



## Saint Edmund's and Saint Thomas' Catholic Primary School

Oxford Road, Waterloo L22 8QF

Headteacher Mr K A Loftus

Tel 0151 928 5586

Fax 0151 928 4352

*Love Learn and Live Like Jesus*

[www.stedmundsprimary.co.uk](http://www.stedmundsprimary.co.uk)

---

Happy New Year!

11<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Belated happy new year wishes to everybody after a late return to school followed a late finish for Christmas. Many of our families appeared to enjoy a family Christmas with others having mixed experiences with the ongoing impact of Covid Omicron virus. Alas, we are hopeful that 2022 will bring us a greater stability in all aspects of school and home life!

Life is going on but we were affected to some degree by staff absences in the first few days but we managed to gain cover and will do so in the future – fingers crossed! As we had stated towards the end of last term, a return to remote learning would occur in the most extreme circumstances where we could not source supply teachers. You may know that the government had sent out an appeal to retired teachers to return to the profession to cover absence such were their concerns.

As of 11<sup>th</sup> January people who receive a **positive lateral flow** test will be required to self -isolate for **seven** days but will not need to take a confirmatory PCR test. Two **negative lateral flow** tests on day 6 and 7, (24 hours apart) of their isolation will allow them to return to school/ work. **Source: Government / Public Health Sefton**

We have emailed a letter to Reception and Year 6 parents regarding the reintroduction of the NCMP child height and weight programme so please make a note of the details if you have children in this year group.

**Admission for Reception Deadlines** Please note that the deadline for a Reception place in September 2022 is fast approaching 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Punctuality and Attendance.** We are looking carefully at our attendance figures as referrals to the attendance panel are taking place as well as fixed penalty notices being issued. Please do everything you can to promote good attendance. We are very aware that Covid accounts for some absence but we are looking at other reasons for absence and have had to make referrals Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

### Nursery Refurbishment

We are planning to invite Nursery parents into the Nursery for a look around at the refurbishments hopefully this term so we will keep you posted when it is safe to do so.

Yours sincerely

K A Loftus Headteacher

A Pritchard Deputy headteacher

