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### PRAYER OF THE WEEK



Lord Jesus,

During this season of Lent we ask for the power of your Spirit that we may become;

More thoughtful towards others,  
More honest with ourselves,  
And more faithful to you.

Help us to walk in your presence and grow as the people you want us to be.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.



**GOOD NEWS:** We are so looking forward to seeing everyone back at school next week. We have been busy making preparations but believe the systems we had in place prior to Christmas were robust so we will continue to use these.

We need to continue to be extra careful as we drop off and pick up the children. 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.**

**MASKS:** A number of parents have asked if their children can wear masks in the classroom. This is not advised for primary aged children as

most children are not able to follow safe procedures for wearing a mask. They pull at them and rub their faces. They are not able to put them on without touching the entire mask and this makes the mask less effective. We will not stop your child from wearing a mask in school but we do not recommend it. Different guidance has been given to secondary schools as they believe young adults are able to follow the procedures for putting on and taking off a mask.

**TESTING:** Secondary schools have been asked to ensure that all pupils are tested regularly for Covid-19. However this does not apply to primary school. Your child does not need to have a test before coming back to school.

**VENTILATION:** We will continue to follow government guidance to keep all areas of the school well ventilated. As it is still quite cold this may mean that the school will feel cold. Can you please bear this in mind when dressing your child. You may want them to wear a long sleeve T-Shirt under their school shirt. Your child may also wear their coat in class if they are very cold but we are hoping this will not be necessary.

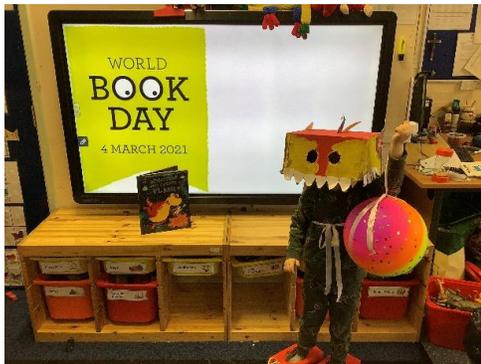
#### **Staggered Start**

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 to avoid congestion. The children in the younger years will go out into the playground at the same time but teachers will explain that some of them need to wait for their older brothers and sisters. We will review this at the end of the week to make sure this is working.



**BOOK WEEK 2021:** Once again, we have had a wonderful week celebrating reading in our school. Children, staff and parents have engaged in a variety of activities at home and in school including: sharing stories, no pens day, quizzes during Google Meets and book character dressing up. Did you guess the teachers correctly from our reading pictures? Well done to all the pupils, parents and staff for their time and effort. Thank you for all the photos sent in for the Extreme Reading competition – we will let you know the winners by next week. Hopefully, this week has sparked an enthusiasm in children to continue reading more. Well done everyone! Mrs Young and Miss Paul



**FUN EVENTS:** We are aware that the children have missed out on so much this past year, especially during times of lockdown so we want to continue with some fun events.

**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. A cycle helmet makes a good spaceman's helmet. See some simple costume ideas below:



**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 bright, happy colours, and your Easter Bonnet or wear the one you make in school.

**CURRICULUM:** The school have worked on a plan to support the children to transition back into full time school. This will include extra reading, English, maths and physical education. It is important that the children get as much activity as possible. We will also be doing extra circle time and PSHE activities to enable the children to talk about any concerns they may have around Covid-19 or the return to school. This will mean that we may have to teach less on other subjects such as History and Geography in the short term.

We will be assessing the children over the remaining three weeks using questionnaires and quizzes. We will use this information to plan catch up activities for children where we identify gaps in learning.

**PARENT SURVEY:** Please find attached report of the findings and the schools response.

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

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