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Dear Parent/Guardian

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Return to School: Monday 8th March, 2021

On Monday, we finally get to welcome all our children back to St Wilfrid's school.
It will be lovely to see everyone and have a full school again - we have missed you all!

Important Reminders

In order to be able to continue to drive down infection rates and thus keep our schools open, we must remember the government message of 'Hands. Face. Space'.

- All adults **must** wear face coverings when on the school site (unless you have a medical exemption).
- We ask, wherever possible, that only one adult comes to drop off or collect their children.
- Please ensure you do not mix with other households and you keep 2 metre distance between adults.
- While tempting, as we will not have seen others for some time, do not congregate on the school playgrounds or the school gates.

School Day Timings

Nursery, Year 1, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 - Start 8.45 am Finish Time 3.15 pm

Reception, Year 2, Year 3 - Start 9 am Finish Time 3.30 pm

These times are staggered to cut down on congestion on the playgrounds and Shawsdale Road.

Please note, the school gates will be open from 8.30 am to allow a 'trickle in' system, again to cut down on congestion.
Staff will be carrying out Lateral Flow Tests twice weekly, but our children will not.

It is very important that if children are unwell with Covid symptoms, they **do not** come to school and a Covid test is conducted.

World Book Day 2021

On Thursday, we celebrated with millions of other children, World Book Day. A day of sharing our favourite books and celebrating the wonder and excitement of stories and poems.

Hopefully, you have had chance to visit your child's eSchools homepage, to try our 'Mystery Reader' competition. Lots of St Wilfrid's staff disguised, both physically, and also their voices.

Can you identify all of the readers? It is very hard!

Lenten Appeals

Year 6 started their 'Fill a Smartie tube with coins' to raise money for Alton Castle this week - thank you to them.
Next week, Reception will have their 'Dress up like a dog' day, with all monies going to the Birmingham Dogs Home.
Every Friday will be a Non-Uniform Day during Lent, £1 per family.





Hodge Hill Church (locally known as the Blue Cross Church)

People from Open Door Community Foundation and Hodge Hill Church have come together, and will soon be hosting and running, Hodge Hill Pantry. For a small weekly subscription of £4, members of the Hodge Hill Pantry will be able to purchase a weekly food shop, including fresh fruit and vegetables and family favourites to stock up the cupboard and fridge. The pantry will have a Covid-safe opening plan, with bookable time slots. Please visit www.yourlocalpantry.co.uk for more information or call Paul on 07720249943 or email YLPHodgeHill@gmail.com. Thank you.

Prayers

We pray for all those ill from the virus and their continued recovery.

Enjoy the weekend and get the uniform ready for Monday!

Yours sincerely,

R Baker and staff

