



Thursday 21st October 2021

Dear Family

Road Safety Week

Road safety week takes place during the **week beginning 15th November**. As you will be aware, staff, pupils and parents are working extremely hard to increase awareness and safety around our school site. The risk to pupils and other pedestrians continues to be high due to parking on pavements and the speed at which cars travel past school at the start and end of the school day. In addition, we continue to get complaints from neighbours that members of the school community are parking inconsiderately across drives. We have therefore decided to make Road Safety Week a focus week in school. Children of all ages will be accessing teaching and learning resources from BRAKE, the road safety charity. We will be holding a **road safety non – uniform day on Friday 19th November** where children will be invited to wear brightly coloured, highly visible clothing to raise awareness of the dangers associated with our roads. If families would like to donate £1, school will use all donations to support our road safety campaign to continue to raise awareness and safety.

COVID - 19 cases and half term holiday

Many thanks for your continuing support regarding the health and safety of our school community. We have seen an increase in cases, particularly over the last week. Please could we ask that you continue to be vigilant regarding symptoms of COVID-19 and seeking a **PCR** test for any coughs, temperatures or change in taste or smell. Regular lateral flow testing is also very useful for identifying any **asymptomatic** cases.

Should your child test positive for COVID-19 over the holiday, please could you report the date of the onset of symptoms, the type of symptoms and the date of the positive result to info@st-james.dudley.sch.uk This will allow me to keep track of any possible outbreaks that have occurred in school.

Light Party

St James's and St Michael's parishes are hosting a Light Party in the grounds of St James's Church – Belfry Drive, Wollaston on Friday 29th October 5 – 6 30pm. Children of all ages can discover all about light through art and craft activities. There will be refreshments and there is no charge for admission.

I wish you all a very happy and safe half term holiday. I know that the children are very much looking forward to and in need of a well-earned rest after a busy and productive half term, in school. We will maintain ventilation levels in school when we return in November so children will need to wrap up warm!

Yours sincerely

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