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Continued Pandemic Restrictions

With the increase in Covid infections across Warrington, please be reminded to take care of each other by maintaining social distance, wearing face coverings and frequent handwashing.

Please adhere to the Risk Assessment shared with all parents earlier in the year and come to school for start and end times as originally stated. Please do not walk through the staff car park.

Fathers' Day

This Sunday we celebrate the gift of fatherhood and we treat our dads just because of who they are.

We also remember those fathers and grandfathers who have gone to God.

St Joseph was the foster-father of Jesus and taught him many things in such a quiet and gentle way. We hear no words from Joseph in the scriptures; he is the silent witness to Christ. However, he teaches us about trust, about generosity, faith. Joseph protected Jesus and Mary from danger from the very beginning as they were refugees and had to leave for Egypt. He would have taught Jesus how to work, to pray, to trust in God His Father. Perhaps that's why, when asked how to pray, Jesus called God *Abba* or *Abbina* which means Daddy: such was His trust in God the Father.

Let's pray for our dads, grandads and all men who love and care for others.

Dads – Happy Fathers' Day!

St Joseph's Got Talent

Please note the letter concerning the children's musical talent and the competition.

Stars of the Week

We recognise the following children as Stars of the Week for their effort or contribution to school life:

Erin Riley, Luke Toman-Webster, Ashton Wells, Tillie Pickersgill, Harry McGrath, Isaac Plunkett, Isaac Hillier, Emelia Pucill, F Santander, Freddie Harrison, Connor Robinson, Noah Wood, Beth Greenhow, Leo Santander, Nicholas Cross, Freya O'Hara, Sam Parker, Lily McLoughlin, Matthew McLoughlin, Evie O'Neill, Kate Sutcliffe, Phoebe Burgess and Mollie Linaker.

We also recognise those children who have shown good manners or been good role models during lunchtime.

Daisy Lucas, Rose Leighton, Abbie Gerrard and Lucy Pickersgill.

Well done, everyone!

Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to all the children and staff celebrating their birthdays since 1 June.

Christian Whalley, Nancy Craig, Chidalu Eriobuna, Sebastian Fris, Joey Morgan, Conor Twist, Charlotte Hitchmough, Elizabeth Jones, Nicholas Oates, Lucas Carter, Bobby Brandwood, Allegra West, Emily McKenzie-Ross and Mr Williams.

We hope you had or will have a lovely day! Happy birthday!

Staff Changes

At the end of the year, we welcome back Mrs Robbins after the birth of her little girl, Poppy. This means, that sadly we will be saying goodbye to Miss Jones as she has covered so well for Mrs Robbins this year. We wish her the very best for the future.

Also as our numbers in Reception have dropped below 30 pupils for September, we have to sadly say goodbye to Miss Ventre. Again we wish her all the best as she begins in September in a school in Liverpool. We also wish her and her partner, Adam, well for their wedding later in the year.

Anti-bullying Ambassadors

Mrs Standen has been working with some of our children to be anti-bullying ambassadors and be of support for other children. At present they are working on the Respect Badge. Well done, children.

First Holy Communion

Parents of Year 4 children who wish for them to make their First Holy Communion this year, please note the deadline for the request letter is Monday 21 June. We will then be able to arrange Masses with numbers in mind.

New Running Track

You will have noticed our new track on the school field. Obviously, it is not in the same style as the previous one but it has been laid better and therefore will be more durable. The mound at the back of the field will be used in a way determined

in conversation with our Ecowarriors group. Thanks to Miss Rose and Mr Martin for their work and time in creating the track.

Dogs on the playground

Please be reminded that dogs are not allowed on the playground as they may be a hazard to children and adults.

CAFOD

With last week's G7 summit in Cornwall and November's Glasgow gathering for the Climate Change conference COP26, we are reminded as Christians about our calling to care for each other and the planet.

CAFOD have produced an assembly for schools based on the Holy Father's encyclical on brotherhood, *Fratelli tutti*.

Please join the link for the assembly:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Primary-school-assemblies/Fratelli-Tutti-primary>

Thanks
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Headteacher