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The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, 19th June 2020

RE: Weekly Update for all parents

Dear Parents

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine.

Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will.

Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you.

Protect me in the midst of danger.

Comfort me in my afflictions.

Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death.

Amen.

This first part is update is for parents of children attending school from Monday 21st (Key Worker parents and parents of children in nursery, reception, Y1 and Y6).

All children should come to school in home clothes with a water bottle and a piece of uncut fruit and a clean hand towel everyday. It's going to be HOT next week so they will need to have sunscreen on and be wearing a hat or cap too.

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As you know from Monday we are rearranging the Key Worker groups so that they are receiving the same input as the other groups in school. Welcome back videos will be going out to new starters later today please look at them with your child and follow them closely.

From Monday all children in school will receive a school lunch. These need to be booked for via Parent Pay and we will use this booking as notification that your child will be in school. The sign up form on the website will go. It's very important that you use the meal booking part of Parent Pay as this will also be how you will be notifying us that your child/ren will be in school. If the form isn't completed your child will not be able to come into school until it is. If you are having problems please call the office and they will be able to help you.

Parents and (if in Y6 children too) need to sign the Returning to school agreement and either bring it in or email it in: <http://www.smi.hounslow.sch.uk/Media/returning-to-school-covid19.pdf>

If your child is in nursery, reception, Y1 or Y6 and is not yet in school remember that you have until 12 noon on Wednesday to let us know that you would like them to come back. They will then be allocated to a group (Key Worker group or Class Bubble depending on age).

Now an update for all parents.

Once we have the final numbers for children in nursery, reception, Y1 and Y6 and the final Key Worker returning numbers we will look to see how many other places we can allocate. I have contacted Gunnersbury and Gumley to see if they have rooms we can use to increase our returning numbers but unfortunately they do not. Government guidance means that we are not able to use the Church Hall as all community type buildings are closed and have to remain closed.

We know that so many of you want your children to return and we want them back too. Whilst the current cap of 15 children per group remains we are limited in what we can offer. I will be able to give you more information after the cut off for the Key Worker and EYFS, Y1 and Y6 parents to take up places which is 12 noon on Wednesday.

If you are finding that you need more routine at home and with home learning we recommend you look at the Oak Academy resources as they do offer a timetable. Most of the staff are now back in school with only a few continuing to work from home but we are acutely aware that our sense of 'returning to normal' is not something which you share.

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Today the Government reduced the country's Covid-19 alert level from 4 to 3. That's great news and should trigger more freedoms and relaxations moving forward. It's our hope that we get more information on the Government's plans (which we must follow) over the next few weeks. When we do I'll report back to you.

Resources to support your child's mental health can be found here: <https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk>

And a recent assembly by HRH The Duchess of Cambridge on Kindness here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/assemblies/>

Best wishes to you all – stay safe!

St Mary: Pray for Us!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'F Marsh'.

F Marsh - Headteacher

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