11th November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

My thanks to those of you who supported our efforts last week while we were inspected on our performance as a Church School. The **SIAMs** (Inspection of Anglian and Methodist Schools) went well and I will report on the findings in due course.

Congratulations for our **newly confirmed pupils** in Years 5 and 6; Mailei Everden, Tayla Boyd, Alexandra West, Ben Boyd and Oliver Bubiec. It was very rewarding to participate in their confirmation at Holy Trinity Church last Thursday and truly heart-warming to witness.

Well done to the **PFTA** for their amazing **fancy dress disco** last Thursday. The pupils enjoyed dressing up, dancing and having fun at this event. Their efforts continue in the weeks ahead in preparation for the Christmas fayre scheduled for Thursday 5^{th} December. They welcome any clean **jams jars** (with lids) that they will no doubt be put to good use for the event.

My thanks to all of you who have supported the Co-op through your custom over the past few months. According to the latest tally, £3,000 has been raised for school funds. Well done!

We are also encouraging you to help us collect **Sun newspaper tokens** in support of our library. The newspaper is offering schools over £600 in books if they are able to collect at least 3,500 tokens. The offer commences on Saturday, 23^{rd} November and runs until 18^{th} January. For further details please enquire at the school office.

On Friday, 15th November we are holding a tag day for Children in Need. We request that children come to school "spotty" on the day and make a 50p contribution towards this worthy cause.

My apologies for any disruption/communication issues caused by our school telephone network not working last week. Unfortunately when such lapses occur we have to await for the service provider to rectify the situation. In this instance it has taken several days, yet our network is still not completely mended.

Please note that we will be **texting** parents from now on via **ParentPay** - the same system we use to circulate newsletters and emails. Hence we will not be using <u>Parentmail</u> in the future.

Finally, but very importantly it has been reported that parking and traffic congestion at the beginning and end of the school day continue to be a health and safety concern for many parents and children. Safety must always be our highest priority, at all times. Please note that I will be contacting the local council and highways agency to request that greater oversight can be given to this vital issue. Please ensure that you use caution and observe traffic and parking regulations at all times. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Kreiselmeier Head Teacher