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NEWSLETTER



RESPECT AND GENEROSITY

Remembrance Service

On Wednesday 11th November pupils and staff held Remembrance Services in their class groups to remember those who had died during wartime. Each class made their own poppy wreath and spent time reflecting on the brave men and women who have fought for their country and lost their lives and why it is important to remember them. The children were able to see each other's wreaths on their class whiteboard and pictures of the wreaths can be seen on our website. The school respectfully observed a 2-minute silence at 11.00am.

Children In Need Day

Today in school the children celebrated Children in Need Day by dressing up in something spotty to raise money for this very worthy Appeal! During the day the children took part in some fun activities based around this year's theme 'Five to Thrive' which is a unique programme of wellbeing designed to make children feel better about themselves as well as helping others. Thank you for all your donations and generosity.

Face Coverings

We have been contacted by parents regarding the wearing of face coverings by adults on the school run. So, in response we are appealing on behalf of many parents to all adults who drop off and collect children from our school, to wear face coverings during the school run, if they are able to. Whilst we are operating staggered times, there are still certain places along the route to school that can become unavoidably quite busy and many parents are asking for your support in doing this to help them and you to feel a little safer in these uncertain times. We fully understand that it is not mandatory for adults to wear face coverings outdoors and we respect your right to choose. However, in the spirit of supporting each other within our school community, any participation with wearing face coverings would be very much appreciated. The guidance for children still remains the same in that children of Primary School age should not wear any face coverings in school and we ask that you continue to observe the 2m distancing measures.

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School Councillors Class Assembly

On Wednesday 21st October each class held their own assembly to announce the new School Councillors for this academic year. The class teacher presented the new Councillors with their golden sweatshirts, talked to the children about the process of elections and sent an email and picture to the parents of the newly nominated Councillors. We wish our Councillors the very best for the coming academic year!

Christmas is coming!

Christmas is well and truly on the way and we aim to make the celebrations especially magical this year. Christmas will be celebrated with a twist to the usual routines but rest assured fun will be had by all. The festivities will begin with our Christmas trees being decorated on 30th November and will culminate in our class bubble Christmas parties during the last week of term (details to follow). We kindly ask that Christmas cards are not brought into school this year to minimise the risk of transmission, however all children will be entering a design a Christmas card competition in school with many prizes to be won and the children will be making a special card with messages for each class. Throughout advent, there will be a range of crafts and activities for your child to take part in and we will hold our annual Christingle Services within our own classes, with a blessing from the Bishop being read to all. We will keep you up to date with all of the celebrations online via our website and further details will follow in the next newsletter.

School Meals – Meal Selector

As reported in our last newsletter we will be moving over to a new online school meal ordering system from January 2021. A letter from Chartwells was sent home with the children at the end of last term and the letter and a parents' user guide was posted on our website in parent information. You can register for the Meal Selector system now, however the menu choices have not yet been published for the new term in January. Once Chartwells inform us when you are able to make menu choices we will let you know, however please register for the system ahead of this being issued if you intend to order meals from next term.

Flu Vaccinations – Catch up session

Further to the vaccination programme the nurses carried out in early October, the team have contacted us to advise that the catch up session will take place in school on Monday 23rd November. If you have already filled in the online form your child will have been added to the list of those to be vaccinated. If you have not filled in the form but would like your child to receive the flu vaccination please complete the online form by 19th November at the latest, a link can be found on our website under the parent's tab.

Dark Nights and Cold Weather

As we enter the final few months of the year, morning and evenings are becoming darker. Can we please remind you to take care in and around school when arriving in the morning and leaving at

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the end of the day. As the weather is becoming colder, please make sure your children have a warm coat and hat, scarf and gloves (named) as they will still spend break times outside in the fresh air. Thank you.

Our School Vision

'We hold the keys, you open the doors'

As St Peter holds the keys to Heaven, we hold the keys with which our children and staff will become empowered to unlock their sense of self-worth, respect and spirituality. Our welcoming and inclusive Church school is devoted to nurturing a community where all feel confident in their responsibility to effect positive change in the diverse and modern world we share. In pursuit of excellence, we strive to provide an holistic education that prepares our children with the tools, skills and fervour to become shining rays of light, opening the door to a brighter future for all.

Diary dates

Wednesday 9th December 2020 – School Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 18th December 2020 – School closes for Christmas break – please note the change to school finishing times on the last day of term:

If your normal collection time is 3.10pm please collect at 1.10pm

If your normal collection time is 3.20pm please collect at 1.20pm

If your normal collection time is 3.30pm please collect at 1.30pm

If your normal collection time is 3.40pm please collect at 1.40pm

Wednesday 6th January 2021 – School reopens

Friday 12th February 2021 – School closes for February half term break

Monday 22nd February 2021 – School reopens

Thursday 1st April 2021 – School closes for Easter break

Tuesday 20th April 2021 – School reopens

Friday 28th May 2021 – School closes for May half term break

Monday 7th June 2021 – School reopens

Wednesday 30th June 2021 – Friday 2nd July 2021 – Year 6 PGL Trip

Wednesday 21st July 2021 – School closes for Summer break

Thursday 22nd July 2021 – School closed – training day

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