

# St Fidelis Catholic Primary School

## 6 January 2022 Newsletter



### WELCOME BACK

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week and start our new year together. There has been lots of learning already this first week back and the children have settled exceptionally well back into the routine of school life after the Christmas holidays. We hope all our families have had a very happy start to the new year.



### SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY

Please note that **Friday 21st January** is a staff-training day and so **school will be closed**. All academic dates are available on the school website or available via downloadable google calendar.

### YEAR 4 RESIDENTIAL

We are looking forward to welcoming back our Year 4 children after their 3 day residential to Sayers Croft this week. Many thanks to the staff team who generously gave up their own free time to lead this trip, which provided so many rich opportunities for the children to develop independence and collaboration skills.



### SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs will be resuming for the spring term the week beginning 10th January 2022 and finishing the week beginning 21st March 2022. Please make payment online via MCAS [www.mychildatschool.com](http://www.mychildatschool.com) to secure your child's place as spaces are limited.



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## ADMISSIONS

The last day to submit Reception Supplementary Forms to St Fidelis is **Friday 14th January**. Bexley will close their applications on **Saturday 15th January 2022**. Parents can apply for schools via Bexley by using the following link; <http://www.eadmissions.org.uk>  
**Please ensure you have applied directly to St Fidelis as well as Bexley before these dates.**



## OPEN DAYS

We are holding our last open morning for Reception on **7th January - tomorrow**. There is no need to book but please note it will start promptly at 9.30am and last approximately 1 hour. Please note this will be an external tour.

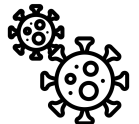
## PRIEST SIGNING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SIGNING SCHOOL FORMS REQUIRED FOR ADMISSIONS TO ST FIDELIS

Our Lady of the Angels, is offering individual appointments to sign school forms for entry into St Fidelis Catholic Primary in September 2022. Appointment times are listed on the parish website so parents can book a time slot through the parish appointments page: <https://www.olaerith.org.uk/appointments> - if all appointments are gone please contact the parish office directly to make an appointment.



## COVID CASES RISING

With transmission rates of the infection rising nationally and in our local community and new positive cases being identified, we have been asked by Public Health Bexley to remind everyone of some measures we can all take to keep ourselves and others safe.



- If you are over the age of 18, or you have a child over the age of 12, get vaccinated.
- If you are in a busy or enclosed area, wear a mask.
- If you don't have symptoms, carry out twice weekly testing using lateral flow tests.
- If you have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive, get a PCR test.

Please remember, do not come to school if you are displaying any possible symptoms of coronavirus. This is a high temperature, a loss of smell or taste, or a new continuous cough. Feeling unwell means staying at home.

Please continue to keep us informed if your child tests positive for coronavirus. To do this please send an email to [admin@st-fidelis.bexley.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-fidelis.bexley.sch.uk) with the subject line: URGENT - Positive Coronavirus Case.

## OMICRON SYMPTOMS

Although not confirmed, it seems likely those affected by the new Omicron variant may display the following symptoms: a scratchy or sore throat, headache, runny nose, sneezing and fatigue. If anyone in the household is displaying any of these symptoms, get a PCR test as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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