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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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The country has entered a new national lockdown, with the government making it a priority that schools remain open, so that children do not miss out on their learning and their social, emotional and mental health is addressed.

It has been very encouraging to be seeing attendance rates at St Wilfrid's into the 90%'s, but it is very important that we remain vigilant to the symptoms:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss of smell or taste

If anyone in the household has symptoms, then the whole household should self-isolate. Children must not come into school. The family member with symptoms should get a test. Please inform school immediately about the test result.

Please note we have republished the quick reference guide for Covid-19 pupil absence - you can find this on the school website homepage under 'Latest News'.

On Thursday, unfortunately, we had a confirmed case of Covid-19 in Year 3. Following advice from Public Health England, it was necessary to send Year 3 home to self-isolate. While home, they will be accessing online learning each day, set by their class teachers.

All other children can, and should, continue to attend.

Sacraments

Due to the national lockdown, we have had to postpone the planned celebration of Confirmation and Holy Communion in November.

We will be in touch when we are able to set new dates.

Parental Consultations

Thank you to all those parents who were able to take part in the consultations with the children's class teacher. We hope you found them informative and helpful, as we work together to support the children's progress.

Values and Virtues

This half term, we are trying to be more **Intentional and Prophetic**

When we act intentionally, making good decisions, we can choose to live how God would like us to and we can encourage others to do the same through our good example and through our words and deeds.

Year of the Word

This half term, our chosen words of the Gospel are, 'The Word became a human being and, full of grace and truth lived among us, John 1:14'. As we move nearer to the season of Advent, we start to think more about how important Jesus is in our lives - what it means to us that he dwelt among us and showed us the way to live.





Poppy Appeal

Poppies have arrived in school. Children may purchase a paper poppy for a suggested donation of 50p. They are to bring the correct money into school, as no change can be given.

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, we are unable to sell other poppy merchandise this year. We think of, and pray for, all those who we honour when we wear our poppies who have sacrificed their lives during times of war. Thank you for your support in this.

Sunday 8th November is Remembrance Sunday - on Wednesday we will hold a two minute silence at 11 am to remember the brave men and women who have served us so well in the armed forces. We particularly remember Joseph Murphy, a past pupil, who was killed in action in Afghanistan.

Behaviour Awards

Blue Badges: Aun, Mateusz, Cecilia, Layla, Jameelah, Logan J, Christiana, Scott, Amari

STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK

Nursery	Lucy-Lou
Reception CT	Ken
Reception SS	Bentley
Year 1M	Hurairah
Year 1GP	Fletcher
Year 2B	Dominik
Year 2G	Annayah
Year 4B	Elisha
Year 5B	Alice, Miley-Louise
Year 5M	Julia
Year 6G	Ann
Year 6TW	Archie
WISE OWL AWARD	Amari (6TW)

Well done everyone!

Prayers

We continue to pray for all those in our school community who are in hospital as a result of Covid-19 and pray for their speedy recovery.

Stay safe and enjoy the weekend

Yours sincerely,

R Baker and staff

