ST MARK'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to the announcement to delay the Stage 4 lockdown easing that was made last night, we are having to relook at our planned activities this term. Although the delay is only until the 19th July, which is our last week of term, it is being suggested that schools guidance will not be updated until after the summer term ends which impacts on what we had planned to do.

As a result, the Laurel production will have to be filmed like it was last year and placed on google classroom for families and other classes to watch. We are also going to have carry out Sports Day in class bubbles without parents. We know that this is very disappointing but we have to follow the guidance to keep our community safe, especially with the rise in Covid cases in our area.

We will still be having our transition afternoon on the 14th July so children can spend time with their new teacher and class but we will be having this outside to minimise the risks.

Classes for 2021-22 academic year: Bluebell (Reception) – Mrs Price Fern (Year 1 and 2) – Miss Mitchell Bramble (Year 3 and 4) – Miss Button Laurel (Year 5 and 6) – Mr Holmes

We are planning to go ahead with a Leavers service in the Church on the 23rd July at 1:30pm just for <u>Year 6 and a maximum of 2 adults per child</u>. This will allow us to say goodbye to Year 6 and their parents. Adults will need to wear a mask and socially distance from other households. The children will be able to perform songs but we ask that the watching adults do not join in with the singing. Year 6 children will then be able to leave with their adults straight after the service.

Please remember to continue to social distance and wear masks (unless exempt) at drop off and pick up, especially with the new delta variant which is more transmissible. Thank you for all your support and understanding over this tricky year; you have made it so much easier for the whole staff team and it has made me appreciate our wonderful St. Mark's community more than ever.

Yours sincerely,

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