



St Ann's Church of England

Primary School



Always our best for God, each other and ourselves. Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!

Value of the Half Term

Forgiveness

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Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "[I] do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

Matthew 18:21-22

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WELL DONE

A huge well done to all children this week for not only adapting to home learning but for actively and independently engaging with it! Every single member of staff has been so impressed by the children's drive and investment. We are all so proud of you! The work the children have produced really is very impressive.



Thank you to all parents/ carers who have emailed in messages of thanks and praise for the staff. They really do appreciate it. I'm proud of all the staff too and would also like to publicly thank them for all they are doing to educate the children at home!

GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATE: SCHOOL CLOSURE

I hope this newsletter finds our St Ann's family safe and well. Following a challenging week in school for the children, parents/ carers and staff, I would like to thank everyone for continued support and patience. Not only was it necessary to reduce our pupil numbers in school earlier in the week, we then found ourselves having to close due to the number of pupils and staff testing positive for Covid19.

Since closing more positive cases have been reported to school, and this morning we met with the local health protection team to review the closure. The school's swift action was praised and it was jointly agreed that the school will reopen to pupils who have a place in school on

Monday 25th January 2021, when we will have sufficient staffing levels and following the deep clean.

This is also a preventative measure in an effort to stop community spread of the virus. School will meet with the local health protection team next week to once again review the planned date for re-

opening. In the meantime, all pupils should continue learning from home, and those who have been asked to isolate should continue to do so.

It is worth sharing that many of the positive Covid cases that have been reported to school, have been children who have been asymptomatic, so we continue to urge parents/ carers to have their children and other household members tested. Don't forget, in the event your child or any other household member tests positive, please inform school at the earliest opportunity.

For pupils returning to school on **Monday 25th January 2021**, the staggered start and finish times, and drop off and collection points remain the same (these can be seen below), and **your child should only attend school on the days there is no one at home to safely care for them**. This is because, the safest place for everyone at this time, is to be at home.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR FAMILIES

Thank you, to each and every one of our families, for everything you are doing to support your child with continuing their learning at home. We fully appreciate how difficult it is to juggle this with your other commitments and commend the job you are doing. Whilst our staff will work hard to provide your child with the very best education, should you struggle in any way with our expectations and provision, please do not hesitate to get in touch so that we can support you and agree a way forward.

The wellbeing of our school community, as always, is our number one priority and we are here to support you and your child. There will be good days, there will be bad days, that's just the way it goes.

Make sure you celebrate all the successes, there will be at least one, each and every single day, no matter how small. We are in unprecedented times, and we are all learning a new way of being - so go easy on yourself. Thank you for the job you are doing - we think you are all AMAZING!



BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL BASE

For the foreseeable future, Base will remain closed. This is in line with our risk assessment. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. If a refund is due in respect of BASE this will be processed in due course.

COVID 19 TESTING FOR PUPILS

If your child has been allocated a place in school following our re-opening, and you received a letter identifying your child as a close contact of a positive Covid case over the last week, prior to their return, we strongly encourage you to have your child tested, as per the letter sent out. Thank you for your support with this matter.

REMINDER: STAGGERED START AND FINISH TIMES FOR PUPILS REMAINING IN SCHOOL

HOME GROUP	HOME GROUP LEADERS	HOME GROUP ROOM	START TIME	FINISH TIME	ENTRANCE & EXIT THAT MUST BE USED
EYS	Miss Reed Mrs Allison	EYs	8.30am	2.55pm	Back gate
Y1	Miss Hull Mrs Robinson	Y1	8.30am	2.55pm	Front gate 1
Y2B	Miss Buckley	2B	8.30am	2.55pm	Front gate 2
Y2T	Miss Thompson	2T	8.40am	3.05pm	Back gate
Y3H	Mr Harrison	3H	8.40am	3.05pm	Front gate 1
Y3G	Mr Crane	3G	8.40am	3.05pm	Front gate 2
Y4	Miss Foster Mr Pattinson	4F	8.50am	3.15pm	Back gate
Y5	Mr Evans Miss Harris	5E	8.50am	3.15pm	Front gate 1
Y6	Miss O'Shea Mr Phillips	6P	8.50am	3.15pm	Front gate 2

