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## Letter to parents Friday July 3rd 2020

Dear Parents,

## I hope everyone is well and staying safe at home. <u>Return to School. Please see below the revised dates for a full return to school in</u> <u>September.</u>

## Academic year 2020-2021

Autumn term 2020	Spring term 2021	Summer term 2021
Wednesday September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Monday January 4 <sup>th</sup> to	Monday April 19 <sup>th</sup> to
to	Friday February 12 <sup>th</sup> .	Friday May 28 <sup>th</sup>
Friday October 23rd		- •
Half Term	Half Term	Half Term
Wednesday November	Monday February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Monday June 7 <sup>th</sup>
<b>4</b> <sup>th</sup>	to	to
to	Holy Thursday April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Friday July 16 <sup>th</sup>
Friday December 18 <sup>th</sup>		
<b>Christmas Break</b>	Easter Break	Summer Break

Teacher Days 2020-2021 Tuesday September 1<sup>st</sup> Monday November 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2 days yet to be confirmed











<u>July 2020</u> School will finish for Reception, Y1 and Y6 next Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>. I want to write and thank everyone in the respective year groups that has supported school since June 8<sup>th</sup>. Getting some children from these year groups back has proved a difficult challenge for all of us. It has meant a great deal of planning, patience and understanding. To all concerned thank you.

Key Workers. Can I please ask that if you feel you may need to use school for key worker provision that you contact the office beforehand. Please note that the provision for key workers will continue until July 17<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Y6 Transition.</u> Thanks to the second cohort of Y6 that came to school on Wednesday. I am indebted to Mrs Logue for organising the process and Ms McCarron and Mr Barton for meeting with the children.

Welcoming extra children. The plan is to welcome children back from every year group for a short period next week. Many thanks to those that have responded and plan to send their child/children back to school for a short period next week. These children will bring home their end of year reports. To those families not quite ready to send their children back, your reports will be posted out to you next week.

**<u>ParentPay.</u>** There are a number of families with debts from before school had to close. Please can I ask that all debts be settled before the end of term.

<u>September 2020.</u> Staggered start times, year group bubbles, separate lunch/play times, different entrances, and exit points are just some of the factors we are now planning to get ready for in September. I will write a separate letter next week about how we plan to approach September 2020 once I have studied the guidelines we have been issued.

I will also write to everyone explaining the guidance we have been given surrounding people (both children and adults) presenting with symptoms of Coronavirus. Our aim however is to try to make September *"as normal as we possibly can"* for everyone. I will send home a detailed outline to everyone next week.

<u>St Margaret Marys Church.</u> A week ago churches opened for private prayer, recent announcements have now indicated that on the 4<sup>th</sup> July Mass can be said once more in churches across the country. Mass will now be said at 6.30pm, on a Saturday, 9.30am, and 11.00am on a Sunday. Father Simon has had to put a number of measures in place to keep everyone as safe as possible. These can be found in detail in his newsletters via the link from the school/church website.

Please Pray for: The Parish and school family.

Many thanks for your understanding and patience with these matters.

Take care and stay safe.

M Aldred Head teacher

