St. Gerard's Primary School

COVID19 Coronavirus Omicron Update

We are now familiar with the term "Omicron" with all of the implications that this may have for our community and our school. After the holiday we will be returning to tight "bubbles" with reintroduction of 10 day isolation arrangements for household contacts.

- That means if anyone in your household tests positive then everyone should isolate for 10 days regardless of a negative PCR
- Non household contacts such as those at school will require a PCR test to confirm a negative result before returning to school. This will apply to staff and pupils.

Two weeks holiday is a long time given the changing information coming from National and Local government so please keep yourself informed as the holiday period develops. I will write to you after the holidays to confirm all arrangements.

Christmas at St. Gerard's

As we reach the end of the term we reflect that, despite Covid, we have had a relatively festive time within school. We began with our Christmas Fayre which was very successful and all our parties went really well. We have had our Advent Assemblies online and classes have had the opportunity to attend Mass at the church. Our infants performed the traditional Nativity show and many of you joined us online for this special occasion. We even had Santa visit our Primary 1 and 2 children. We hope everyone has had a lovely time and enjoyed the festive activities within the school.

Christmas Food Bank

Our foodbank has been very successful and we will be presenting our collection tomorrow, 21st December. Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed to what is a very good cause at such a challenging time for so many families.

PE Day in January 2022

Our PE days have changed slightly so please prepare your child for the following days.

Monday P1, P1/2, P2/3, P5/6 & P7 Tuesday P1/2, P2/3, P3, P4/5 & P7 Wednesday P3, P4, P4/5, P5/6 & P6 Thursday P1, P1/2, P3, P4 & P6 Please ensure children are dressed appropriately on these days and have a full water bottle.



Contact Details

Parents should not come into the school office unless instructed to. If, for any reason you need to contact the school please email or phone the school office.

Email: enquiries-at-stgerards@northlan.org.uk

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Parent Group/PTA

Our new Parent Group has met online on two occasions and we can confirm we have a core group to act as the new "Parent Council/PTA". In the new year we will hold an awareness raising competition to name the group and give it a title befitting our ambitions for the school and our community.

Christmas Finishing Times 2.20pm/2.30pm We finish for our Christmas holiday on Wednesday at <u>2.20pm/ 2.30pm.</u> Please ensure that you make arrangements to collect your children at 2.20pm and/or 2.30pm. Any child uncollected will be handed to Santa's elves for the remainder of the holiday

"Here, The Will of God is Done" St. Gerard Majella

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