

## St Nicolas and St Mary Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Parent & Carer Consultations – Autumn 2020 (Wednesday 4th and Tuesday 10th November)

Rather than the normal face to face parent consultation meetings, your child's class teacher will be contacting you to discuss how your child is getting on.

- The phone call will be made to the Primary Carer telephone number that we have on our systems.
- The call will come through as 'Withheld Number' please do answer at your allotted time.
- If you are not available to answer the call, then unfortunately you will miss your consultation slot.

Each appointment will be for 9-10 minutes and we need to strictly keep to these timings (Teachers **will** need to end the call just before the 10 minutes is up, to be ready for their next appointment).

Please make sure you are free for 10 minutes <u>before</u> and <u>after</u> your appointment to give us a bit of flexibility as we trial this new way of doing our consultation meetings. Your feedback will be welcome in due course!

In order to help keep the conversation on track we thought it would be helpful to share in advance an outline of what we would like to talk about. Overall, we are delighted with how children have settled back into school. However, we want to give you the chance to reflect on how things really are for you and your child.

We would also like to discuss how your child is getting on academically. Many children have not been in school full time for nearly 6 months and this means that they are behind where they should be. We need to think about how we can work together to help them catch up.

## **Consultations – Key Questions**

I. Reflections on lockdown experience not already shared with school.

- 2. Settling back into school: How is your child settling back in to school?
- 3. Attitude to learning/behaviour: What is your child's attitude to school work and learning at the moment?
- 4. Assessment: What do any assessments undertaken recently in school, tell us about 'gaps' in learning?
- 5. Next steps: How can we together, support your child?

It may be worth making a few notes before talking to your child's class teacher. If there is anything else you would like to discuss, please do say, but be mindful that we still need to keep to 9-10 minutes.

Kind regards

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Mr A Lincoln Acting Headteacher