



Dear families,

I hope you all managed to get some rest over the half term holiday.

In light of the Government ordering a full lockdown as from Thursday 5th November I wanted to inform you of the actions that will be taking place here at school.

- We are really pleased that school's have not been included in this lockdown!
- Parents / families – please do not congregate together at all on the school grounds or outside of the gates. You can only meet up with one person from another family if they are in your support Bubble – in the majority this does not include other parents
- Year's 3 & 6 – you must not enter the school grounds before 8.40am
- Year 3 – please walk through the playground and send your child to line up instantly and then leave the grounds
- Year 6 – Please enter the school building via the Hall doors – parents please leave the grounds as soon as your child has entered the building
- Year's 4 & 5 – you must not enter the school grounds before 8.55am
- Year 4 – please walk through the playground and send your child to line up instantly and then leave the grounds
- Year 5 – Please enter the school building via the Hall doors – parents please leave the grounds as soon as your child has entered the building
- If you have siblings in different year groups please drop off both children at the same time and the children can enter school through their allocated door
- End of the day - please do not enter the school grounds until 5 minutes before dismissal – do not congregate together
- Please do not ring the Office to inform them that your child is being collected by another school parent as this will not be in line with the Lockdown
- After school Sports Clubs will be cancelled as from Wednesday 4th November in line with guidance – (we are expecting an update about this after 3.00pm 04/11/20 – I will update you as soon as I am able. I can only apologise for the notice period but I am waiting for further information.)
- Little Monsters will continue to provide 'wrap around care'
- Mrs Wells will not be available for 'Face to Face' discussions so please contact her via the School Office or direct email lorraine.wells@stjames.covmat.org
- Christmas Card day – 11th December 2020. The children can bring their cards in on this day and deliver them to their friends (following COVID guidance). Please do not lick the envelopes but just tuck them in.

On a more positive point I am planning that each year group will produce a Christmas based video to share with you. Themes are still being decided – exciting.... The only decision made so far is that Year 3 will be producing a traditional Nativity.

- To facilitate this, I need to have your permission for your child to be videoed as the 'film' will go out to the Year group Bubble - any children that do not have permission will be given a non-filmed role. More detail will follow as to how this will be accessed.

I know that none of this is normal, but we will absolutely ensure that the children have a level of normality whilst they are in school, we will be celebrating Christmas in a BIG WAY this year. Can I ask if anyone is able to donate a Christmas Tree and / or decorations so that each classroom can be decorated to look joyous and festive. Please email me if you can help! jane.cook@stjames.covmat.org

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