



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful welcoming back all of our fantastic children after the summer holidays. They have settled so beautifully and have been quick to adapt to new routines. Hopefully, some of our recent changes have made your lives easier, now we have one wrap-around care provider and one office, and we will continue to make changes that benefit you and the children in our care.

We have also opened up the site at home time as the weather may not continue to be kind. Families will be able to collect from all of the playgrounds and you will be able to cross the school site to collect siblings. The morning routines will remain the same as they appear to be working well, but you will be able to drop Key Stage 2 siblings on the EYFS/Key Stage 1 playground, where they can independently make their way to their classrooms.

Class Dojo:

If you have not already downloaded Class Dojo, please do as soon as possible. This a communication platform that will enable you to see when your child is successful in school and the children have been really excited about it.

A few reminders:

- We would appreciate it if you did not send your children to school with personal items for example; pencil cases or fidget toys. We have ensured that we have plenty of stationery and any children that require anything additional to support their learning will be referred to our school SENCO for advice.
- We have also provided spill proof water bottles for all of the children. Please ensure this is in school every day for use in class so we can keep them hydrated. Other bottles are fine for use at lunch times.
- Please ensure that your children are wearing full school uniform or the correct PE kit (on PE days) at all times. School shoes must be worn on uniform days and hair accessories must be in keeping with the school uniform colours.
- Earrings and Jewellery, where possible, should be kept to a bare minimum (small studs in ears) and are not to be worn on PE days.
- Please try to provide healthy snacks and lunches to give your children lots of energy to learn.



- Please keep to the Highway Code when parking near the school at drop off and collection times.

Dates for your diary:

On Monday 18th October and Thursday 21st October (3:30pm – 5:30pm), we will be holding our Learning Conferences for your children. This will replace Parents' Evening in order to reflect our new child-led curriculum. Parents will have the opportunity to sign up for a slot, where they will have the opportunity to look at and discuss their child's learning with their child. The class teacher will be on hand to answer any questions they have and to advise on ways that you can support your child with their learning journey.

This is a new approach that we are piloting and we hope to gather your views following the conferences to look at how Parents' Evenings will work in the future.

We look forward to a successful first term back with lots of exciting learning opportunities for the children. Thank you for continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Gribble
Acting Head of School

