



21st September 2020

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion takes place for our P5 children on **Saturday 26th September @10.30 a.m. and 12.30p.m.** The children have worked really hard in preparation for this sacrament and have showed great patience and understanding when it was postponed earlier in the year. We are delighted that they are finally getting to celebrate the sacrament and we hope that they have the most enjoyable day with their families and friends.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

Please note that the school is closed on **Monday 28th September.**

A list of the school holidays is available on the school website under the **PARENTS** tab.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Friday 25th September is a Parent Support Group non-uniform day. Children are asked to bring £1.00 as a contribution to school funds – Thank-you in advance!

SCHOOL DINNERS

We plan to commence hot meals on **Tuesday 29th September.** In order to maintain the protective bubbles and social distancing among year groups only some classes will visit the canteen to eat their dinner while the rest will remain in the classrooms. As a result of this arrangement, the menu will be more limited with only one choice per day. **The menu for October can be found on the website under the PARENT tab.**

Dinners cost £2.60 per day and we ask that all monies sent into school are put in a sealed and labelled envelope. Thank-you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (these are also available on the website and school app)

- **Friday 25th September** - non uniform day (*P.S.G. fundraising - £1 contribution to school funds*)
- **Saturday 26th September** - First Holy Communion for P5 children
- **Monday 28th September** - school closure
- **Monday 5th October** - school photographer
- **Tuesday 6th October** - Flu vaccination

REMOTE/HOME LEARNING

In the event of a whole school closure or class closure due to a positive case of COVID-19 within the school, we plan to facilitate home/remote learning by using the platform SEESAW.

SEESAW is an online platform that facilitates meaningful engagement and connectivity for children/teachers and their home/school learning. Once connected the children can complete activities assigned by the teachers and submit work for marking. Teachers can communicate with whole class groups or with individual children who may need further explanation or assistance with tasks. It is an excellent and simple resource which effectively supports home/school or remote learning.

The teachers have set up **SEESAW** for their classes and have created an invitation to the children in their year groups.

The QR code for your child which is needed to link into his/her class SEESAW has been sent home today.

This week we are asking for everyone to get connected to **SEESAW** and link in with their class groups. Once everyone is connected we will set some trial activities so that we are all familiar with how it is used in case there is a school or class closure.

Firstly, you need to download the SEESAW APP – (this can be done using a computer, IOS devices *IPAD etc.* or android devices.)



To connect to a class

Open the Seesaw class app.

- 1. Tap “I’m a Student”.**
- 2. Tap the blue “Scan Code” button and scan the QR for the class. (use camera)**
- 3. 1:1 students choose their name from the list.**

If anyone has problems getting connected or needs support with devices, please contact the school and we will be happy to provide assistance.