

St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary School

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Hopefully our families have managed to find some Christmas joy, despite the challenges many have faced. The direction of this school term is yet to be decided and will be dictated by government guidance due to the rate of Covid infections.

Because of the growing impact of the number of infections, schools have been advised by ministers to start preparing for COVID staff shortages. The Education Secretary, Nadhim Zahawi, has asked education settings to, 'do everything in your power to protect face to face learning for our children...However, if operational challenges caused by workforce shortages in your setting make delivery of face-to-face teaching impossible, I would encourage you to consider ways to implement a flexible approach to learning. Flexible delivery involves utilising all your available teaching and non-teaching workforce to maximise on-site education for as many pupils as possible while you flexibly deliver provision either on-site or remotely to some pupils.'

Our priority is to keep classes in school and only if we cannot safely cover classes with adequate number of adults, will we consider moving to remote provision.

Covid Updates

We will continue to monitor the number of covid cases within the school on a daily basis and will communicate with parents, as soon as possible, should we need to implement additional control measures, either within year groups or for the wider school community.

Click on the link below to view the latest government guidance: *Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection*

www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection

Class Assemblies

Please note that until further notice, all class assemblies will be filmed and sent out to parents via our Gsuite. We will reinstate parental attendance at assemblies as soon as Covid rates allow.

Dates for diary

Parents' Open Evenings
Thursday 10th March 2022
Wednesday 16th March 2022

Inset Day
Friday 11th February 2022

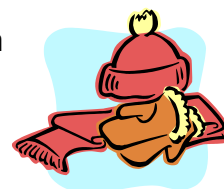
**Dressing up Day
(book week characters)**
Friday 4th March 2022

School Uniform

Our school uniform is part of our identity and ethos. Please ensure your child's clothing adheres to our school uniform code and that we avoid the assortment of multicoloured hats, scarves and gloves that started to arrive in school before Christmas.

Click on link below to view our uniform policy.

www.thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/School-Uniform-Policy-definitive-summer-2020.pdf



Remember we will continue to ventilate classrooms by opening doors and windows. Some children may wish to wear an extra layer of clothing while in classrooms during this time.

Click on link below to view details about this.

<https://www.thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/School-Uniform-Policy-addendum-nov-20a.pdf>

