

# St Robert's R.C. First School Newsletter

8th October 2020

Head Teacher: Mr D Sutcliffe

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



*Next week's Statement to live by: I try and stand up for myself and others.*

Upcoming Diary Dates	
<b>Monday</b> 12/10	Keyboards Liturgy Y3 swimming—cancelled until further notice
<b>Tuesday</b> 13/10	PE Y4 football club
<b>Wednesday</b> 14/10	Y4 Ukulele
<b>Thursday</b> 15/10	Violins
<b>Friday</b> 16/10	Celebration assembly

**HEAD BOY AND HEAD GIRL:** I am delighted to introduce Sam Agnew and Hannah Bradley as our new Head Boy and Head Girl and Theo Sayer and Isla Nisbet as their Deputies. Our new House Captain and Vice Captains are: William/Eve H (Alnwick) Jacob/Eve C (Dunstanburgh) Scarlett/Sienna (Bamburgh) and Holly/Liam (Warkworth).

**COVID-19:** As parents, I am sure that you will be aware that most of the Morpeth schools have now been affected by COVID-19, which has resulted in class bubbles being asked to isolate. We currently do not have any positive cases in school, but in the coming weeks that could change. Teachers have shared information for this possibility.

**READING BOOKS:** We will be sending home reading books once again. The books will go home on a Monday to be returned on a Thursday. The books will be quarantined before going into another home. I would like to remind parents that your child should read every night and can re-read books to improve fluency and understanding. We will not be sending the reading record home but parents can share their child's reading progress via class dojo. Mr Sutcliffe will produce a video to help parents with this.

**BOOKS AMNESTY:** Please return any school books that would may have at home. There will be a box in the EYFS yard and a box next to the main school pupil's entrance to return the books to.

**HARVEST:** We will be celebrating Harvest Festival the week beginning 19th October. We will produce a Harvest video that we will share on Class Dojo. We will be collecting for the Wansbeck Food Bank. If you are able to make a food donation of tinned/package food, please bring them to school by Thursday 22nd October and place in the box outside the Office, which will be in the playground for you all that week. Thank you for your support.

**PARENT CONSULTATIONS:** Your child's class teacher will be sending a short video to you via Class Dojo, the commencing the 12th October. The video will appear on your child's Class Dojo stories. If you have any concerns, please contact the class teacher directly with a message.

**ADMISSIONS:** The portal for Middle School (Y5) places for September 2021 entry has opened. Please log on to the NCC website and apply before 31st October. The following link will provide further information and guidance: [click here](#)

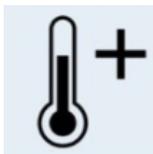
**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL:** This year we have decided not to support the Shoebox appeal. However, it is still running its appeal if parents want to support on an individual basis. The pupil council will be looking into an alternative charity to support.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** We currently have no plans for this year's First Holy Communion cohort. I will be speaking with Father Peter in the coming weeks and seeking advice from the Diocese about this year's preparations.

## COVID-19 What symptoms to look for...



A new and continuous cough!



A high temperature



A loss or change in taste/smell

Please inform school immediately if your child or any family member in the household is taking a test and the outcome of the test.

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS:** If you believe your child maybe eligible for Free School Meals please follow the link for [further information](#).

All children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are provided with a free meal under the universal free school meals. However, schools can receive additional funding to help provide these meals.



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