



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

School Newsletter

Friday 26th February 2021

Google Classroom

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Keyworker Revised

Sports Coach Times:

Pupils attending school should wear their PE kits to school on these days from next week -

Tues: Years 5, 6, 1 and 2

Wed: Upper Early Years, Year 3 and Year 4



Dear Parent/Carer,

Now that the Prime Minister's has announced that all pupils can return to school on Monday 8th March, we are pleased that we can now start to plan for a return to our classrooms. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our pupils, parents and staff who have worked so hard by teaching and learning remotely. Please see the letter we sent home on Tuesday with details of our arrangements for reopening.



® Fairtrade Fortnight

This week saw the start of Fairtrade Fortnight.

What's Fairtrade? Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world. As a part of this week, pupils have been completing some online Fairtrade activities. You could ask your child to look out for products displaying the Fairtrade logo or get them

cooking using Fairtrade ingredients – we know a couple of classes had a go at making Fairtrade chocolate brownies this week!

HISTORY HEROES COMPETITION

A big thank you to everybody who took part in this holiday competition. The standard of work was amazing! Each teacher has picked two pieces of work to add to our new History Heroes display in the school hall. All pupils who have had their work displayed will receive a certificate and a small prize.

Women's History Month

Next month is the national Women's History month. I know some of you did your holiday research about significant women from History including Rosa Parks, Amelia Earhart and Marie Curie.

BBC Bitesize includes some fantastic 'significant people' video clips:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zkqmhyh>



Book Week Dress-up Day

Our ever popular dress-up as your favourite story book character will take place on Thursday 4th March, on World Book Day. This year's event will be very different but we are not going to let that stop us. Children can attend the live streams with their class teacher on that day as their favourite book character. Please don't go to any expense, home-made costumes can be just as effective and fun to make.

St. Mary's Amazing Reading Spaces!

During Book Week this year we would like you to create a reading den/space in your home. You can create an individual one or work with your sibling(s). This space should be somewhere you can get cosy and curl up with a good book and be transported to faraway magical lands. Please submit pictures of you in your amazing reading den/space via Google Classroom to your class teacher. As with the costumes please don't go to any expense. This blog might be useful: <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/blog/building-reading-dens/>

Topics this Half Term

	Topics Next Term	Useful Links
Yr1	The Greatest Explorers Who were the greatest explorers?	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhpchbk
Yr2	Seasons What are the seasons?	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkvv4wx/articles/zcx3gk7
Yr3	Our World Where on Earth are we?	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvsfr82/articles/zd4rmfr
Yr4	The Ancient Egyptians How much did the Ancient Egyptians achieve?	https://www.britishmuseum.org/collection https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg87xnb
Yr5	Changes in our Local Environment How is our country changing?	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zshp34j/articles/zntxqwx
Yr6	Global Warming and Climate Change Are we damaging our world?	David Attenborough documentary: 'A Life on Our Planet' (Available on Netflix - Rated PG) https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/z7dkhbk

Knowledge Organisers

We have sent home a Knowledge Organiser for the History, or Geography, topic your child will cover this half term. Pupils cover either one History, or one Geography, topic each half term (3 topics of each per year). This includes all of the key subject knowledge that they should remember and understand by the end of this topic - as well as key vocabulary covered. You may like to use this sheet to ask your child questions about what they have found out.

Interview - Children's Mental Health Week

As a part of Mental Health Week, our Music teacher (Mariela) did an interview with Tania Diggory (mental health specialist) to raise awareness for children's week. You can watch the interview here:

<https://www.facebook.com/1252371472/posts/10224453141856735/?d=n>