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Dear Parent/Guardian,

HEALTHY EATING

We are continually trying to improve the health and well-being of all of our pupils and hope that we have your support with this. We are targeting our Breaks Scheme, encouraging our girls to eat a healthy break. Check out this information leaflet from the PHA on 'Healthy Breaks for Schools'.

[https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/sites/default/files/2019-](https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/sites/default/files/2019-06/Healthy%20Breaks%20for%20Schools%20A5%20Leaflet%20ENGLISH.pdf)

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Have a look on our website too, for our Health Eating Policy. You will find it under OUR SCHOOL – POLICIES, www.ourladysdeanby.co.uk



COVID

If you, or someone in your household has symptoms of coronavirus, please do not send your child to school. Book a PCR test and isolate while you wait for results.

We are doing our best in school to keep your children and our staff safe. Please work with us, by keeping us informed of any positive cases of Covid.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We are aware that there are some ongoing issues with FSM forms still not being processed. The EA have now informed us that parents who have not received their grant, will have to provide a packed lunch for their child or pay £2.60 for a school meal, until your application has been approved. If you need to contact the FSM service, the best way to get them is by emailing mealsanduniform@eani.org.uk

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held during the week of **18-22 October**. Unfortunately due to Covid, we will not be offering face to face meetings with teachers this year and meetings will take place by phone. You will receive a time and date for a call from your child's teacher. If the time and date do not suit, please rearrange this with the teacher. On the day of your call, please answer your phone even if it says 'NO CALLER ID'. This will probably be the teacher trying to reach you.

PLEASE MAKE SURE...

that your child knows how she is getting home each afternoon, before she leaves the house in the morning. The office staff cannot deliver messages from parents to children during the day. If your daughter is travelling by bus, make sure she has the correct payment with her.

If you need to collect your child early from school, this should be for a valid reason, such as an appointment. Proof of appointment should be shown on arrival at the school office. Children leaving class early is disruptive to others in the room, so we want to keep this to a minimum.

IF AN ISSUE ARISES...

and you want to speak to someone in school about something that has happened, we have systems in place to help you with this. You must telephone the school and request a call back from your child's class teacher. They will help you to deal with any incidents.

MONEY

Any money being sent into school, **MUST** be in an envelope with your child's name, class, reason for payment and the amount clearly written on the front. This is most helpful for office staff.

HALLOWE'EN HOLIDAYS: SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS FOR WEEK FROM MONDAY 25 OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 29 OCTOBER PLUS MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER. SCHOOL RESUMES AS NORMAL ON TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER

Yours sincerely,

Emer Hughes

