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Dear Parents/Carers

As half term approaches, we are delighted to see that many of the areas of school life have returned to 'normal' after 18 months of disruptions. Students are able to access all the specialist teaching areas in the school and a range of extracurricular activities has resumed. We had a Wear Red Day on 15 October for the British Heart Foundation; on 22 October we will be having a Day out of Uniform, to contribute to our charities' fund (£1 donation requested).

Ongoing COVID measures

The DfE has issued a letter for parents that was sent out on Monday 11 October, reminding families of the measures that students should be taking each day, to keep themselves and their families safe. These include using hand sanitiser during the day on a regular basis, wearing masks in corridors and busy places in school, wearing masks on public transport, not coming to school if they feel unwell, lateral flow testing twice per week and having a PCR test if they have been in close contact with someone who develops COVID. Any student who needs more lateral flow test kits should go to the Pastoral Office at break or lunchtime to request more.

In school, windows and doors are being kept open as appropriate, to allow for ventilation. There are hand sanitisers placed around the building and in each classroom.

Students who opted in to the vaccination programme received their vaccination on 4 October. Any student between the ages of 12 and 15 who wanted to have the jab but did not take up the opportunity on that day should contact their GP for advice. We do not have information at the current time of any catch-up programme in school.

Flu Vaccinations

To further protect the community all students in Y7 to Y11 will be offered the flu vaccination (by nasal spray) in school on 14 December (consent letters will be sent out nearer to the date).

Parental Communication – ClassCharts Parent App

All Saints will move solely to using the ClassCharts Parents App for communication from Monday 1 November and this will replace the MyEd messaging service. We will use this as the sole channel of communication for school trips and permission letters, information about events including Parents' Evenings, school closure due to adverse weather and permissions for non-uniform day events for students.

The ClassCharts Parents App can be downloaded for Android and iOS and is available from the App Store or Google Play. The code needed to access ClassCharts has been sent to all parents and carers via MyEd. If you have not received your code to activate your ClassCharts account, please contact reception on 0114 2724851 or email m.d.davis@allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk

Parents and carers without the ClassCharts Parents App will not receive key communication from school, so we encourage all parents and carers to download this today.

All parents and carers who download the ClassCharts Parents App will be entered into a prize draw where the winner, selected at random, will receive a £50 Amazon voucher. To be entered into the draw, please ensure your ClassCharts parent account is registered by 31 October 2021.

Half term 2

After half term we will have our post 16 Open Morning on Saturday 6 November – places need to be booked for this event (see information on the website). A number of Parents' Evenings then take place virtually before Christmas.

Yours sincerely

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