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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a really busy first full week in school and the children are settling in beautifully to new routines. All our new Reception pupils have started school this week and today was the first full day for everyone. They have been amazing! Our nursery pupils have been spending longer in school in small groups this week and this is also working really well. We have all been so impressed by the way our Early Years pupils have settled with such ease and confidence.

Thank you for all your support in keeping our entrance areas and playground safe at pick up and drop off times. Now that all our Early Years pupils are attending regularly, there are many more of you waiting at this entrance. Please could you stand close to the walls so that there is a space for others to walk safely past you on the pavement. We need to ensure that children are not having to walk on to the road to get past as this could would be very dangerous. We will monitor our times to see if we need to amend in order to reduce congestion in this area.

Thank you for supporting us in being really vigilant and keeping your children at home if they are not well. We are being extremely vigilant at school and sending children home if at all concerned. We are all aware that children have always had coughs and snuffles at school but we are minimising risks by asking you to pick your child up if at all unwell. It is vital that we keep everybody safe and keep our school open. We are following the regulations which have been sent to school by the DFE:

'What to do if a pupil is displaying symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)

If anyone in your school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and be advised to follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

This sets out that they must:





















- self-isolate for at least 10 days
- arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)'

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish News.

Although the church is now open again for Mass three times a week (Wednesdays 7pm, Saturdays 6pm and Sundays 10am), distancing restrictions mean that it is still only possible for about 20% of the usual congregation to attend. Since March and continuing now as we head into a time of ongoing restrictions, the Parish has been sending out by email a weekly Parish News to people who ask to subscribe. The News contains some thoughts from Father Emeka, ideas for children's activities around the Sunday readings and news of other parish groups and activities. It is an excellent way of remaining connected with the parish even if you are not yet able to get to Mass. This is so important for keeping the school, parish, family partnership active.

To receive the weekly News by email please send a message to Father Emeka with the subject line SUBSCRIBE to the address below and you will be added to the mailing list. lee@rcaos.org.uk

Please see the attached Parish News for your information.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the beautiful weather.

Margaret Hanrahan