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Catholic Voluntary Academy

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SOCIAL DISTANCING

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you for working with us so well in keeping to the staggered start and end of day times, we do appreciate how difficult it is for you arranging work and home life around this. It is also very challenging for us in school to plan the teaching day around it but we will do all that we can to keep our families and staff safe.

Try not to arrive early but if you do arrive early on any occasion can **family groups entering by the main school gate please wait on the pavement opposite school and ensure you are well spaced out to allow for social distancing.** It is essential that we all maintain social distancing and avoid children in different bubbles/classes mixing as much as possible in order to keep each other safe.

I have been informed that some parents are advising others to keep their children away from specific children in school in case they catch coronavirus from them. Whilst I understand this is an anxious time for everyone, please don't spread rumours of this nature around the playground which could lead to children being isolated or shunned unfairly. Luckily, we have had no confirmed cases of coronavirus in school and parents are being very cautious and sensible about keeping their children off school if they have even one of the covid symptoms or other illnesses and getting them tested.

We follow all the government guidelines in school with regarding protective measures against covid. Parents can help significantly to protect themselves and others by keeping to staggered start and finish times and social distancing at these times.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Kind regards,

Tracy Lane
Headteacher