St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

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16th May 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

SCHOOL WILL REOPEN TUESDAY 17TH MAY 2016

We would like to thank pupils, families and staff for your calm response and strong support following the fire. You have played a big part in enabling us to get the school deep-cleaned and ready to reopen so quickly.

We will ensure that the children and staff have whatever support they may need and assure you that your child's safety is our key priority. We have been working with a number of agencies to ensure the site is safe for your child's return to school and we have put plans in place for their continued education. We understand many children will need to talk about the incident that occurred last week and have arranged for a team of qualified counsellors to be on site.

At this moment in time investigations are still ongoing and so we are focusing on getting the children back in school and into their normal routine.

This week, we will see a number of changes including the delivery, on **Thursday 19th May,** of four temporary classrooms for Key Stage Two. We are endeavouring to keep this disruption to a minimum; however, you need to be aware that you may not be able to use Farfield Street at certain times during the day whilst the classrooms are being delivered. We would suggest that you park on Scotchman Road on Wednesday. These classrooms should be in use from **Monday 23rd May 2016**.

Arrangements dropping off and collecting your children for the rest of the week are as follows:

Nursery & Reception Classes: As normal.
Year 1 and Year 2: As normal.
Year 3 and Year 4: Children to be dropped off at the **Year 1 classroom door**. Please collect your child from the **main entrance** at the end of the day.
Year 5 and Year 6: Children to be dropped off at the **Year 2 classroom door**. Please collect your child from the **playground** at the end of the day.

As there will be a lot of movement through school in the morning, we ask that parents/carers do not come to the school office until after 9.15am, except in an emergency. All monies can be left in an envelope with your child's name and class on it, in the cash box in the main entrance.

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For this week only, Years 3 & 4 will remain on our school site, based in our Learning Resource Room and ICT area. Years 5 & 6 will be taught by our staff, in Community Resource rooms at Lister Primary, which is independent of the main school. However, the children will be returning to St Cuthbert's at lunchtimes to be with the rest of our school.

We appreciate many pupils have lost personal possessions and uniform in school. We have been able to save the coats and bags from the Year 3 & 4 cloakroom. These will be available for children to collect tomorrow at the end of the day. Unfortunately, the Year 5 & 6 cloakroom was severely damaged and we have been unable to salvage any property.

We do not expect parents to have to buy uniform for Year 6, therefore, they may come into school in non-uniform. We have put in place an order for school polo shirts for our Year 6 pupils which will be at the schools expense. We have also requested the delivery of the school leaver's hoodies to be brought forward for the children to wear instead of jumpers/cardigans. We have a number of school waterproof jackets available for parents to borrow if they require a school coat.

We are not sure about the process for insurance claims but we will inform you as soon as possible.

Breakfast and After School Club provision will run as normal.

We would like to thank you once again for your support.

Yours sincerely

D. Copley

Mr D Copley
Executive Head Teacher

R. Winnery

Mrs R Winnery
Head of School