St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



22nd January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to pop into class check in this week and once again we are amazed and astonished at the wonderful work everyone is doing at home. Thank you for keeping your children safe at home.

As you are probably aware we have had several COVID outbreaks at school over the past 2 weeks and we have had to send staff and children home to self-isolate. We really understand this is a difficult time for everyone, the fewer children we have in school the more we can keep our staff and the children that are in school safe. I really believe that we will all be back together again soon as long as we follow the rules and bring this pandemic under control.

We are planning to have parent's meetings/check in week beginning 1st February. We are going to use a face-to-face online platform. We will let you have further details by the beginning of next week.

Using Tech at Home to Support Learning

If you are trying to share laptops and tablets between your children, please remember that PlayStation and Xbox machines have a web browser built in and you can then access google classroom on your television! If you have a spare USB keyboard you may be able to type into google docs and the other classroom applications. Any device that can run Chrome or has another browser can access GoogleClassroom!

PTFA

Don't forget the PTFA's got talent initiative:

Children submit an act up to 2 minutes. The majority we imagine to be a max of 30secs like tricky goals, cartwheels etc. They email this into out PTFA email address which is on the poster.



We then place all the entries into classes and produce a video for each class. We will share this video for the year group to see.

Judges will pick the winning class. The winning class will win £100 to be paid by the PTFA to spend on what they need or want most.

A further 3 acts across all the entries these winners will receive a high street gift voucher of £10.

We will then put together a final video with all the best acts and share this video across the whole school capturing a good balance of ages. The children pay nothing to enter it is purely for fun.

Mental health awareness

If you are having difficulties managing your children's and your mental health, we have placed information and links on the web site. Go to parents tab/mental health awareness. There are many helpful suggestions and links to organizations where you can get help.

Curriculum news

White Rose Maths are excited to have produced a range of work booklets for parents and children to use during the next year. These booklets can be found on Amazon for the Kindle or downloaded on the link. There is one booklet for each of our blocks for Y1 to Y6. It's free!

https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-workbooks/

The information below explains the pictures that you can see in your child's maths books.



Please check the web site- parent tab/Covid for extra information especially up to date prayers from Ten Ten that you can say with your family.

Parish news

Please find attached this week's newsletter.

Thank you to Mr Bath and Deacon Didier for the prayer service which will take place every Friday at 11.15a.m. The invitation is on your google classroom page. Please feel free to join in, this morning we had over 30 children take part and we listened to Mr Bath's interview with St Mark most illuminating!

God Bless

Mrs Jackson and Mr Bath

