



9<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

**John 10:27-30**

*<sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all<sup>[a]</sup>; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."*

Jesus is our protector and Shepherd who guards and guides, who feeds and protects us from the dangers of life and defends us from anyone who tries to take us away from him. We are assured of this gift as we stay connected to hearing his voice.

**Road Safety**

We have noticed an increased number of parents who are parking in front of the school. Just a reminder that you must not wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings. This is for the safety of the children.

In addition, the school entrance is fitted with an air pollution tester to learn more about the air that students breathe on a daily basis near schools; cars parked in front of the school cause even more air pollution. If this situation continues we may need to seek advice from Newham Parking Enforcement Services about how to keep the air around the school as clean as possible. If you have any suggestions please let us know.

**Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

As I am sure you are aware, we are marking a momentous occasion this year as we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. As a result, we will have a variety of events over the next few weeks to learn more about Queen Elizabeth and celebrate this remarkable achievement.

**Jubilee Homework**

The children will be asked to complete a special Jubilee homework to design and make a crown or tiara. Children will then bring this into school from Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Teachers will post more about this on Google Classroom.

**Classroom Activities:**

During the week beginning the 16<sup>th</sup> May children will have a History lesson about the Queen. They will also create personalized bunting to reflect the Queen's reign and contribution. This bunting will be displayed around the school.

### Jubilee Royal British Bake off

We are calling all bakers to take part in the St Michael's Jubilee Royal Bake off to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee! We are asking our talented parents to create a cake that they feel represents the Queen's 70 year reign.

Cakes would need to be in school on the morning of 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. A full list of ingredients will be required for each entry and no cakes with nuts will be allowed.

There will be prizes for the best cakes chosen by the children!

There was a Google form sent out on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022, please complete the form by Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022, if you would like to enter the St Michael's Jubilee Royal Bake Off.

### Jubilee - Celebration Week

The week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> May will be our Jubilee Celebration week which will culminate in a picnic in Central Park from lunchtime 12:00 on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> May, parents are invited to join us in the park for this picnic. The children will be provided with a packed lunch for the picnic. In addition we will ask the children to come to school that day wearing, red, white and/or blue for a non-uniform day. The children are asked to donate £1 for this day using School Money.

### Class Assembly - Class 2

We will celebrate the work that Class 2 is doing in Religious Education with a class assembly on **Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 9:15 am**. Parents of children in this class are warmly welcomed to attend.

### Class 1 Assembly

We will celebrate the work that Class 1 is doing in Religious Education with a class assembly on **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 2:30 pm**. Parents of children in this class are warmly welcomed to attend.

### Cycle Safety

The London Borough of Newham is committed to making cycling a safe, enjoyable and practical method of transport in the borough. Anybody who lives, works or studies in the borough is entitled to the following free services:

<https://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/newham/>

### Class Photos

The children will be taking their class photos on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Please ensure that your child is dressed in full school uniform.

<https://st-michaels.newham.sch.uk/parents-and-carers/school-uniform/>

### Free School Meals

Please check to see if your child is eligible for free school meals; eligible children may receive holiday vouchers to support with food purchase during holiday times. Please check to see if your child is qualified <https://www.newham.gov.uk/schools-education/free-school-meals/2>.

### Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As I am sure you are aware, we are celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year. In honour of this, there are two bank holidays on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> June (during the school's half

term break). As a result, schools have been asked to set aside an additional day in their school calendar for this additional bank holiday; **therefore, on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> June the school will be closed for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We will reopen on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022.**

### **Coronavirus Update**

From 1<sup>st</sup> April the Coronavirus guidance changed. Please check the NHS website for the most up to date guidance.

While you're no longer legally required to self-isolate if you have COVID-19, you should try to stay at home and away from others to avoid passing on the virus.

### **How long to stay at home and away from others if you've tested positive for COVID-19?**

If you have COVID-19, you can pass on the virus to other people for up to 10 days from when your infection starts. Many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days.

You should:

- try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days
- avoiding meeting [people at higher risk from COVID-19](#) for 10 days, especially if their immune system means they're at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, even if they've had a COVID-19 vaccine

This starts from the day after you did the test.

### **If you have symptoms of COVID-19, and a high temperature or do not feel well enough to go to work or do your normal activities**

You should:

- try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people
- avoid meeting [people at higher risk from COVID-19](#), especially if their immune system means they're at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, even if they've had a COVID-19 vaccine

You can go back to your normal activities if you:

- feel well enough to do so
- do not have a high temperature

God Bless,



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