



“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

To strive for respect, enjoyment and excellence for all!

23.06.2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Covid 19 update

I am pleased to report that we do not have any members of staff or children who have exhibited Covid 19 symptoms. Our school website has a Covid 19 section that contains lots of useful information. Please can I remind parents that children should wear fresh, clean clothes each day; children should not be sent to school in clothes that they have been worn the day before.

Today Boris Johnson announced the relaxation of a number of restrictions, stating that ‘those who can go to school, should go to school’ and that there should be full attendance in September. From 4th July there is to be a reduction in social distancing from 2 metres to ‘1 metre plus’ and some further guidelines will be published later this week for businesses to enable them to open further. Regarding here at school, we await further information but are preparing to welcome everyone back in September. Our EYFS team will be contacting families of Nursery and Reception children over the next two weeks to share information regarding our new starters.

Bubbles

Thank you to those parents who informed school of their intentions regarding a school place between now and 17th July for critical workers, Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. As expected, we now have an increased number of children back in school which has meant that our critical worker, Reception and Y6 bubbles are now full. We have further places available in our Nursery and Year 1 bubbles. Although Boris Johnson has stated that the 2m social distance is reduced to 1m plus from 4th July, we do not intend to change how our bubbles are organised for the last fortnight before the summer break.

Slight change to the end of term

School will now be closed to ALL children (including those of critical workers) on Friday 17th July as we plan and prepare the building for the return of all children in September and the reduced social distancing measures. Regarding school opening over the summer, we await further information from the Department of Education and Salford Authority. At the present time, there are no plans to open St Andrews over the summer break to any children. There are a number of building repairs that need to be completed which have been delayed owing to Lockdown.

September staffing

I can confirm that there won't be any changes of staffing for the majority of classes for September. As announced earlier this month, we are saying a fond farewell to Miss Simms and are pleased to welcome Mrs Buckley to our Y6.

Learning Pack Exchange

Please see the timetable below:

Learning Library Exchange 9.15-9.45					
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Class	Y2 Nursery non attenders	Y3 Reception non attend	Y4 Y1 non attenders	Y5 Y6 non attenders	

There is a box for you to return the completed packs and a table with the new packs, along with a suggested reading book (from Reception upwards) that parents should take.

Free School Meal Vouchers

Vouchers for July have been ordered and emails should start to arrive from the 29th June. We are really pleased that the Government will fund vouchers over the summer holiday. Schools are waiting to hear how these will be distributed as it has



not been confirmed if we will continue to use Edenred as the distributor.

PGL

Mrs Whittington has sent out refund cheques by post to families this week.

Information for Y6 going to Ellesmere

Ellesmere will be having a new skirt for September. These will be available to order from Whittaker's Swinton in August either online, by going into the shop after booking an appointment online or by phoning them. If you know your child's size they can just order it from the website. As the skirt is not actually in stock until August, however, we have been told that they can make appointments and go in and order them and then the skirt will be delivered in August.

Get Creative!

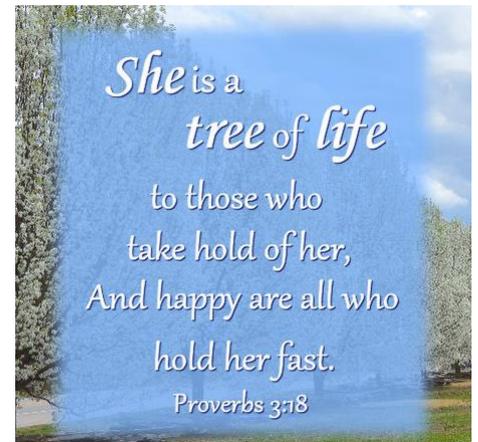
The Lowry are asking Salford residents of any age to share their creative responses to the lockdown – these could be poems, stories, videos, photos or art works which reflect our experiences of the pandemic and isolation. These works will be shared online from 1st July until The Lowry re-opens and then they will be displayed in the gallery. Submissions should be sent to: dayslikethese@thelowry.com More info is available here: thelowry.com/dayslikethese

Don't forget you can find lots of inspiration and creative resources for youth and community groups on our Creative Hub <https://thelowrycreativehub.com/> and LoveLowry Blog <https://thelowryblog.com/>

Thank you to everyone for your continued support. Keep well and stay safe.

God bless,

Mrs Bladen-Kay
Head Teacher



'St. Andrews continues to be a good school... and is a happy place. The pupils that I spoke with are proud to belong to a school where the differences between people's culture and beliefs are celebrated. Pupils told me, 'We welcome everybody; we are all friends'. Staff are very proud to work at the school. Leaders and staff are determined that all pupils will achieve their very best.' OFSTED 28.01.2020

