



Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Education Trust

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St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy Covid-19 – our on-going summary plan to manage the current public health emergency March 16th 2020

Dear parent/carer,

We continue to prioritise, in no particular order, the following:

1. **CLEANING** - we have stepped up our cleaning routines and non-urgent meetings, fixtures, visits etc. will be cancelled.
2. **REGULAR HANDWASHING** – reminders regarding regular handwashing – all colleagues.
3. **VITAL VISITORS** only please. Please offer any “vital visitor” a handwashing opportunity. Please use the visitor toilet adjacent to Westburn.
4. **VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS** - we are considering those who may be more “vulnerable” within, and beyond, our community eg. students and staff with underlying medical conditions or within particular age groups. Everyone in our community will likely have friends/family who are in the “vulnerable” category and/or they themselves may have some degree of vulnerability.
5. **ON-LINE LEARNING PLATFORMS** - staff are continuing to expand our on-line resources:
 - **Post -16 - FROG**
This is our post-16 learning platform (similar to university learning platforms). It will be the main method of keeping in contact with post-16 students. We are checking all log-in details, contact details etc.
 - **KS4 - GCSE POD**
Subject and course unit specific podcasts available to students to download onto any device to support GCSE subjects. We are checking all log-in details, contact details etc.
 - **KS3 - SamLearning**
Subject specific on-line learning resource for all key subjects. We are checking all log-in details, contact details etc.
6. **SUPPORTING THE ANXIOUS** - support for those who may be more anxious, for whatever reason, and generating a sensible “**can do**” and “**community**” attitude with all students and colleagues.
7. **AVOIDING WASTE** – of valuable supplies of any type.
8. **KEEPING CONNECTED** - anyone self-isolating, upon the recommendation of 111, for 7-14 days (student or staff member) will need to communicate to keep up with their work.
9. **QUICK COMMUNICATION** - of any changes will be communicated to all stakeholders via Twitter:

Please note our trust twitter accounts:

@St_Anthonys3 – St. Anthony’s Main School – estb. Dec. 2010 - 2,646 followers

@St_Aidans_RC – St. Aidan’s Main School – estb. June 2011 -1,899 followers

@AAASixthForm - St. Anthony’s and St. Aidan’s Catholic Sixth Form – estb. Dec. 2017 - 718 followers

@BeaconSch – Beacon Teaching Alliance (the teaching school based at St. Anthony’s) – estb. September 2014 – 276 followers

@ourlady_cet – the multi-academy trust consisting of St. Anthony’s and St. Aidan’s (until 01.04.2020) – estb. May 2019 - 77 followers

A total reach of **5,616**.

@NorthernSaintsC – the multi-academy trust established Feb. 2018 – 73 followers (after 01.04.2020)

All Monkwearmouth Catholic Primary schools (9 in total) also have twitter accounts:

@emrcsunderland - English Martyrs, Red House.

@stannercp – St. Anne’s, Pennywell.

@St_Benets – St. Benet’s, Fulwell.

@CuthbertsRC- St. Cuthbert’s Grindon.

@SJBSunderland – St. John Bosco, Town End Farm.

@StJoeSunderland – St. Joseph’s, Millfield.

@St_Leonards_RC - St. Leonard’s, Silksworth.

@StMarysSchoolRC – St. Mary’s, Meadowside.

@stpattricksrcp - St. Patrick’s, Ryhope.

Twitter messages also appear on all websites ie. the two school websites and the trust website. Other messaging methods will also be used. We also have the ability to deliver messages via school comms (text) and via the website news page to parents and other stakeholders. Please sign up to twitter and if you prefer not to use twitter then please note our other messaging methods.

Wishing you, your family and your friends good health and best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

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