

# St. Ethelbert's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

'Learning, achieving and growing together with Jesus' Headteacher: Mrs F.Maynard



"The glory of God is a human being fully alive!"

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### **Friday Newsletter**

A number of our Year 1 pupils returned to school on Monday, and have settled in to their new routines well. They are not in their usual classrooms, and not all with their usual teacher but we have made sure that each child is in a secure group with their own adult. I have been so impressed at how quickly the children have understood the new rules about keeping to their own space in the playground and not mixing with other groups. The rain this week tested our wet lunch arrangements, but groups made good use of the hall space to be able to have some physical movement.

From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June we will welcome back some of our Year 6 pupils on a 2-day basis. From the following Monday, the Nursery provision will be reduced to a 2-day offer to allow for the increased numbers who have requested a place for their child. This is to allow the maximum number of pupils to have some time at school before the summer break.

Key worker children from Reception and above will continue to attend. If you are a key worker with no other option for childcare, please contact the school office to discuss a place for your child. Please note that we ask for staff ID and may need written clarification of the days you require your child to be at school from your employer.

#### **Learning Power**

Our new Learning Power for this half term is 'Enjoy Learning' which is very appropriate as children, teachers and parents have had to adapt to new learning situations. This hasn't always been easy, but we hope that the children are enjoying learning as much as possible. The poster competition set by Mrs Harrison and Miss Mercer had some fantastic entries, the winners for each class are as follows:

RH- Alessandra Legaspi RJ- Lewis Messenger

11- Harper Butler

1M- Zuzanna Tomaszewska

2S- Jasmine Singh

2M- Filip Kempa

3P- Matthew Ethan Gumarang

3W- Dawid Tershalla

4M- Jessica Gill

4Z- Max Matuszewicz

5C- Taia Butler

5E- Maja Slomczewska

6C- Bradley Chakaodza

6D- Che Saini





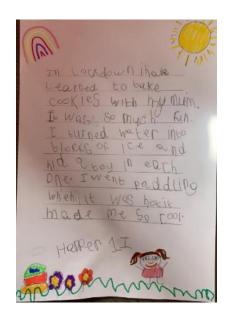
#### To everyone at school:

I've actually mastered how to do 2 things, and I will list them below:

1. The 1st thing I've mastered is how to draw heads. I know it sounds weird, but it's true! When you draw a head, it's not actually just a circle that has eyes, a nose, a mouth and probably some eyelashes. If you stick around and go onto the 2nd slide, you can see a step by step on how to draw a shape of a head, made by me, Jessica Gill.

2. The 2nd thing I've learnt to master in this "Quarantine Time" is how to corntrol my anger and not take it out on a person, and stay positive (But this is only sometimes).

\*giggles\* Just take a few deep breaths and, your G.T.G! (G.T.G means good to go and got to go).



#### **Celebration Assembly awards**

My assemblies in school are now being delivered remotely to the children in their classrooms. Thursday is Celebration Assembly where the work of the children who have been in school is recognised. This week's hard workers were:

Jalene (Reception) - for making an excellent prediction about a dinosaur story.

**Seweryn (Year 1)** - for enjoying dancing with his peers.

Blessing (Year 1) for knowing her set 3 phonics sounds.

Borys (Year 1) for his excellent attitude to the return to school and for engaging with every activity.

Carl (Year 2) - for a great effort and enthusiasm while creating a dragon for his literacy task.

**Bianca (Year 4)** for describing the characters from her adventure story clearly to the group.

**Arabela (Year 6)** – for beautiful artwork and ideas about how to show kindness.

# **Class Photos**

These have arrived at school, the office will be in touch to arrange collection by parents. Please be patient as this will take some time to contact all parents





# Pick up and drop off times for next week

Year Group	Drop off	Pick up
Nursery	9.30am	12.00pm
Reception	9.15am	2.45pm
Year 1	9.00am	3.00pm
Year 6	8.45am	3.20pm
Key worker	8.45am	3.20pm

Please arrive at the specified time as we are not able to take children in earlier due to lack of supervision.

If you have children in more than one year group, drop off at the <u>latest</u> time for your children. This advice has changed since last week.

Children should bring:

- A named water bottle
- A named packet of tissues
- A healthy snack if required
- Their lunchbox if not ordering a school lunch
- A coat if the weather is cool or wet

#### **Dates for next week**

- Year 6 pupils in Monday/Tuesday or Wednesday/Thursday
- Key worker children can attend each day by arrangement with the school. Please let us know if you require a place for your child

# Year 5 Parents - 11+

If your child is in Year 5 and you are intending for them to take the 11+ school transfer test in the Autumn, the deadline to apply for your child to sit the exam in Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Guidance has been sent to parents weekly, please take a look at this if you have any questions.

# **Safeguarding Reminder**

We are continuing to make our welfare calls to keep in touch with those families who have chosen not to send their children in to school. If you have a safeguarding or welfare concern, please contact the school office by phone or email and staff will call you back.

I hope all our families have a peaceful and enjoyable weekend.

God Bless, Mrs Maynard Headteacher

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