



THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
ST. CHAD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents/carers,

Firstly, I would like to wish everyone a belated Happy New Year and extend a warm welcome to you.

My name is Mrs Krystyna Bickley and I am very pleased to join St Chad's Catholic Primary School as the interim headteacher this term. I am an experienced headteacher and in recent years have worked as a consultant and Executive headteacher across the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

It has been a pleasure welcoming the children back to school ready for the start of the spring term and I have been very impressed with their demeanour, attitude and enthusiasm. They certainly look very smart in their uniform. I look forward to getting to know the children and yourselves in the coming months.

As you are aware we are following guidance from the DFE with regards to Covid- 19 and adhering to guidance on sanitation, ensuring school is cleaned and areas sanitised regularly. The children are continuing to wash their hands regularly to minimise the spread of infection within school. All of the staff at St Chad's are striving to keep healthy but unfortunately, we are managing some staff absenteeism due to Covid. I am very conscious of maintaining as much stability for the children as possible and ask for your understanding and patience at this time. I do hope moving forward we will be able to get back to a more 'normal' existence.

Should children be absent from school due to Covid we will follow our Remote Learning Policy and ensure learning is shared with you, so you can support your children at home. I know last year many of you became 'teachers' yourselves, a challenging time for all. This year we are very hopeful that schools will stay open but should a bubble/school closure occur we will revert to remote/online learning

This term I will be focussing on the Catholic Life of the school, the teaching and learning at St Chad's and the curriculum. In the meantime, thank you for the warm welcome I have received, continue to stay safe and thank you for the support you offer your wonderful children.

Yours sincerely

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