

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Fridayth March 2021



It has been so lovely for the children and staff to have the hustle and bustle of a whole school again. The children have been enjoying Science Week, which has been very 'hands on' with all sorts of investigations happening in each classroom. And we have also welcomed Mr Harrison back for PE and Mrs Cox back for Spanish lessons.

Proud to be Me: Enthusiasm: *'If you are what you should be you will set the whole world ablaze!'* St Catherine of Siena. Jesus was a very enthusiastic person. He was passionate for people to worship God in a true and proper way.

Reception Year 1	Vincent Leo	For working hard in their writing activities and for showing enthusiasm during all our science experiments.
Year 2	Joshua C	For trying really hard in maths meeting and always showing great enthusiasm during partner talk.
Year 3 Year 4	James L Ashleigh	For showing enthusiasm and engagement during our virtual visit from the dentist. For showing high levels of enthusiasm during learning about the digestive system.
Year 5 Year 6	Fontaine Thomas	For always trying her best in every lesson. For his enthusiasm during our Science week and DT lesson.

Spanish: Thomas B for lovely contributions in our Spanish revision lesson. **Isla** for lovely contributions in Spanish this week. **Jenson F** for fantastic participation and enthusiasm. Alexa for great effort and participation.

Music: Erin – Great 'Rainforest' music work this week. **Sofi** – Made a great start to her 'Rainforest' music this week.

Wilfred – For his enthusiasm in our 'Sea Shanty' lesson this week. **Jackson** – For making a great start on his 'Sea Shanty' work.

P.E: Lizzie showed excellent focus in this week's PE lesson. She showed some excited balancing skills and creative moments and listened to all instructions throughout the session. **Joe** fully engaged in all the activities in this week's PE lesson. Showed good control and posture when perform all the balances throughout. **Queenie** showed some excellent gymnastics skills working individually and in school groups. Showed high ability performing point and level balances.

Happy Birthday to Mateo, Alice and Caoimhe.

Upcoming Events...

Friday 19 th March	Red Nose Day – No Uniform
Week of 29 th March	Holy Week
Thursday 1 st April	Break up for Easter
Monday 19 th April	Return to School

Plugs for Parents...

Lateral Flow Device (LFD) Testing for households of school pupils:

NHS Test and Trace announced earlier this week, that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing known as LFD tests. Tests are fast, easy and completely free. Testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended to all who are eligible. Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates. Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other.

Please find attached with this newsletter a guide to *regular rapid Covid-19 testing*.

Year 3/4 Swimming: Stocksbridge Swimming baths are not opening until after the Easter Break so the start of lessons will be postponed until Tuesday 20th April 2021. This date could be subject to change, so we will confirm with you nearer the time.

Holy Week w/c 29.03.21: Holy Week liturgies will take place in school as planned in each class and shared on each classes Google Classroom: Rec/Y1 - Palm Sunday; Y2 - Last Supper; Y3/4 - Garden of Gethsemane; Stations of the Cross will be a joint liturgy of all our Sheffield Catholic Schools and shared across the whole school on Maundy Thursday, 1st April.

Plugs for Parents Continued...

Red Nose Day – No Uniform 19.03.21: Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform, wearing something red or Red Nose Day related if they have it. Next week the children will be able to buy red noses at school from Monday 15th until Thursday 18th in readiness for Red Nose Day on Friday 19th. **If your child would like a red nose, please send them to school with £1.50 in an envelope on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.** Any red noses that are left over will be available to buy at morning drop off on Friday 19th at the school gate.



Missing School Uniform: Having to replace missing uniform items can become an expensive and inconvenient task. Please could everyone check the labels in their child's uniform and return any to school that have been misplaced. There are a number of parents who would be very happy to see their missing items again!

National Online Safety (NOS): WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, and making voice and video calls. The app offers end-to-end encryption, meaning messages can only be read by the sender and the recipient(s). Not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 reportedly caused millions of users to leave the app. But the new policy was widely misinterpreted: it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages. In the attached guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as stranger danger, live location sharing and disappearing messages.

Wednesday Word: This week's Wednesday Word can be found by following the link [here](#).