

St Robert's R.C. First School Newsletter

10th September 2020

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We care, we serve, we learn together in the love and truth of Jesus



Next week's Statement to live by: I can say how I feel

Upcoming Diary Dates	
Monday 14/9	Liturgy (virtual) Y3 swimming—cancelled until further notice
Tuesday 15/9	
Wednesday 16/9	
Thursday 17/9	
Friday 18/9	Celebration assembly (virtual)

Welcome back for the start of the new academic year. We hope that you had a lovely time over the Summer. The pupils have already returned to school full of enthusiasm and we are delighted to welcome some new pupils to our school this September: Andrew, Autumn, Benjamin, Elizabeth, Grace, Jack and Matthew (Reception) Jude and Penny (Y2) and Jack (Y3). A big welcome to all our new Nursery children too. They have been amazing at settling into school life. All the children have been fantastic at adapting to the measures in place for COVID-19. We will continue to keep you updated about any changes to guidance that impact life in school.

NEW STAFF: We are delighted to welcome Mr Hall to our school to teach PE on a Tuesday (from the Newcastle Utd Foundation). We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Menzies who will be completing her teacher training with us in Year 4.

SOCIAL DISTANCING: A big thank you to all parents and carers for supporting the school with the new measures in place at pick up and drop off. We will continue to monitor and make changes, if needed, in order to protect everyone in our school community. For the EYFS drop off and pick up there will be a member of staff to direct and support parents at these times.

ADMISSIONS: Applications into Middle School (Y5) for September 2021 entry have opened. Please log on via the NCC website and apply before 31st October. Applications received after 31st October will be classed as 'late' and will not be processed until all 'on time' applications have been allocated. The following link will provide further information and guidance: [click here](#)

DATA COLLECTION: It is vital that we have up to date information so that we can contact you in case of emergency. Mrs Perkins will send home pre-populated forms with the information we already have on Monday. Please make any amendments in a coloured pen and send the form back (even if there are no changes) as soon as possible, please. If you need a Medical Needs Form, please let Mrs Perkins know.

UNIFORM: Please ensure that all children are coming to school with: appropriate footwear (black shoes); no jewellery (including earrings); appropriate hairstyles (any hair at shoulder length must be tied back).

WELCOME BACK MASS: Sadly we will not be able to have a welcome back Mass this year. Every Monday liturgy will be shared via Class Dojo so that you can be part of it at home too.

READING BOOKS/LIBRARY: We will unfortunately not have library up and running until the guidance changes. We are currently looking at e-reading books schemes to support with reading at home. All parents should continue to read with and to, their child at home.

MUSIC LESSONS: Violin and keyboard begin the week beginning 21st September.

NUT ALLERGIES: A quick reminder that we are a nut free school—please do not send nuts in for snack or as part of a packed lunch as we have children in school with nut allergies. Thank you for your support.

OPERATION FOR HONEY

Honey has enjoyed seeing all the children back in school this week. She has played a key role in supporting children and staff in the transition back to the classroom.

This week however she had her operation to be spayed. She is recovering at the farm and will not be back in school for 10 days.



School places available:

We currently have places available.

0 places in Reception

2 places in Year 1

0 places in Year 2

4 places in Year 3

0 places in Year 4

If you know of anyone who would like to join us, please spread the word and tell them to get in touch.



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