

St Ann's Church of England

Primary School



Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!

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SCHOOL UPDATE

We are delighted to announce that following the Prime Minister's announcement, school will re-open to all pupils on **Monday 8th March**. Our Risk Assessment has been reviewed and can be found within the Covid 19 section of our website. All protective measures will remain in place, including classes being kept apart, staggered start and finish times, use of all entrances and exits, isolation of classes as positive cases of Covid are confirmed. Breakfast and After School Base will remain closed for now, however this will be kept under review.

For the full details about our re-opening, please refer to the separate letter sent home yesterday.

PARENT/ CARER AND PUPIL FEEDBACK

Huge thanks to all parents/cares and children who recently completed surveys about our remote education. We are delighted that the feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Your feedback will help us to continually improve the quality of our provision. Please see attachments contained within this email for survey results.

IMPORTANT - DATE CHANGE

You may remember that the Government urged schools to close for Christmas on Thursday 17th December. To replace this extra day's holiday, school will now close on Wednesday 31st March instead of Tuesday 30th March. This means all children, whether learning in school or remotely will be expected be in attendance on Wednesday 31st March. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. If this causes any issues for your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

ONLINE SAFETY IDEAS

Create a Digital Family Pledge with Vodafone. It will help you and your family set some rules for being online. <u>https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting/family-pledge</u>

Lego have created 'Build and Talk Cyberbullying' activities which allow you to have a conversation with your child about online bullying whilst building something together. <u>https://www.lego.com/engb/aboutus/buildandtalk</u>

READING DIARIES

We are very much looking forward to returning to school on Monday 8th March and seeing how much reading has been done during our time learning from home! As mentioned in previous newsletters, we will be backdating any signed reading diaries for the whole of spring term so far. Please ensure that your child's diary in up-todate and ready to be stamped on our first day back so that we can make sure all certificates that the children have worked so hard for can be awarded promptly.

RETURN OF LOANED DEVICES

As school will be reopening to all children on Monday 8th March, we kindly ask that if you have a device at home that has been loaned from school you return this to your child's class teacher during the Week Beginning 8th March. Please ensure that all parts to the device, which may include chargers and protective cases, are also returned and that the device is clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Many thanks.

GENERAL CONSENTS

This week you will have been asked to complete a number of updated general consents on your Arbor account. These consents will be requested on an annual basis. Please ensure you have updated your account no later than 3rd March 2021.

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.

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday 4th March, our school will be celebrating World Book Day all afternoon. Teachers will be sharing their favourite books with their classes and planning special activities that revolve around promoting a love of reading! Emails will also be sent home containing a digital version of the yearly £1 book token that can be used to purchase one of the books specially written for this occasion. The voucher can also be put towards the cost of another book if your child has a special one in mind!





WORLD MATHS DAY



Wednesday 3rd March 2021 is World Maths Day. World Maths Day is one of the world's largest global educational events. This day aims to get primary and secondary school students excited and enthusiastic about learning Maths. A number of events will be hosted by class teachers to acknowledge and celebrate this exciting day. Activities include Break Out Rooms, Maths Challenges, Puzzles and games! In addition to a special Numbots (EY - Y2) and TTRS (Y2 - Y6) challenge for all children. Please remember to support your child's Maths education by logging into these two great resources. #WorldMathsDay2021. Miss Foster will launch the day with a Worship, link to follow.



TOAST

Toast will be available to all children on their return to school on 8th March. The cost of Toast from 8th March until the end of term is £3.60. If you wish your child to receive Toast during this period please ensure that you have a balance on your Arbor Toast account of at least this amount by **12 noon on 4th March**. If you had previously paid for Toast in Spring 1 on ParentPay this credit of £6 has been transferred to your Toast account on Arbor. If you have a credit on your account and you **do not** wish your child to receive Toast from 8th March **please email the school office on stannsce@threesaints.org.uk. prior to 12 noon on 4th March**. For future reference it is now possible to pay for Toast for forthcoming half terms by putting your Toast account in credit. The amounts due for the remainder of the school year will be £5.80 for Summer 1 term and £6.80 Summer 2. We will also continue to give a cut-off date each half term for the forthcoming half term if you do not wish to keep a credit on your account.

ASH WEDNESDAY

This week the children benefitted from an Ash Wednesday service delivered by Reverend Alan.



GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE FOR PARENTS FOR SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S REMOTE EDUCATION

The Dfe have updated the guidance for parents to support their children's remote education to provide more information for parents/ carers as they support their children at home. They have added top tips for supporting children during remote education, including linked to information about the Reading Well booklist that supports mental health. They have also provided information on how to access online resources and services through local libraries and online. This can all be accessed via the following links:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/supporting-your-childrens-educationduring-coronavirus-covid-

19?utm_source=16%20February%202021%20C19&utm_medium=D aily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-forparents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safeonline?utm_source=16%20February%202021%20C19&utm_mediu

m=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

POSITIVE CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID19

Please can politely request that parents/ carers continue to inform school if someone in your household tests positive for Covid. We are continuing to support our local health protection team in the tracking and tracing of cases within the local community. Thank you

EARLY YEARS APPRECIATION DAY

Last Thursday 18th February was Early Years Appreciation Day. We are sure all our parents/ carers would like to join school in paying tribute to their vital work in caring for our youngest children. Thank you to all our Early Years staff for the difference they make every day for children and their families!



DFE ADVICE

The DfE have released advice to parents and carers on keeping children safe from abuse and harm. You can find the guidance by clicking on the following link

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-fromabuse-and-harm/advice-to-parents-and-carers-on-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm

This guidance brings together sources of information about the main risks children may be particularly vulnerable to during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and signposts you to help and support available.

The essential measures to control coronavirus can potentially increase risks to children and this can cause concern for parents and carers.

This guide also includes information on the support providers who can help you have effective conversations with a young person, especially if you are concerned for their safety.

WEEKLY REMINDERS

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	

GENERAL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

	Open on	Close on	
Autumn	7 th September 2020	23 rd October 2020	
Term	2 nd November 2020	17 th December 2020	
Spring	4 th January 2021	12 th February 2021	
Term	22 nd February 2021	31 st March 2021	
Summer	19 th April 2021	28 th May 2021	
Term	7 Th June 2021	22 nd July 2021	

Courtesy

Care

Concentration

PURCHASING SCHOOL ITEMS

If you wish to purchase a school item this can now be done through Arbor. If you make a purchase please email the School Office at stannsce@three-saints.org.uk so that arrangements can be made to issue the item. Current prices are as follows: School Bag £9.00 Junior Tie £3.50 **Elasticated Tie** £3.00 **Replacement Planner** £4.00

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Headteacher: Mrs Laura Rynn

'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
Thursday	4 th March 2021	World Book Day
Friday	5th March 2021	World Maths Day
		4F Family Worship
Monday	8th 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