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Mission Statement “We are special people on a journey, growing and learning together in search of excellence, as we follow in the footsteps of Jesus.”

Dear Parents,

12th June 2020

The school reopened for children in N, R, Y1 and Y6 on Monday, they are in ‘bubble groups’ and are kept separate at all times.

15 Y6 in hall with Mrs Pasha, 7 Y6 in Library with Ms Freeman, 9 Y1 in Y1 classroom and 9 Y1 in Y2 classroom where Miss Lambert can teach both groups from the Y1 room as the partition allows her to see the Y2 group who are supported by Mrs Hutton. The key worker children are in the Year 3 classroom with Ms Kelly and Mrs Johnson.

Lunch is served in each classroom, there is a choice of 5 wraps, fruit and yoghurt. The choices next week are chicken & sweetcorn, cheese & tomato, egg mayonnaise & cucumber, tuna mayonnaise & cucumber or cheese.

The announcement that more children would not be returning was disappointing but not unexpected. We will consult with the LA and yourselves to find a way for children and teachers to end this academic year and make transition to their next class a happy and positive experience. Whether this takes place in July or September we will find out in time. We will keep you informed when we have clearer guidance of our remit.

Home schooling for the summer term will continue to be provided for children still at home. This will include be a mixture of academic work and creative and physical wellbeing activities. We have invested in G Suite which includes Google Classroom and we hope to provide a more personalised experience for home learning when it is up and running.

Please be mindful that your child may be unable to sustain enthusiasm or concentration following the announcement that they cannot come back this term. Consider activities that you know they enjoy and keep their spirits up and the pressure off. Keep us informed and we will support you in any way we can.

Have a good weekend.

Miss B Nugent

Fr Alex has asked me to share the following request with our English Martyrs community as he prepares for the reopening of our beautiful Church. I hope some of you may have spare time to offer.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ASSIST WITH HELPING PEOPLE WHO VISIT THE CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

PLEASE CONTACT FR. ALEX ON: 020 7488 4654 TO VOLUNTEER

Each parish is expected to be in full compliance with the rules imposed for the health and safety of everyone. In order to re-open the Church we need to ensure that there is adequate staff or volunteers to support the process. Staff and Volunteers should be deemed healthy and fit for work and should not be in the group classed as clinically vulnerable (over 70 years or specific pre-existing health conditions), self-isolating or shielding.

THE STEWARDS AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

Stewards Plan your team to have a steward to cover the entry point, the nave and the exit point.

The stewards must ensure that numbers do not exceed the maximum capacity of the church.

If you have a Rota for the volunteers, where possible, keep your team in groups, i.e. the same group of people working together on any given day.

Guidance should be given to stewards on social distancing, ‘catch it, kill it, bin it’, effective hand hygiene and actions to take in the event of a First Aid emergency.

Stewards must not physically interact (shake hands, hugging etc.) with parishioners with the exception of an emergency situation.