



Friday 14th May, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Parking

Thank you for your help in beginning to ease congestion at the front of school by refraining from parking on the 'No Parking' signs. Unfortunately, we are continuing to have problems around the school site. There have been a few incidents when children and parents could have been seriously injured. I am looking into ways of improving the situation with Hartlepool Borough Council. Please be mindful about where you park – we must all work together to safeguard our families.

Celebrating St Bega's!

This year marks the school's 50th year (actual date 7th June). We would like to mark this milestone - however due to restrictions that will still be in place we will be limited in what we will be able to do. We are currently planning how we will celebrate the occasion and will be putting announcements out on our Facebook page to ask former pupils, staff and Governors to help us celebrate by sharing some of their memories with us. If you know anyone who attended the school but may not receive the information we put out, please let them know – we want as many of our previous St Bega's family involved as possible.

Attendance

We have had 94.98% attendance this week. If you need to contact school to report an absence, **please inform us if your child displays any of the Covid symptoms.** A reminder that if your child does display symptoms, it must be a PCR test that they take, not a Lateral Flow.

Wraparound Provision

You should all have received an email today directing you to link to a survey regarding Wraparound Provision in school - Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club. We are very keen to introduce this provision in September and so are collecting information regarding parental interest in this. Please take the time to complete the survey even if you are not currently looking at Wraparound Care.

Water bottles

Just a reminder that children should be bringing their own water bottle into school – especially as the weather is getting warmer.



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Cashless System

A reminder that as from 6th June we will be introducing a new "Online Payment" system to enable parents to pay online for trips (when we are able to have them), school dinners and Nursery fees.

School Cash Office will give you the option to pay online by debit card and view your account. There are many benefits to using this new application:-

- Simple to use web interface
- Payments are made through WorldPay so they are secure and reliable
- Parents can view their payment history online
- Reduces risk of pupils losing cash

Over the next few weeks, we will be sending out more information on how to register and set up your account ready for the 6th June.

Please note that all outstanding payments must be paid by **Thursday 27th May**.

Weekend Mass times:

Saturday: 5.00pm Vigil Mass at St Joseph's

Sunday: 9.00am at St Patrick's, 10.00am at St Joseph's and 11.00am at St Mary's

Please see the Holy Parish Newsletter (school website) for all Mass times, events and notifications.

Mass has been celebrated in school today with Fr Angus.

First Holy Communion 2021

Applications for first Sacraments are now closed. Due to the numbers who have applied and because of COVID restrictions, the first part of the programme will be mainly centred at St Joseph's. Application for first sacraments for the year 21-22 will be available in September.

Reminders

- Break up for half-term on Thursday 27th May and return on Monday 7th June
- Staff Professional Development Day – Friday 28th May

Stay safe and have a lovely weekend - I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Yours sincerely

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