## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND

**PRIMARY SCHOOL** 

Church Lane Lowton Warrington WA3 2PW

**2** 01942 201140

web www.saintlukes.wigan.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mr S Hardaker e-mail <u>enquiries@admin.saintlukes.wigan.sch.uk</u>

04 January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers.

I would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful new year. I realise that Christmas was a difficult time for many of our families as Covid-19 and Omicron took its grip of the country and it is my greatest hope that 2022 will be a better and more positive year for us all.

As we return to school it has been necessary to make some small changes to our daily routine, with the aim being to keep St Luke's open to all children.

- We request that parents and carers wear a face covering when dropping off and picking up children and at all times when speaking to staff. There will be no changes to start and finish times.
- We request that parents and carers minimise the time spent on the playground and exit as soon as you
  have dropped your children off.
- For the time being we will not hold whole school gatherings and will return to class based Worship and assemblies.
- We request that, should you need to speak to a member of staff, you contact the school office by telephone to make a telephone appointment.
- If your child has forgotten something, please contact the school office by telephone before bringing it to school.
- We request you follow the latest government advice if you or your child/children experience any Covid-19 symptoms or are close contacts of a positive case. This can be found by following this link: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus">https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus</a>
- The Safe and Sound Club will be open as normal.

As you will become aware, we have a number of staff absent from school as we start the new year. As I write we have contingencies in place to cover these absences, but should these absences increase I cannot guarantee that some classes will not have to merge, be taught by different members of staff or return to distance learning. I would like to reassure you that this will be a last resort but, understandably, we are having to work on a daily approach and further measures and distance learning cannot be ruled out.

Finally, I would like to welcome Mrs Clarke to our Year 1 class, where she will cover Mrs Finch and Mrs Beechey's maternity leave. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming her to St Luke's.

Thank you all for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

S Hardaker

Mr S Hardaker Headteacher





















