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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming all of our children back to school on Monday 8th March. All of our staff have continued to work exceptionally hard to ensure that we are following all government guidance and the school, classrooms and curriculum are fully prepared for all of your children. Children should return to school wearing their full school uniform.

The health and safety of our families and staff is our first priority, so I urge you all to comply with the wearing of face coverings while on the school grounds and the maintenance of social distancing with all other parents and children at all times. Please continue to follow the one way system that is in place throughout the school. Early this week we wrote to you to ask you join us with regular asymptomatic testing to keep our school community as safe as possible. If we all play our part, we will be able to create a school that is safe for all and hopefully will avoid any further closures. The government have urged us to encourage all parents and carers of school aged children to take regular tests and where possible get these tests from a local site. Details of how to locate your nearest site are below.

COVID Test Finder: <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>

If you are unable to take a test at a local site or collect, then you can order for home delivery however please note that availability will be limited.

Schools testing: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

If you, your child or any member of your household is displaying any symptoms of Coronavirus, please do not send your child to school and inform the school as soon as possible.

To support further with social distancing, we will be continuing with the staggered drop off and collection times as below. To keep the number of adults on site to a minimum, we do politely ask that only one adult should drop off and collect their child.

The staggered times are:

Year	Time	Door
Nursery Group 1	8:40 – 3:10pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park
Nursery Group 2	8:50 – 3:20pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park
Nursery Group 3	9:00 – 3:30pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park
Rec Miss Razzaq	9:00 – 3:30pm	Main entrance Queens Avenue down ramp
Rec Mrs Hibbert	8:25 - 2:55pm	Main entrance Queens Avenue down ramp
Y1	8:40 - 3:10pm	Main entrance Queens Avenue down ramp
Y/1/2	8:40 - 3:10pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park
Y2	8:50 – 3:20pm	Main entrance Queens Avenue down ramp
Y3	8:45 - 3:15pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park
Y3/4	8:30 – 3:00pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park

Y4	8:35 - 3:05pm	Gate adjacent to staff car park
Y5 Miss Porter	8:50 - 3:20pm	Drop off gate lower yard(morning) Parent wait on lower yard on crosses (afternoon)
Y5 Mrs Lawton	8:40 – 3:10pm	Drop off gate lower yard(morning) Parent wait on lower yard on crosses (afternoon)
Y6 Mrs Mortimer	8:25 – 3:00pm	Drop off gate lower yard(morning) Parent wait on lower yard on crosses in front of conifers(afternoon)
Y6 Mrs Forrester	8:30 - 3:00pm	Drop off gate lower yard(morning) Parent wait on lower yard on left hand side as you enter the drop off area (afternoon)

As you are aware, on the day that your child's class has P.E. they need to come to school in their P.E. kits which should all be in line with the school uniform policy. In addition to their P.E. t shirt and shorts, children should also wear their school jumper/cardigan or the school P.E. hoody. Should you wish, your child may also wear navy blue or black jogging bottoms, these must be plain and unbranded. Trainers or pumps may be worn.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all the staff at St Wilfrid's to thank you for your continued support, words of encouragement and kindness and most importantly your prayers.

Sunday's Gospel tells us how people had lost sight of God and how Jesus' enthusiastic action was a protest that things had gone seriously wrong. In these weeks of Lent, let us take the opportunity to think if there is anything that is unhelpful that we need to clear from our lives to make more room for Jesus in our hearts.

Yours sincerely



Miss D Lee
Principal

