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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it to half term! You have all done an amazing job in supporting our home learning and we are so incredibly grateful. We fully acknowledge the difficulties of trying to juggle your own work and engaging with the work from school. The standard of work being sent back in is super and the teachers and I have been delighted with what we are receiving. I would like to thank you on behalf of all the staff for the very positive, kind and supportive messages that we have had over the last few weeks, they have kept everyone going through some very tricky times. We are happy that our provision is balanced and provides additional wellbeing and fun activities that can be completed away from devices, reducing screen time. Our Teams meeting catch ups are going incredibly well and these will continue after half term. Two of our academies now have the Microsoft Office 365 Learning Platforms set up and more work will be set on Teams moving forward. St Augustine's staff are receiving their training imminently, so please watch this space St A's families!

The three academies will be closed for the February half term so our staff can take a well-earned rest. Whilst we are closed, I will be taking texts on my work mobile number should there be any new positive cases of Coronavirus. Please text this number for COVID related issues only. If your child tests positive, please can you let me know the following details in the text:

- Pupil's full name and academy they attend
- The date they became symptomatic
- The date of the test and result
- The date of the last time they were in school

The mobile number is: 07519106864

I had planned on setting up Teams meetings to allow the children to show me their Hopes and Wishes jars this week but unfortunately, one of my daughters and I tested positive for COVID-19 and I have only just returned to work following my isolation period. It would be wonderful to see the jars in school! If they could possibly be dropped off when picking up the paper packs on Monday, 22 February, that would be fantastic. If you are unable to get to school to do this, please send me some pictures of the jars and e-mail them to me at: executivehead@thesaintsacademies.co.uk I have seen some of the ones that have arrived in school already and they are magnificent!

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Our COVID-19 Risk Assessments have been updated again this week and these can be found on the academy websites (Academy Information, Useful Links). The new additions are highlighted in blue.

Can I please ask that you remain vigilant over the half term break and remind you of the current lockdown restrictions in place.

Summary: what you can and cannot do during the national lockdown

You must stay at home. The single most important action we can all take is to stay at home to protect the NHS and save lives.

You should follow this guidance immediately. This is the law.

Leaving home

You must not leave, or be outside of your home except where necessary. You may leave the home to:

- shop for basic necessities, for you or a vulnerable person
- go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home
- exercise with your household (or support bubble) or one other person (in which case you should stay <u>2m apart</u>). Exercise should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.
- meet your <u>support bubble</u> or <u>childcare bubble</u> where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one
- seek medical assistance or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse)
- attend education or childcare for those eligible

If you do leave home for a permitted reason, you should always stay in your local area - unless it is necessary to go further, for example to go to work.

Staying in your local area means stay in the village, town, or part of the city where you live.

If you are <u>clinically extremely vulnerable</u> you are advised to only go out for medical appointments, exercise or if it is essential. We recommend that you do not attend work

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Meeting others

You cannot leave your home to meet socially with anyone you do not live with or are not in a <u>support</u> <u>bubble</u> with (if you are legally permitted to form one).

You may exercise on your own, with one other person, or with your household or support bubble. This should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.

You cannot meet other people you do not live with, or have not formed a support bubble with, unless for a permitted reason.

Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.

Thank you again for your continued support. The staff and I wish you all a happy and restful half term.

Best wishes

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