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Dear Parent/Carers,

### **John 20:19-23**

#### ***Jesus Appears to His Disciples***

*19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.*

*21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." 22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."*

Jesus came to the disciples at the time of their great fear. He came to them although the doors were locked. He comes to us too, wherever we are locked in by fear, and he gives us his peace. Let us think now of those areas in our lives where we are afraid. Let us imagine Jesus coming and standing before us and saying "Peace be with you". We stay there for a little while, looking at Jesus, hearing his words of peace, feeling calm return to our heart.

Jesus breathes upon us and gives us the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of peace and truth and joy. We can turn to this Spirit for help whenever fear threatens to overwhelm us in my life.

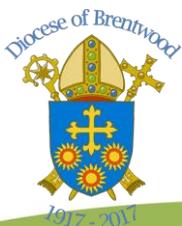
### **School Video**

On Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021, we will be putting together some information about the fantastic work that the children, parents and staff at St Francis' do each day. There maybe someone on the playground recording some footage for this at the start and end of the school day.

### **Parent Survey**

The governing body and staff at St Francis' would like to hear about your experience as a parent/carer at St Francis'; we would be grateful if you could take five minutes to complete the survey below.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdq5iG6z5pVz8r32X4O5OmeVRyou\\_dfhINpmN5JqaOWdqHDng/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdq5iG6z5pVz8r32X4O5OmeVRyou_dfhINpmN5JqaOWdqHDng/viewform?usp=sf_link)



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### Science Day

On Friday 28th May we will be celebrating our Annual Science Day. This year's theme is 'Innovating for the Future,' and we would like the children to bring in a self-designed lab coat to wear on the day. All day, the children will work as junior scientists, carrying out science experiments and STEM challenges, evaluating the results, and drawing conclusions. In addition, our Year 5 and 6 students will conduct research for a presentation on Covid 19. There will also be our annual 'Gadget Shop' available all week during play and lunch times where the children can buy their favourite gadgets ranging from 50p to £3.

### Anxiety Workshop

Thank you to the parents who attend the recent anxiety workshop, we hope you found it useful. It's really important that if you book to attend a workshop that you do attend, unfortunately we had a number of parents/carers who booked to attend the workshop last Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> May at 6:00 pm, but did not attend. Additional resources can be found at the following website:

[Emotion Coaching Resources for Professionals \(emotioncoachinguk.com\)](https://www.emotioncoachinguk.com)

### Afterschool clubs

The new after school clubs for Summer 2 were made available on ParentPay; these clubs start on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> June. The last day to book a place in one of the clubs is Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May.

### Half Term Break

The school will be closed for the half term break on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021. We will open as normal on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> June.

### Citizenship Weeks

The generosity of our families continues to be overwhelming! We have raised **£1625.17** for our Citizenship Weeks fundraising for **Magpie Project**. This project is a part of our local community which provides a safe and fun place for mums and under-fives suffering in temporary or insecure accommodation.

### School Uniform

As we move into the summer term, please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform and that the uniform fits your child appropriately. Please check the school's website for a reminder on the school uniform <https://st-francis.newham.sch.uk/parents-carers/school-uniform/>

The uniform supplier is Ian Howard - <https://www.ianhowardschoolwear.com/>

### Mask/Face Covering

As we begin to open more and are able to do normal activities please remember we all need to do our part to keep each other safe. Please remember that we are asking all parents to wear a mask or face covering while dropping off and collecting their child each day to keep us all safe.



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### Lateral Flow (Rapid) Covid Tests

School staff have had access to weekly lateral flow (rapid) testing since February. This is to help stop the spread of the virus by identifying asymptomatic people who are positive. As a part of the government initiative to further support this you can order kits to test your household, childcare bubble or support bubble if at least one member:

- is a school, nursery or college pupil
- works in a school, nursery or college (this includes temporary workers or volunteers)
- works in an [occupation related to a school, nursery or college](#)

A test kit contains 7 tests. You can order one test kit per household each day.  
A flatshare or house share counts as a household.

### **Who this service is for**

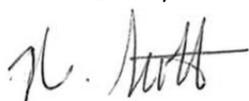
You can only use this service if:

- you're 18 or older
- you live in England
- you do not have coronavirus symptoms
- you have not been told to self-isolate
- you or someone in your household, childcare or support bubble attends a primary school, a nursery, a secondary school, a sixth form, a college, or works at one
- you cannot get tests from a test site or your work

Test kits can be ordered at:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

God Bless,



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