

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Monday March 27th

Hello, everyone

As we approach the end of the Spring Term, I wanted to write and offer some updates on some key points that came from my meeting this morning with the Parent Council.

First, we'd all really appreciate your support in ensuring that we're not parking on the hazard markings directly outside school or in the area in front of the convent. We've experienced some dangerous incidents where doors of stationary cars have opened into the path of younger children on what are already narrow footpaths. Please either release older children further up the High Street or park up or bring them in.

You'll be aware that we've had a focus on punctuality and attendance since January which will continue for the remainder of the year. I'm so thankful for your support with this, however, it is also true that if children are unwell; if they are vomiting or have high temperatures, they should be kept at home and return when they are well. Please don't send children into school if you know they're contagious or think that we'll need to send them home to you later. Sometimes this can be tricky, especially if they're looking forward to something with their class, or even their school lunch, but little children love to share their bugs and colds – sometimes with consequences for staff and other children.

We've updated our practice around reporting incidents to you if your child is hurt throughout the school day. If we need to administer any First Aid to your child, you'll be notified by phone call from the school office, irrespective of whether you're picking up at the end of school, after a club, or from CATs provision, rather than talking to you at the point of handover.

Those of you who've been to celebration assemblies will have seen me distribute Lunchtime Star Awards. Just for clarification, these are given for children who show us great behaviours on the playground and around school rather than those who eat all of their dinner. We're planning opportunities across the remainder of the year for you to come in and have lunch with your children at lunchtime, should you wish to, just so you can see how things work and what goes on. I'll be in touch with you about this after the break.

If there are any parents or carers who'd like to volunteer to read with our children and give them further practice, we'd love to hear from you – please contact the school office and we can see where you'd be best placed. Thank you to those of you who are already volunteering – it makes a massive difference!

Last, I know you'll be looking forward to seeing the newsletter later this week and learning about all the things your children have been doing. I really hope you have a restful Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you on Monday April 17th at 8.40am on the gate.

As ever, thank you for your support. Happy Easter, everyone.

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