



St. Catherine's
RC Primary School

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News from St. Catherine's R.C. Primary School

'Be who God wants you to be and so set the world on fire.'

Welcome Back!

A warm welcome back to the new school year.

It has been wonderful to welcome the children in Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 6 over the last two days. On Monday, Year 4 and 5 will return to school and then our whole family will be back together again. Our new Nursery children are having visits to school at the moment before starting their full hours too.

The children who have returned so far look so smart and ready to learn. Obviously, things aren't 'back to normal' yet, but it is a massive step forward to bring everyone back into school.

Keeping everyone safe...

All parents will have received the updated Key Information for Parents prior to starting school this term. Please read this carefully so that you are familiar with the expectations.

We must continue to socially distance. For everyone's safety, please make sure that you keep socially distant from staff and leave the playground promptly. Please do not engage staff in prolonged conversations at the beginning or end of the school day. Unfortunately, staff are not able to have face to face meetings with parents currently so if you have any queries, please contact the school office by email so they can forward your message on to the relevant member of staff. We will then contact you to follow this up, usually by phone.

COVID-19
Maintain
social
distance

Usually, as children move from one year group to the next, we have Meet the Teacher sessions for parents and carers. These cannot take place currently but specific year group information, including the days your children will have PE, will be sent home next week.

Love

Faith

Respect

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Inspiration

Healthy and Safe School



St. Catherine's is a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**. This applies to breaktimes, lunchtimes and any events in school. We have an increasing number of children in school with food allergies and the consequences of this can be very serious indeed.

In **Early Years and Key Stage 1** children are given a piece of fruit for their snack so there is no need to send anything in with the children for breaktime.

In **Key Stage 2** children can bring a snack, but this is limited to fruit, breadsticks or plain crackers—no cereal or fruit bars, fruit winders, ched-dars, cheese dippers or crisps.

Healthy eating also applies to lunchtime so packed lunches need to be appropriate—no sweets or chocolates. We are trying to reduce single use plastic in school, so please be conscious of this also.

Mrs Hoban, one of our Teaching Assistants, retired at the end of last term having worked at St. Catherine's for 19 years. Her contribution to our school has been amazing and we all wish her a long, happy and healthy retirement. Thank you Mrs Hoban!



A prayer for our new school year

Lord God,

Help us to love as you love;

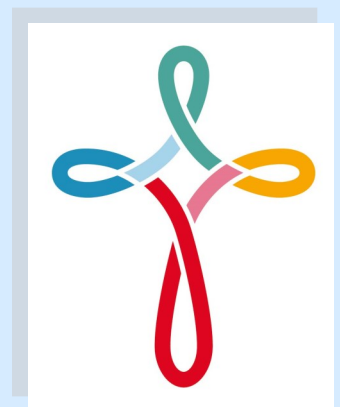
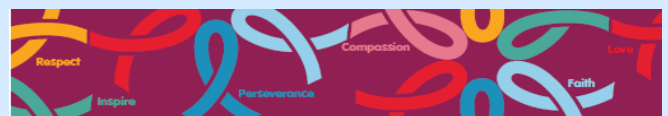
Persevere like you;

Show respect and compassion as you do.

Help us to grow together as a family of faith.

As you inspire all our thoughts and actions, may we inspire each other, our community and our world to follow you.

Amen.



May our year together be full of blessings and joy.

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