Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March

**Dear Parent/Carers** 

## COVID

Unfortunately last week (and this morning) we have seen a dramatic rise in COVID cases within school. Please continue to be vigilant and monitor your children for symptoms. In line with the Government and NHS recommendations our school policy is that students and staff who test positive for Covid-19 must not attend school for a minimum of 5 days. They should remain at home and they should self-isolate.

## **Fundraising**

Thank you so much over the last few weeks for your amazing generosity to help school. The Cabaret Night raised over £1700 and the we are still counting the sponsored read money but we have already surpassed £1800! In addition on 'Twosday' you donated over £500.

Our next fundraising through the season of Lent will be for the crises in Ukraine. One of our families is directly affected and we will be assisting them with resources and support. On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in church we will join St Ann's school to 'Sing for Peace;' an evening of music, readings and prayer to raise money for all affected by war and conflict.

## **Staffing**

Huge congratulations to Mrs Langford who was recently promoted to Office Manager and next week we welcome Rachel Quinn to the office team. I am sure they can both rely on your support and warm welcome to their new roles. Mrs Doyle has asked me to pass on her thanks to you all for her warm send off.

## Lent

We are now in the season of Lent and one way we can do extra to show our faith is attend an extra mass. This week on Thursday and then every week in Lent we will celebrate mass at 8.15am. I really do hope you can join us, particularly children who have taken Holy Communion and would be interested in being altar servers.

Thank you all for your amazing support.

Yours sincerely

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