







### Dates for the Diary

14th September - INSET (School closed)

15th September - Meet the teacher

2:45pm in classrooms

25th September - Nasal Flu vaccination

13th October - family & individual photos

18th October—ST Luke's Day

20th October - Class Council Elections

\*School Disco (tbc) 20th October  
or 1st Dec

24th—28th Oct - Half Term Holiday

9th November - Parent Consultations

16th November - Parent Consultations

23rd November - Parent Consultations

7th December - Christmas Party Day

19th December - Christmas Church  
Service & Last Day of Term

19th December - 4th January -  
Christmas Holidays

5th January - Back to School

### School Street

We are really pleased that the Government Infrastructure Department have agreed to continue with the highly successful School Street at the start and end of the day, making it much safer for our children to come and leave school.

### Voice21: Oracy Skills

This year we continue working in partnership with the UK **Voice21** programme to develop Oracy across the school. **What can you do at home?** You can help your child by actively engaging in conversation with your child. Ask your child to explain their reasons and teach them that it is good to disagree and to change your mind. Initiate some discussions and debates - dinner time is a great time to do this as a family. Discuss new words and support them to broaden their vocabulary.

### Fire regulations—what it means for us...

Following the introduction of the latest Fire Safety guidelines, introduced in the summer holidays by States Employment Board & Property holdings, we (like many schools across Jersey) have been instructed to comply with some short term and long term directives.

- Coat pegs in corridors have been removed and replaced with small, temporary, mobile units (to be stored in a cupboard during the day). This affects Yr2, Yr4 & Yr5. Coat pegs will be replaced with fire proof lockers for the children (these have been ordered and we are waiting for these to arrive). Until then we are very limited with the space we have to store coats and bags. Backpacks required for after school activities or movement between family homes can of course come in and we will find somewhere to store these, however finding cupboard space for up to 84 bags isn't going to be possible. As such we ask that, while we await lockers, children carry in their snack/bookbags/water bottles or use a carrier bag (which is easy to store).
- Top floor of the rectory building (IT suite / SEN interventions) - this can no longer be used due to concerns around safe exits.
- Main Library - temporarily this can not be used due to concern around safe exits. To enable our children to still access a library we are currently negotiating with Jersey Library to get weekly visits from the Mobile Library and we will be heavily investing to further develop in class book corners. Jersey Property Holdings will be submitting plans to find ways that this area can be returned to use.
- Shared area computers are currently being replaced with more laptops—these are currently being set up with the CYPES education system & network.

We fully appreciate (and share!) many of the frustrations that accompany these restrictions and appreciate your support with this.