



# St. Anthony's

SPECIALIST SCHOOL ●●

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Dear Parents/Carers

After the past four weeks of challenge, we have welcomed the majority of the pupils and staff back this week, and hopefully with no additional cases of COVID we plan to have all our 'bubbles' back in on Monday for the first time this term. It has been a challenge but we have coped with your support, so thank you.

As the school returns to 'normal' the Government announced this week that Kent will move into tier three when the national lockdown ends next Wednesday.

The general tier three guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know#very-high-alert>

### **Tier 3 guidance:**

Although there is no specific tier 3 education guidance that has been published so far, the general restrictions for tier 3 are likely to have an impact on those schools that had been hoping to host live Christmas events. Under tier three, schools should not host performances/events with an audience. St Anthony's still wish to ensure the pupils will have the opportunity for seasonal celebrations which are COVID Safe.

To raise much needed funds for the PTFA we are holding a virtual raffle. There will be a range of prizes and we will post a photo of these on ClassDojo in due course. Tickets go on sale on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November, £1 for a strip of 5. If you would like to buy some, please send the money in to the office with your name, phone number and how many you would like, and we will send your tickets home with your child.

Christmas Lunch - we will not be able to have the whole school in the hall but instead we will have lunches in classrooms on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. If you wish your child to have a Christmas lunch and you are not eligible for Free School Meals, the cost will be £2.30. A letter will be sent out soon so you can book your child in for this.

The 16<sup>th</sup> December will also be our Christmas Jumper Day so we look forward to seeing the range of jumpers on display that day.

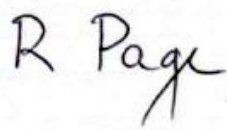
As we are not able to have the Christmas Fayre, the PTFA is organizing an In School Mini Fayre for pupils on 17<sup>th</sup> December with more details to follow.

## Dates

- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Raffle Tickets go on sale
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December £1 Non-uniform day
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December
  - COVID Bubbles Christmas Lunch
  - Christmas Jumper Day
  - Christmas Raffle Draw
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December COVID safe In School Mini Fayre for Pupils
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 1:15pm close last day of term 2

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



Robert Page  
Headteacher