



ST MARK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER



Here are a few gentle reminders:-

Absence

If your child is going to be absent, please inform the school office by 9:30am with the reason for their absence. If we do not hear from you regarding your child's absence it will be recorded as unauthorised.

Punctuality

School starts at 8:50am (Nursery 9am). If your child arrives after this time, please come to the school office as their gate/door will be closed. We will be contacting parents and monitoring those children who regularly come into school late. If your child is late 2 or more mornings in a week, a text will be sent home informing you that late marks have been given. If punctuality does not improve, parents will be contacted by letter to come in for an appointment with Mrs Miller.

Tapestry and Teams

If your child is working from home, their class teacher will add work onto Tapestry or Teams each week. Please access this if your child is currently at home and feeling able to complete work. If you are struggling to access this please email their class teacher.

Medications

Please ensure our records are up-to-date with any medication that your child may need to take in school. If your child no longer requires any medication, please inform the school office.

First Holy Communion

Thank you to those parents in Years 4-6 for returning their completed forms to acknowledge they would like their child to participate in the First Holy Communion Programme. Further information will be given at tonight's meeting.

Earrings

Please remember that children are not allowed to wear earrings in school. Parents will be contacted to remove the earrings if the child is not able to do so themselves.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year. I hope you all had a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas.

The staff and I would like to say 'Thank you' for all the lovely cards and presents received at the end of term, they were very much appreciated.

As of Monday 17th the isolation period is now 5 full days from the date of a positive test – the day of the test is day 0. If your child tests negative on a LFT on days 5 and 6 they can return to school on day 6 (these tests must be done at least 24 hours apart and taken in the morning, to enable your child to come to school).

Thank you for your continued patience and support throughout these current restrictions. We are really proud of our children and their positive attitudes to learning in these difficult times. We can only hope that Newcastle Covid-19 rates begin to drop and restrictions can start to be lifted.

I hope that you and your children – and our staff – continue to remain healthy as we move through this Spring term.

Mrs Miller



Newcastle

We are pleased to officially confirm that St Mark's Primary School has successfully retained Newcastle Healthy School Status. A big **'Thank You'** to Miss Kerr who led on this. St Mark's continues to meet the requirements of Newcastle Healthy School Status and is maintaining and improving practice in relation to supporting pupil wellbeing.