



21<sup>st</sup> June 2021

Dear Parent/Carers,

As you are aware the progression to Stage 4 of roadmap out of lockdown has been delayed for another four weeks until 19<sup>th</sup> July. We need to be vigilant and do our part in order to ensure that the reopening does go ahead in a safe manner.

### **Mark 4:35-41**

#### **Jesus Calms the Storm**

<sup>35</sup> That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." <sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. <sup>37</sup> A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. <sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

<sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

<sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

This Gospel story highlights the stormy journey our faith has to make today. How easily our sense of Jesus' love and presence is drowned out by a multiplicity of voices. As a result, this lessening or loss of faith gives way to fear. At such times he may be asleep in the boat but his love never leaves us.

### **EU Settlement Scheme**

As you may be aware, if you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 30 June 2021. You can also apply if you're the family member of an eligible person of Northern Ireland.

If your application is successful, you'll get either settled or pre-settled status.

The EEA includes the EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.

You may be able to stay in the UK without applying - for example, if you're an Irish citizen or already have indefinite leave to remain.

For more information please visit the website below:

<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families>

### Walking to School

As the children come to the end of their primary years, many begin to become more independent and walk to school without a parent/adult. It is great that the children can be trusted with the responsibility of getting to school safely, however it is important that they keep themselves safe and go straight to school. Please speak to your children about safety while walking to school and please remind them that they should be going straight to school.

### Sports Day

On **Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021**, we will have our annual Sports Day, unfortunately **due to the current circumstances we are not able to have parents in attendance this year.**

**Children should attend school in their full PE kits for the day.**

### National School Breakfast Programme

The National School Breakfast Programme has launched its breakfast at home area on the Family Action website, where you will find lots of information and advice on providing a low cost, nutritious, daily breakfast at home [www.family-action.org.uk/BreakfastAtHome](http://www.family-action.org.uk/BreakfastAtHome)

### Mask/Face Covering

Please remember that we are asking all parents to wear a mask or face covering while dropping off and collecting their child each day to keep us all safe.

### Lateral Flow (Rapid) Covid Tests

School staff have had access to weekly lateral flow (rapid) testing since February. This is to help stop the spread of the virus by identifying asymptomatic people who are positive. As a part of the government initiative to further support this you can order kits to test your household, childcare bubble or support bubble if at least one member:

- is a school, nursery or college pupil
- works in a school, nursery or college (this includes temporary workers or volunteers)
- works in an [occupation related to a school, nursery or college](#)

A test kit contains 7 tests. You can order one test kit per household each day.

A flatshare or house share counts as a household.

### **Who this service is for**

You can only use this service if:

- you're 18 or older
- you live in England
- you do not have coronavirus symptoms
- you have not been told to self-isolate

- you or someone in your household, childcare or support bubble attends a primary school, a nursery, a secondary school, a sixth form, a college, or works at one
- you cannot get tests from a test site or your work

Test kits can be ordered at:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Scott', written in a cursive style.

Natasha Scott

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