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Dear families of St. Kentigern's,

# Video tour

It is usually this time of year when we invite parents in to see all St. Kentigern's can offer in our early years provision. Due to Government restrictions, this hasn't been possible and so we have compiled a video tour which is on the front page of our website. As you can see, St. Kentigern's has outstanding provision. We also have Chester! An article in Manchester Evening News has been published today on the following link:

https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/special-features/

I know that you are as proud of our school as the staff are.

### **Holy Communion**

From Monday, our current Year 4 children will make their First Holy Communion. I am sure that you will keep them all in your thoughts and prayers for what is such a special occasion. Mrs Malone has sent letters out to parents with all the information required however, if you have any queries, please contact school.

#### Harvest

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October is our Harvest celebration. We would be grateful if you could please send in non-perishable food items in on this day which we will then send to Cornerstone on your behalf. A letter detailing the items allocated to each class has been sent out this week.

# **Early Years Play Equipment**

When children are collected at the end of the day from Reception classes, they should not play on the equipment. I would be grateful if you could support us with this by ensuring the children are kept close to you at all times. Additionally, some children are unsupervised in the nursery carpark. Again, this is not safe and I would request that the children are closely supervised by you at the end of the school day to ensure their safety.

# **Nut Free School**

As we have some children and staff members who have a severe allergy to nuts, our school is a nut free school. This includes Nutella. I would be grateful if you would ensure that nuts of any variety are not a part of your child's packed lunch.

### Read Manchester and Transport for Greater Manchester reading map.

'Reading is like a journey – where will you go?' is a new initiative from Read Manchester to promote reading across the city. The campaign aims to promote reading for pleasure and to encourage children to try different authors and genres of books. It uses the Metrolink map as inspiration. Every child in year 5 and 6 will receive a copy of this map today. The books are available for everyone to borrow from Manchester Libraries in physical or digital formats.

### Thank you!

Since adding the additional exit point, the playground has been far less busy and social distancing has greatly improved at the end of the day. I understand how hard it is for everyone at the moment. The rule of 6, as well as not being able to visit other people outside of your immediate bubble, is very testing but at least the children can still come to school and be with their friends.

### The month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Rosary and in school, the children have been learning about this special prayer.



Our R.E. newsletter this month provides families with resources to support praying together at home and this can be found on the following link:

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/

With continued best wishes,

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Headteacher



Chester helps the children prepare for their First Holy Communion