## ST. BEDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

I am writing in relation to the ongoing measures we've had in school during the past few weeks as a result of positive Covid cases within our school. I have been in frequent contact with the DfE helpline and am now pleased to report that our numbers in school have fallen below the threshold that would be deemed an 'outbreak'.

Therefore, I would like to let you know that Morning Club will resume tomorrow from 8am as normal. Drop off and pick up times will also revert back to normal – with children being brought out to the yard at 3:15pm (Infants) and 3:20pm (KS2) respectively.

Next week – art club will run on Tuesday after school and this will also run after half term for the same pupils. A new club letter will be sent out next week for different clubs if they can be staffed.

I would ask that parents/carers please remain vigilant whilst on the school grounds and maintain social distancing wherever possible and leave the premises promptly after collection. I would also ask that any contact with the school office continues to be made via the phone and/or email in the first instance. Additionally – please ensure when you collect your child that they remain with you at all times and do not roam around the school yard or climb on the play equipment (this would also apply to pre-school children). Covid is still a very real and present risk within our society and I do not wish to have to reimpose restrictions if it can be avoided! It causes far too much disruption for you as parents and for our children.

In school, we will continue to operate on a 'bubble' basis until half term, as I feel an air of caution is still required. Therefore, the children will still have separate break-times and lunchtimes etc. and Liturgical Prayer will be held via TEAMs. All being well, we can relax these restrictions after half term.

I would like to offer my sincerest thanks to you all for your ongoing support; as a parent myself, I know first-hand how difficult it can be when schools implement restrictions or changes at very short notice. You've been fantastic and so have your children! We've come through this hurdle together and without having to close classes and or sections of the school. Given how small we are – this is an amazing achievement and much of this should be credited to you!

Thank	

With every best wish

Mrs Clarke

Headteacher