

# Spring 1 Newsletter



Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our end of term newsletter and the first one for 2021.

I think we can all agree it has been a tough term and challenging times for our community. Lockdown hasn't been easy at all. We have all had to adapt to so many changes – routines, home learning, following government guidelines, dealing with the virus, changing behaviours of the children and many, many other stress factors. Our increasing home visits and supports such as giving out food parcels, have highlighted just how difficult it is for some of our families.

I do believe that when this is all over we will come out stronger and ever more resilient to difficulties we face. Overcoming them is made so much easier by sharing our worries, fears and when we just need a helping hand.

I want to thank you all for making sure we are doing our best to support home learning.

I do apologise for the capacity limit on Zoom and connection issues in today's assembly. I know so many of you were looking forward to seeing everyone and many of you are disappointed. More challenges but hopefully our IT support team will work on resolving the issues we had. Thank you for being so patient.

School will be closed during half term – **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> until Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February.**

School will **open on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** – please pick up the Home learning Packs and drop off the completed ones as usual from 11am.

Children in allocated bubbles will attend as usual from 9.00am.

There will be a welcome assembly on the morning of Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10am. Details will be sent out before the assembly starts.

School office hours will operate as normal from 8.00am. Please email if you have any queries [admin@st-agnes.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-agnes.manchester.sch.uk)

Please report any COVID related information to [covid@st-agnes.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:covid@st-agnes.manchester.sch.uk).

In Charles Mackesies' book, *The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse*, the Boy asks '**What's the best thing you've learned about storms?**' to which the Horse replies '**That they end.**' We pray for this storm to end soon.

I wish everyone in our community a very safe and peaceful holiday.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Uddin