



Emmaus Catholic Parish Primary School Sydenham

Emmaus Catholic Parish Primary School has a commitment to the care, safety and wellbeing of children.

Thursday November 26, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is wonderful to have so many restrictions easing and to have some normality easing back into our lives. Let's hope we can continue to be COVID free so we can celebrate Christmas together with our loved ones.

We are very excited to be able to hold the Sacrament of Confirmation with our Year 6s before we end the school year and they venture off to new beginnings at their secondary schools. The children are currently continuing their preparation and excited to be celebrating this Sacrament with their family and friends.

As a Parish we are waiting to see if restrictions ease before we make plans for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation for 2021. At the moment due to the size of our church we are only able to have 75 people attend. When these dates have been organised I will inform parents as I know how much organising goes into these sacraments.

Next week we will be holding parent/teacher interviews via **Google Meets**. Unfortunately we are still unable to have parents on site. These interviews will enable parents to chat with teachers about the goals set for the children at our term 3 meetings and to find out how children have settled back into school in term 4. Reports will be emailed to parents on Thursday, 3rd December. This year we need to hold our parent/teacher interviews before reports go home as we are celebrating Confirmation the following week. If you have any questions after receiving your child's report please feel free to contact your child's teacher.

The children have had a wonderful time practising and performing for their 'COVID' Christmas concert. We hope you enjoy their performances from the comfort of your own homes. The concert will be sent home on Thursday, 3rd December.

We will be holding our class Cross Country Run next Tuesday and Wednesday on your child's sports day. Could they please wear their house colour t-shirts. Thank you to our Physical Education team Lara Merhi, Andrea Greaney and Natalie Nisi for organising this event for us.

Next year Foundation students will begin on Friday 29th January. Students in Years 1 - 6 will begin school on Monday 1st February. Children will be required to wear their summer uniform when they begin. The school uniform shop is now open or you can click and collect. The school uniform shop is located at 2/51-53 Westwood Dr, Ravenhall.

Just a reminder the school year will conclude on December the 11th at 3pm and 3.10pm. Please note the current school arrival and dismissal times will continue until the end of the school year.

Our transition day - 'Step Up' day will be held on Monday, 7th December. This is a chance for your child to connect with their teacher and classmates for 2021. They will also find out which classroom they will be learning in. If your child is unwell on this day they must not come to school. If they are unwell and not at school we will give them time to meet their teacher and find out who their classmates are when they return. Each child has been guaranteed at least **one** friend from their list of four friends.

As I have said many times before, my door is always open to any questions or ideas you may have. You can email, phone or contact the school and arrange a chat. I would rather chat things through with you personally than for you to be misinformed through hearsay and via social media.

Have a wonderful week,

Jackie