooke on a Friday in Reception Year1 class as she has now started a maternity leave.

There has been much discussion and speculation in the mass media about lockdown and what happens after the proposed end of this period (2nd December). There are levels of real anxiety that the lead up to Christmas may cause people to deviate from the restrictions and we, too, have a responsibility not to drop our guard in relation to our risk assessments. We have all been reminded many times that Covid will make no exceptions for Christmas. With this in mind, regrettably, we will not be bringing groups of children together for recorded Christmas performances such as Nativities or carol concerts. Fr Dominic has kindly offered to celebrate Advent liturgy and Advent Mass via Zoom online means.

As you know, you will receive a report on mathematics and English for your child at the end of term.

Many thanks for your continued support for all the current arrangements at school.

Yours sincerely,

Kieran A Loftus Headteacher