SIBLING DROP OFF TIMES

Surnames beginning with:	Time to drop off at sibling gate
A-H	8.30am
I-P	8.40am
Q-Z	8.50am

REMOTE EDUCATION ADVICE & SUPPORT

If any parents/ carers require further support or advice about their child's remote learning, please do not hesitate to get in touch. You can do this via the school office phone or email address.

PARENT/ CARER QUERIES

While we have children learning from home, parents and carers should continue to communicate with staff via the school office or the school email address. The chat facility in MSTeams is for children's use and teaching and learning purposes only. Thank you

MSTEAMS REMINDER

As per our Remote Education Policy, please can we politely request that all parents/ carers ensure their child's background on TEAMS calls is neutral, and free from images or language that may offend others. Thank you

3H MENTORING CONVERSATIONS

3H Mentoring Conversations will now take place on Monday 18th January 2021. Time slots will remain the same. However please contact the office if this is problematic for you. The new zoom link will be sent out by email before Friday 15th January 2021.

POLITE NOTICE

When speaking with members of staff, please remember to do so respectfully.

Verbal abuse will not be tolerated and could result in action being taken.

BOOK BAGS

As children will no longer be receiving paper books and their diaries will no longer be being checked, children should not continue to bring their book bag to school.

Thank you!

REVISED PE DAYS DUE TO CLOSURE

Don't forget on the days children have PE, they should wear their PE Kit to school. As this forms part of the children's school uniform, children must wear the full and correct PE Kit.

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Y4	Y2	EYFS	Y2	Y1
	Y3	Y1	Y3	Y5
	Y5	Y6	Y4	
			Y6	

WEEKLY REMINDERS

TOAST

Toast at break time is available every half term. The deadline for this half term (4th January – 12th February has now passed).

FISHY FRIDAY

Unfortunately we are unable to offer the option of "Fishy Friday" at present. We will notify Parents/Carers when we are able to resume this option.

Courtesy
Care
Concentration



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‘But those who trust in the Lord, they will find new strength.
They will soar high on wings like eagles’ **Isaiah 40:31**

Parents’ Suggestion/Comment Slip

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Monday	4 th January 2021	Children return to school.
Wednesday	6 th January 2021	Epiphany service
Monday	11 th January 2021	Parent Workshops- All week (online)
Monday	18 th January 2021	RE Focus Day – Hinduism
Tuesday	2 nd February 2021	Community Cohesion Meeting 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday	4 th February 2021	Harry Potter Day
Friday	5 th February	3G Family Worship – To be Confirmed
Monday	8 th February 2021	Stand Up, Speak Up Week
Tuesday	9 th February 2021	Internet Safety Day
Friday	12 th February 2021	Star Day
Friday	12 th February 2021	KS1 Service- To be Confirmed
Friday	12 th February 2021	School closes for half- term
Monday	22 nd February 2021	Children return to school
Wednesday	24 th February 2021	Ash Wednesday service
Thursday	4 th March 2021	World Book Day
Friday	5 th March 2021	World Maths Day 4F Family Worship
Monday	8 th March 2021	Assessment Week
Friday	12 th March 2021	3H Family Worship – To be Confirmed
Friday	19 th March 2021	Super Leaders Day 2
Friday	26 th March 2021	4P Family Worship- To be Confirmed
Monday	29 th March 2021	Aspirations Day 1
Tuesday	30 th March 2021	Aspirations Day 2 Easter Bingo – To be Confirmed Y5 Easter Service – To be Confirmed
Tuesday	30 th March 2021	School Closes for half term