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Dear Families,

I would like to extend a very warm welcome back to you all. The children look extremely smart and represent St Mary's wonderfully. A huge thank you for the time and effort that you have clearly given to this, it is much appreciated.

Following recent work with the council and TFGM we have successfully re-established the School Street restrictions. A number of drivers were using the road for reasons which did not comply with the Traffic Order. Unless you are a blue badge holder or a resident you are not allowed access. You are encouraged to either leave the car at home and walk, cycle or scoot to school or, if this is not possible, plan to park further way from the school gates and walk to school. Ample parking is available at both the Carousel pub and St Mary's Church.

We are looking to support Mr Moores in manning the afterschool and before school closures. We will provide free child care for your child if you are able to help us with this, potentially on a regular basis. Please let me know or email [admin@st-marys-reddish.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-marys-reddish.stockport.sch.uk).

Here at Marys, our relationships with families is very important to us. Our first parent - child session will be Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 9-10am and the focus will on this occasion be reading and phonics. Parents are warmly welcomed into school to learn and complete fun activities alongside their child.

These sessions are organised each half term with the popular 'Christmas Craft' session taking place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9-10am. As a school we greatly value and encourage our relationship with parents and hope you are able to join us for these. My aim is to give advance notice allowing time to juggle work and other commitments.

A parent drop in session will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October from 3.30 – 5.30 This will enable you to ask any questions and find out how your child has settled into their new class. This will be followed by a more formal parents evening in February. If you have any concerns or questions please do not wait for these dates and arrange to see your child's teacher or speak to them as they are available at classroom doors both before and after school.

As a Church of England school our Christian values of: Respect, Forgiveness, Perseverance, Love and Creativity underpin all that we do. The value this half term is, 'Friendship.' Jesus chose us as friends, he died for us as friends, he calls us to trust him as a friend, and he will remain our friend for the endless ages to come. What a friend we have — moment by moment, now and forever — in Jesus.

Proverbs 27:9 states that **“The sweetness of a friend comes from his earnest counsel”**. This proverb highlights the value of a friend's advice, comparing it to the pleasantness of oil and perfume. It suggests that good counsel, given from the heart, is a source of joy and refreshment.

Finally, a huge thank you to all the families who attended our information session on Tuesday. Whilst we appreciate not all families were able to attend, the PowerPoint shared is available on the class pages of our school website, as is essential information regarding PE days and detailed information regarding what your child will learn this term and the year ahead.

Thank you for ensuring only all black footwear is worn on non- PE days. If you have any questions or concerns regarding anything in the letter or about anything in regard to school life please come and speak to me or your child's class teacher.

Once again it has been so wonderful to see all of our families return to school and we are looking forward to a positive year ahead in which we will strive to achieve great things with the strength of God leading the way.

With the warmest wishes,

Mrs Faryniarz