

# Our Lady's Girls' Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

## Next Week

There is no school for pupils next week, as Education Minister Peter Weir, has extended the Hallowe'en half-term holiday and there will be no provision for remote learning. Teachers will share links to various websites, should your children wish to use them. This was not the outcome that we had expected for schools regarding any new guidance issued yesterday.

## Our Staff

I want to take this opportunity to thank each member of staff here at the school, both teaching and non-teaching, for making our August Restart a great success and for going the extra mile in ensuring that the well-being of every girl in our school was, and continues to be, our top priority. I also must thank our energetic cleaning team, for ensuring that the school is cleaned every day to an exceptionally high standard. I want to reassure you as parents, that your children are in great hands.

## Parent-Teacher Meetings – W/B 2 November

We are moving the dates of our Parent-Teacher meetings via phone call, to the week beginning Monday 2 November. **During this week school finishing and buses times will follow the Friday schedule.** Your daughter's teacher will confirm the day and time of your phone call through Seesaw.

## New Starting Time - 8.50am and 9.10am

From the week beginning 2 November, we are changing the starting time at school. Children should now **come to school between 8.50am and 9.10am**. Anyone arriving after 9.10am will be marked late. Changes will be made to finishing times in a few weeks, as we feel that our children can now spend more time at school and our dismissal arrangements are working smoothly. We will issue these new finishing times after the Hallowe'en break.

## Hallowe'en

We have been made aware that there are a few parties and firework displays planned for Hallowe'en in the local area. We would ask all of you, that you do not allow your children or other family members to attend these functions. **We must all protect the elderly and vulnerable in our society** by taking these regulations seriously and by doing so, we can help to stop the spread of the virus.

Thanks to you our parents and guardians, who have done a super job in ensuring that your children come to school adhering to all of the regulations we have in place in school. We really appreciate your support. School finishes tomorrow for the mid-term break at the usual Friday finishing times. Keep safe over the break.

Yours sincerely,  
Emer Hughes