



Diocese of Middlesbrough



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ALL SAINTS RC SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

For the last three days, the UK has recorded in excess of 1000 deaths per day of Covid-19. These are shocking figures and every additional death has a significant impact on that person's friends and loved ones.

It is clear that we must act immediately if we are to prevent this pandemic from claiming yet more lives and threatening to overwhelm the NHS. I am very grateful that critical worker parents have been considerate in only sending their child into school if it is absolutely necessary.

Every child that comes into school is a potential transmitter of the disease and with over 350% more children in school now than we had in the March lockdown, the more challenging it is to prevent the spread of the virus. We are currently having to staff bubbles of students in all year groups apart from sixth form. This is having a significant impact on our ability to provide live lessons, as staff who are teaching, cannot also supervise students. We are currently using a combination of non-teaching staff and teachers and therefore, students at home and in school will not be able to access a live zoom lesson when their teachers are supervising.

Due to the numbers in each bubble, student seating plans are comparable to pre lockdown. I would therefore like **all** students attending school to wear face coverings whilst they are in the building and this **will include during lessons**. The government SAGE committee believe that there is evidence that children are not as severely affected by Covid. However, children can still pass on the infection to people at home, who may be severely impacted by the disease and therefore we must do everything that we can to prevent further transmission.

So, thank you for keeping your children at home and enabling us to provide provision in school for critical workers' children and for our most vulnerable students. It is much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S L Keelan-Beardsley
HEADTEACHER



Compassion



Truth



Respect



Forgiveness



Justice



Service



Gentleness



Humility



Stewardship