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Following in Jesus' footsteps, we live, love and learn together as a school family to build a better world.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Following the Prime Minister's announcement that Plan B will end with effect from Thursday 27th January 2022, I am writing to let you know that we will start to 'open up' school slowly and cautiously. Currently, cases in school are very low therefore 'opening up' will happen with effect from Monday 31st January 2022. However, should cases start to rise we will have to respond appropriately and our Outbreak Management Plan will be updated and shared with all parents/carers so that you are kept informed of what is happening and why.

With effect from Monday 31st January 2022 school will start to open up as follows:

- 1. The school gates will open at 8.35am. We will continue with the 'Drop and Go' system as this has become very much part of the children's daily routine and children have adapted very well to this. This will be reviewed in March 2022.
- 2. All our internal systems of control will continue: frequent hand washing, sanitising of tables, keeping classrooms ventilated and children will continue to be encouraged to sneeze/cough into the crook of their arm.
- 3. Assemblies these will continue to be hybrid (virtual and some year groups in attendance in the Spiritual Space) with a slow build up to whole school assemblies/acts of worship by March.
- 4. We will resume our OPAL routines at lunchtime. This means that the children can choose which 'Zone(s)' to play in and within every 'Zone' there will be a mixture of children across all year groups.
- 5. Opportunities for parents to come into school for workshops, assemblies, Masses and celebrations will be planned in and will be shared via the school Newsletter.

Thank you for your support throughout the last 2 years of this pandemic. Everyone has had to make sacrifices and everyone has been impacted in different ways and at different times by Covid-19. We have learned that 'Together we are stronger' and our faith and our commitment to working together to keep everyone safe is testimony to this.

Thank you for your patience, understanding, support and kindness.

Holding you all in love and prayer, Mrs Baron Headteacher









