

May 2020

Dear Parents and Stakeholders,

In response to the Covid-19 threat, we are making a few changes. I have been monitoring the National Association for the Education of Young Children's website (our accreditation agency), the Family Social Service Administration's website, the Center for Disease Control's website for regulations and advice on how to keep our students safe when school starts again in August. We also get local guidance from Father Goth, the Diocese, county and state officials.

With that in mind, we are going to be extra vigilant about disinfecting daily. We will also be moving a couple more tables into the room to allow for more space between students during table activities, especially during snack and lunch times. We will teach and reteach proper hand washing, nose blowing, and coughing/sneezing etiquettes. Hand sanitizer will be available under supervision at all times. We will limit the use of shared 'school tools' i.e. scissors, glue, pencils, etc. Each student will have their own tools in their personal crayon box. Any shared items such as markers or paintbrushes will be properly disinfected after each use.

We will have masks/gloves available for adult use and are seriously considering making that available for students as well, depending on how the recommendations develop over the next few months. This is an ever changing situation and we are prepared to respond accordingly.

If you have questions or your child has any special circumstances, please contact me at g.king@stjohnstipton.com with your concerns. Our goal is to start school on time, safely. We will do everything in our power to make that happen.

Sincerely,

Mrs. King, Mrs. Pearce