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### Prayer for the Week

God our Father,

We pray that we may grow in such a way as to be welcoming to other people, and generous in every way to those people we don't agree with.

Lead us to appreciate others in the same way that we would like to be appreciated.

Never let us look down on others, or consider anyone to be less than ourselves.

Show us how to be open-minded and able to learn from each other so that, together, we may grow as the people you invite us to be.

**Amen**

**GOOD NEWS:** It was fantastic to hear the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday that all children will be returning to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. We look forward to seeing everyone coming back through the school gate. However we need to continue to be extra careful as we drop off and pick up the children.

A more detailed letter about procedures is attached but please note the following:

- You **MUST** use the one way system through the Visitation Car Park only
- You **MUST** keep at least a 2m distance from other parents
- You **MUST** wear a mask
- You **MUST** notify the school if you or your child has symptoms and keep your child at home until you have received the results of a test
- The entire household **MUST** isolate if anyone in the household has a positive test
- You **MUST** (where possible) stick to your allotted drop off and pick up time to avoid congestion.

These guidelines are put in place to protect you, your families and those around you. Children are not being affected by the virus so it is safe to come to school but the adult population is still being affected and are becoming quite sick. **PLEASE PROTECT YOURSELVES AND OTHERS.**

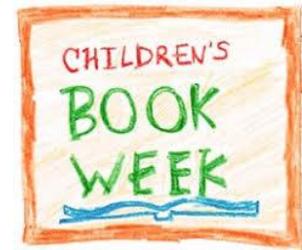
### Staggered Start

Nursery AM - 8.40am – 11.40am  
Year 6 and Year 5 – 8.40am  
Year 4 and Year 3 – 8.45am  
Year 2, Year 1 and Reception – 8.50am

### Staggered Finish

Nursery PM - 12.40pm – 3.40pm  
Reception, Year 1 and 2 – 3.10pm  
Year 3 and 4 - 3.20pm  
Year 5 and 6 – 3.30pm

**If you are collecting siblings please come for the later time slot.**



**BOOK WEEK 2021:** Next week, we will be celebrating how much we love reading in our school. This year's theme is **'Share A Story'**. We have a variety of activities planned including: sharing stories, no pens day, competitions and so much more! We encourage you to read with your child every day. Please feel free to send us photos or videos of you reading together at home. **Don't forget that it's World Book Day on Thursday 4th March so get thinking about a creative costume** - pupils can wear these for their registration on Google Meet. Also, try and take a photo of your child reading in an unusual place for our Extreme Reading Competition (remember to be safe!) Full details of our activities will be sent out on ClassDojo/Google Classroom. Thank you.  
Mrs Young and Miss Paul

**VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE:** I do hope you will be able to join with our Church Family in all the Catholic Schools in Ealing, and take part in our virtual pilgrimage.

It is an opportunity to focus on our faith together as a family. The pilgrimage can be done over the next six weeks up until Easter and can form part of your daily walk.

We ask that during your pilgrimage you think of those who are in more need than ourselves and donate what you can for each site you visit. Say the prayers and readings together as a family.

Any money collected can be brought into school by the children after Easter and will be donated to the Catholic Children's society.

The link below will bring you to the Pilgrimage page, if you have not already downloaded it.

<https://forms.gle/Qq6Z8VSc9tQsfXMa7>

**Happy Pilgrimage.**

**FUN EVENTS:** We are aware that the children have missed out on so much this past year, especially during times of lockdown.

We had such a wonderful Mardi Gras day that we want to do more of these events over the next half term and into the summer. Therefore we will be holding the following theme Days:

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March:** Book Character Day – dress up as your favourite book character.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March:** Science Day - Dress up as a scientist (wear a white shirt, oversized if you have one, and make your hair stick up. You can even use hair colouring) or a spaceman, alien or any other science theme based character.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** St Patrick's Day. Wear Green to school. You can come to school dressed head to toe in green or just one item of green. This will be a non-uniform day.

We will ask for a donation of 50p per family for CAFOD.

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** Easter Parade. Non Uniform day. Come to school wearing your Easter Bonnet or wear the one you have made in school.

Please DO NOT go out and buy costumes for book character or science day. Be creative and use what you have at home.

**PARENT SURVEY:** Thank you to all parents who completed the survey. There was an overwhelming sense of praise and gratitude to the staff who have worked so hard since Christmas to develop our remote learning platforms. One of the things that came across very clearly was the communication and support parents have had from teachers at all times of the day and long into the evening and at weekends. I would like to thank the teachers, on your behalf, for going above and beyond, to support families.

A more detailed report will follow, however one thing that you have asked for above all others is more live learning, especially in maths.

The main reason for recording teaching was so that all children could access the recorded learning when it fitted in with their routine. This is especially helpful for those families where there are several children.

Over the last few weeks the staff have increased their time teaching live in the afternoon by going through the maths and English that was set in the morning and we have introduced guided reading sessions for small groups.

However, we have listened to your request and next week the teachers will be teaching maths live in year 1 – 6. Early years will concentrate on live phonics teaching.

**CAR PARK:** The week before half term there was an accident in the car park where two cars belonging to parents from within the school had a crash. There are children walking through the car park at this time so I have asked Mr Kiely, the headteacher from Cardinal Wiseman to close the barrier. Please do not drive into the car park at any time even if the barrier is up as this is a significant health and safety concern. No one wants a child to be hit by a car.

**May God keep you safe from harm today and always!**

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