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Dear Parents/Carers

Once again I would like to thank you for your continued support. The children have been amazing since their return and have settled into the new procedures extremely well. We are doing all we can to keep the children as safe as possible and following all Government guidelines to limit contacts and reduce the possibility of transition in school.

Please remember that you still need to follow all the Government guidelines. From March 29th the below are permitted

- People will be allowed to meet outside, either with one other household or within the "rule of six", including in private gardens
- The stay at home rule will end, but the government will urge people to stay local as much as possible
- Outdoor sport facilities will reopen, including golf courses and tennis and basketball courts, and formally organised outdoor sports can restart

Please remember all other restriction remain in place.

It is most important that if you do develop any of the below symptoms that you arrange to get tested.

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

As you know, as a school we break up on Thursday 1st April. If you are testing at home and supporting us in keeping your children safe you should continue to do this over the Easter Holidays. If you test positive for Covid-19 on any day up to and including 7th April I ask that you inform the school by email (office@stwilfridsnewman.co.uk) If you test positive after this date you should follow test, track and trace procedures. Similarly, if you attend the schools Easter activities on Thursday 15th or Friday 16th April please email the school if you test positive.

During the Easter break children those entitled to Free School Meals and those who meet the criteria to access support through the Winter Fund will receive vouchers to cover the 2 week break in the same way they did over half-term.

I am sure you will all agree, that all staff in school have worked incredibly hard to try to ensure that we can continue to provide a high quality education to all our pupils I wish to thank them for all of their hard work and dedication towards our school community. Should you wish to contact the school during the Easter Break then please do so via the office email address and not through class dojo.

Finally, I do hope the Easter will be one of peace for you all.

The Lord appeared to His disciples after His resurrection and greeted them, saying, "Peace be to you." Many times in sacred scripture our blessed Lord offers his peace. So it is in our lives, the Lord Jesus stands in our midst and says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:27)

Thank you to you all for your support and prayers.

God Bless you all.

Yours sincerely



Miss D T Lee
Principal

