



Saint Joseph's

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Thursday 30 September 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I trust that you and your families are well and are beginning to understand the new regime with regards to the management of Covid-19 in schools. I wish to reiterate here, if I may, that as a school we will do everything we can to support all of our families and we will ensure that we keep you informed where we can, based upon the new regulations.

We now have the date from Virgin Care for the Flu and Covid vaccination: Wednesday 13 October. I must reiterate here that we are the venue only. Virgin Care will be leading the whole process and responsible for the Flu and Covid vaccinations. Please do read the letter attached for further details on how you consent and book your child/children in for these two separate vaccinations.

As an understanding and caring Head teacher, I want you to be aware that I believe this decision has to be yours as a family. This is uncharted territory for us all, and hence no judgement will be made on any family for the decisions you make. You are the parents who know the circumstances of your child/children and your wider family best. The Government and Wiltshire Local Authority advice is clear and I urge you please to read around this widely rather than basing opinions on other avenues.

What I can also assure you of, is that, we will be as discrete as possible when the day comes. However, Virgin Care will have processes and procedures that they have to follow as well.

I know that your decision will be the correct one for your families but if you wish to discuss we are more than happy to answer any emails on covid@sjcs.org.uk.

I will return to my opening comment of this letter, we have to protect all of our community in a way that ensures we have everyone's circumstances at the centre of our heart. Difference in opinion will be challenging but that is a personal choice and we all must respect each other's opinions.

Please do as we always ask – look after yourselves and your families. We are here to help when it is needed.

Yours sincerely

Mrs RA Ridley
Headteacher

'Be strong and courageous, do not be frightened, do not be dismayed for the Lord your God is with you, wherever you go'
Book of Joshua