



## All Saints' Catholic Primary School

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**Living our Faith, Learning in Love**

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Dear Families

Happy New Year everyone and welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful, healthy Christmas time with family and friends and feel refreshed and ready for an amazing year ahead.

We've enjoyed hearing all the children's stories this week – about how special their Christmases have been and all the fun they've had – they are so very fortunate, and now we're all looking forward to the prospect of another exciting, busy and memorable spring term.

We celebrated the Epiphany together this morning with a beautiful Mass led by Year 2 and Year 4, and it was lovely to see so many families there to share this celebration. The children were as magnificent as usual, they read clearly, sang so well and joined in the Mass wonderfully. Also, well done to Isabella and Emma who served on the altar this morning, helping Father Ned – all our children make us feel so very proud.

### Term Dates 2023 – 2024

Attached are the school term dates for our next academic year – starting in September 2023. These are also saved now on the school website along with this year's term dates too.

### Jury Service

Unfortunately, I have been called for Jury Service which will possibly take me out of school for the next two weeks. I, along with Trafford and the Governors, have appealed against my having to take part in this but despite several letters, this appeal has been refused and I have no alternative other than to be at Crown Court this coming Monday.

All the children remain in very safe hands with our fabulous Deputy Headteacher Mrs O'Dwyer, supported by our brilliant senior leaders Mrs Dutton and Mrs Murphy, and all our fantastic staff, who will be in school and available should you need their help or support at any time.

Should I not be called to attend an actual hearing (fingers crossed) I will return to school as soon as I am able. I will however, be available during breaks, lunchtime and at the end of the day, to speak with staff and respond to any emails requiring my attention.

### Illness

As with the rest of the world – or so it seems – we are seeing a huge rise in the number of children who are unwell with a number of nasty viruses circulating in our school. Many

children are having recurring illness too, catching different viruses on their return to school as their immune systems try to recover.

To prevent this spread and to ensure the children – and staff - are able to get healthy and well again, we have been asked by Public Health to repeat the message about the importance of keeping children at home if they are unwell. If your child has a temperature or they present as being unwell, **please** do adhere to this advice and keep them at home until they are better – many thanks for your support with this, I really do appreciate the disruption this can cause you all.

Dates for your diaries regarding special events this half-term will be with you all shortly and I look forward to seeing you all very soon.

With very best wishes



Anita Fagan  
Headteacher



*“I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things” Mother Teresa*