



## OUR LADY & ST TERESA'S SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER – 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020

Welcome back everyone and I hope a lovely Christmas and New Year was had by all. We began this week with a fabulous assembly to celebrate the feast of the epiphany and our children reflected on what gifts they have to share with one another and with our Lord. Our school has been alive with the buzz of creativity this week as art week signalled the beginning of our spring term. There have been some stunning masterpieces created around school. Well done to our talented children!

Have a lovely weekend. *Mrs Wilson* - Head Teacher

### Attendance

Our attendance target is **96%**

This week:	Reception	95%
	Y1	96.7%
	Y2	100%
	Y3	100%
	Y4	96.8%
	Y5	96.6%
	Y6	99.5%

Whole school 97.8%

Whole school since September  
**95.5%**

### Dates for the Diary

- 13/01 - 3.30-4.40 – Craft Club KS1 & 2**  
**3.30-4.30 – Tennis KS2**  
**14/01- 3.30-4.30 – Multi-sport KS1**  
**3.30-4.30 – Lego KS1 & 2**  
**16/01- 3.30-4.30 – Netball KS2**  
**3.30-4.30 – Gardening KS1 & 2**  
**3.30-4.30 - Cookery**  
**17/01 Celebration Assembly**  
**WWF Dress as an animal day**

### First Holy Communion

On Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> any children wishing to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion this year will need to attend mass to pledge their commitment at an enrolment mass at Our Lady's Church at 10am.



Next week the Eco Team have organised an Eco Week. During this, we will explore the threats facing the planet and how we can make a difference.

On Friday, two things are happening:

We are holding an animal themed non-school uniform day to raise money for WWF. Students can dress up as animals or wear animal related clothing for a donation of £1. Please don't buy anything, use the clothes you already have and make something work.

We are also holding a no single-use plastic day so no plastic packaging is to be used on Friday. This means no plastic water bottles or plastic packaging in lunchboxes so get creative!

Letters Home  
This Week  
SATS Booster

### Maths Challenge Answers for last week

Y1 & 2 – A:8kg B:4kg  
Y3 & 4 – A:32  
Y5 & 6 – A: £1750  
Challenge – A: 32

### Maths Challenge

**Year R** - Quiet Koala has 4 cubes. Calvin the Cow has 9 cubes. How many more does Calvin have?

**Year 1 & 2** – James spends £3 on a drink and sandwich. The sandwich costs 80p more than the drink. How much does the sandwich cost?

**Year 3 & 4** – Five pieces of wood together are the same length as two pieces of metal. If one piece of metal is 7.5m long how long is one piece of wood?

**Year 5 & 6** –  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the amount of boys in a class is the same as  $\frac{3}{5}$  the amount of girls. If there are 3 more girls how many in the class?

**Challenge** – 20% of Pete's cheddar is the same weight as half of Erica's camembert. If the cheddar is 504g more what is the combined weight?

## Exciting PTA Events!

Once again our PTA team have wasted no time this term and have already sprung into action organising events for our students to enjoy. The first event is a film night on Friday January 24<sup>th</sup> – details can be found on the PTA poster which was sent out with this newsletter. Then we have further exciting events planned for this term so please get the following dates in your diary –

Event	Date	Time
Film Night – Whole School	24 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	3:30 – 5:30pm
School Disco - Reception & KS1	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	3:30 – 4:45pm
School Disco – KS2	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	5:00 – 6:15pm
Dress Down Day – Donations of Easter Eggs	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	All Day
Day Easter Bingo – Family Event	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	Doors open at 6pm
Film Night – Whole School	15 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	3:30 – 5:30pm
School Disco - Reception & KS1	19 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	3:30 – 4:45pm
School Disco – KS2	19 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	5:00 – 6:15pm

## Mindfulness & Regulation

Our students may come home to you and discuss our mindful spaces that have been created in each classroom or our zones of regulation which each classroom is using. The zones are a tool to help children identify how they feel using simple colours and be able to communicate this with other students and school staff so that they can be appropriately supported and we can all show empathy and understanding. It will also help children to develop their emotional literacy skills. We also have mindful spaces to allow children to take a few moments, if they can feel their emotions escalating, to engage in mindful activities which can help them to manage their feelings and regulate themselves if necessary. These are not 'naughty' spaces or 'time-out' zones they are in place to encourage the children to own their emotions and learn how to manage them. We are clear with the children that there are no 'good' feelings and 'bad' feelings – they are just feelings and they are all ok to experience.

### Epiphany

Monday was the feast of the epiphany when we reflect on the journey the wise men made to worship baby Jesus, the new born king. We celebrated this on Tuesday with a whole school assembly and the children were able to come up with lots of wonderful ways in which they can still share gifts with Jesus today.



### ZONES OF REGULATION!

Blue	Green	Yellow	Red
Sick Sad Tired Bored Moving Slowly	Happy Calm Good to Go Focused Ready to Learn	Frustrated Worried Silly/Wiggly Anxious Excited	Mad/Angry Mean Yelling/Hitting Out of Control I Need Time and Space

### Primary Admissions – Starting School September 2020!

If you have a child whose birthday falls between 01.09.2015 and 31.08.2016 you need to apply now for a primary school place for your child to begin school in September. Apply online at <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applyforschool>

Closing date for applications is 15th January 2020. Please note the Admissions Policy and how the places are allocated.

Visits to school are always welcome.



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