

11th January 2018

Dear Parents

<u>High Levels of sickness</u> – today we have experienced high levels of sickness from both staff and children. I have taken advice from Tameside health & safety, Director of Schools and Greater Manchester Infection Control Team. The advice is that if children or adults are symptomatic either tonight or in the morning then – <u>stay at home</u>. Symptoms appear to be **high temperature**, **stomach ache and feeling sick**.

If children are sick and/or have diarrhoea then they must be symptom free for 48 hours before they can return to school to manage infection control as per instructions from Infection Control Team. Our school policy is to abide by the 48 hour rule however we need to rely on parent integrity to support this. Hopefully this should have run its course by Monday.

<u>Mass and Assembly</u> – a copy of the mass and assembly rota has been sent out this week. The first class mass will be Year 6 on Tuesday 23rd January 9am, Parents and Grandparents welcome. The first class assembly will be **Year R on Friday 2nd February** at 2.45pm, Parents and Grandparents welcome.

Admission to school September 2018 – letters have been posted out. If your child is registered at our school and you haven't received a copy of the application process then contact the school office. Closing date for online applications is Monday 15th January 2018. Please note that school requires a copy of birth and baptism certificates, along with two proofs of residency. Please ensure that all copies have been sent into school before the 15th January. More detailed information is available on the school website under the Admissions section.

<u>Nursery Admissions</u> – we still have nursery places available. We are currently offering 15 hours a week morning session only. Please enquire at the school office about registering for a place.

<u>Residential trips</u> – please would you bring your payments up-to-date. If you wish to pay by cheque, please make cheques payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School alternatively you can pay using the online payment scheme <u>www.schoolmoney.co.uk</u> The next instalments will be due on 19th January 2018 for Kingswood £26.00 and 22nd January for Robinwood £36.00.

<u>School Dinner Money</u> –school dinner money for next term will be £69.76 (32 days), and alternatively you can pay weekly £10.90. School fund next term will be £7.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School.

<u>Nursery snack fund</u> for the term will be £24.50 payable to St Peter's Catholic Primary School; alternatively you can use the School Money on-line system <u>www.schoolmoney.co.uk</u>

<u>Year 3 First Forgiveness and Holy Communion</u> – the Sacramental Programme will begin for Year 3 and their parents in January. Please see dates below:

First meeting: Monday 15th January 6:00pm in school (parents only)

Enrolment Mass: Sunday 21st Jan 11:00am – in church (parents and children)

A list of all dates for the programme will be given out to parents at first meeting. Please note that the parents' meetings are for adults only.

<u>St Peter's PTA Family Quiz Night</u> – Friday 26th January 6:30 until 9:00pm in the school hall. Adults £4.00 including potato pie supper, children £2.00 includes hotdog. Vegetarian option available. There are only 100 tickets so buy your tickets soon as this is always a popular family night out. Flyers were sent home today; please complete the slip along with your payment. Clearly mark the envelope PTA Quiz Night.

Parish and community events

Mary's Meals - Mr White, A parishioner and a volunteer reader at school is celebrating his 70th Birthday by doing a sponsored walk for Mary's Meals. On the 26th January he will walk from St. Peter's Primary School Stalybridge to St. Peter's Primary School in Hazel Grove. Our Chair of Governors, Mr Murphy, who was the Headteacher at St Peter's Hazel Grove, will walk some of the way with Mr White.

The children will be making flags to wave him off on his walk and the local press will also be there. We are asking for 50p a flag, which will be donated to Mary's Meals.

In addition if any parent would like to sponsor him the forms are available either from Church or you can donate on at www.marysmeals.org.uk/fundraising/project/rob-white/robs-st-peters-walk

It only costs £13.90 to feed a child for a full year so any donation would be really appreciated.

LEGOLAND leaflets/Sealife Centre – discount leaflets for these attractions at the Trafford Centre are available from the school office.

Diary Dates.

Monday 15th **January** – visit from Key Strings music performance in school funded by school.

Monday 15th January – FHC first meeting in school at 6:00pm (parents only)

Sunday 21st **January** - FHC enrolment mass in church (parents and children)

Friday 26th January – PTA quiz Night at school 6:30 – 9:00pm.

Monday 29th January – school will be closed on this day for staff training

Thursday 15th February – Y5 & Y6 Trombone performance for parents at 9:15am in school.

Kind regards

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