



**29<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**„Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself“**

**Message from Mrs Procter**



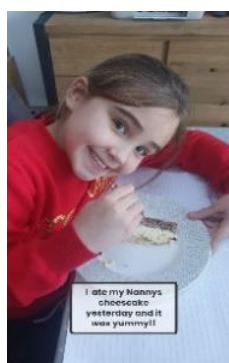
Well the news that we heard this week has probably filled you all with dread, as it did me - schools will not be back until at least 8<sup>th</sup> March! I know that this seems an awfully long way off but let us try and think of it in chunks. We have two weeks until half term and then you will all have a week off from any home learning. School **will be closed to all children** for half term.

I realise just how tough this lockdown is on all parents trying to work from home. I am trying to motivate two teenagers who are home alone all day as both my husband and I are at work. Apart from trying to stop them killing each other, we had the added trauma of my youngest daughter's laptop dying this week. I have been having to leave my laptop at home and doing teams and zoom meetings from my phone - which is no mean feat. I am sure you are all having similar issues in your houses. If you are struggling at home with technology, timetables or general motivation please call the school office and speak to a member of SLT - a little word from us to your child directly may work wonders!!

As a school we are setting three to four hours of work a day but as I have said in the past if you are struggling with this, do the best that you can. I know that the expectations this time have been increased as we do not want children to fall behind too much but we are fully aware that you are not teachers and that family life will upon occasion get in the way of home learning. Please do not panic or stress about this we will pick up the pieces once the children return to school. Remember all the children in the country are in the same position and the most important thing is that your children and your families are safe and well - anything beyond that we will deal with when we return to school.



It was lovely to see pictures of you all enjoying some cake at home this week, I think we all deserved a little treat. We had a cake afternoon in school on Friday and just stopped and enjoyed something nice together. Our lovely kitchen staff made us all some beautiful cakes.



The feedback that we have had this week about the live lessons have been very positive, parents have reported that one hour lessons are much better than all morning. Can I just ask that you remind your children that they need their cameras on for all zoom meetings and that the children do not change their name on their device whilst on the call - children certainly keep us on our toes, my poor staff are learning new skills daily!

I was made aware of one of our children who really thought about how they could look after others this week. Harry on his daily walk gave his £1.00 that he had in his pocket to a homeless person who was sitting on the pavement outside Greggs - I was so proud of him to be thinking of others!



The nights are starting to get a little lighter and some days have been a bit milder this week, which is a sign that spring will soon be on its way. Last weekend when I was on my walk I saw the first sign of spring and it really lifted my spirits. We have to remember the important things in life- we are all safe at home with our families, we have shelter in our houses, food on the table and the next season with brighter weather will soon be with us. Stay safe and well, I cannot wait for the day we can welcome all children back into school as I miss my daily hugs - teenagers do not like to give too many!

## **Weekly Reflection**

### **Ethos Statement – I can co-operate with others in work and play**

It is not always easy to co-operate with others, especially when we like doing things in our own way. However, in the Bible St Paul gave advice to the early Christians about how to live together in harmony. He encouraged them especially to make up after an argument and to think carefully about how we treat others. If we want to be successful in our work and play then learning how to work well together as a team will enable us to be triumphant. We ask God to help us learn to work together and never be too proud to ask for help or too hesitant to give it. As Mrs Procter said in her assembly, "Let the world slow down and eat cake together."



The following children have shown they are able to co-operate with others this week.

FCB – Robyn Morgan	1HW – Lucy Kent	2RL – Callum Linge
FCB – Paddy Mealor	1HW – Jason Frost	2RL – Joseph Bolger
FEM – Harry Farnin-Roden	1SH – Leo Llewellyn	2HS – Poppy Smith
FEM – Joseph Farnin-Roden	1SH – Ethan Howes	2HS – Harry Coffin
3LS – Daniel Verlander	4AY – Rose Delaney	5HK – Laura Howell
3LS – Olivia Smart	4AY – Jack Herbert	5HK – Josie-May McIntyre
3EJ – Theo Hancock	4DJ – Luca Porter	5RM – Ethan Platten
3EJ – Keir Strand	4DJ – Max Morgan	5RM – Sumari Nag
6GA – Greta Gilchrist		
6GA – Chloe Dixon		
6KH – Thomas Moynihan		
6KH – Libby Wilson		

## Online Youth Club for Children in Years 4, 5 and 6



Children's services are offering an online youth club for all children in years 4-6. The youth club is an online group that will meet once a week of an evening and will be a chance for the children to access support, to meet other young people and have fun.

The club is delivered by professional Youth Workers employed by the Local Authority within their Schools and Community Department. The Youth Workers are all DBS checked and have years of experiences of working with children and young people within Youth Clubs, the community and school settings. If you are interested in your child taking part, please email [lisajoy@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:lisajoy@wirral.gov.uk).

Here are some of the comments from children who have attended the Virtual Youth Clubs:

*"I really enjoyed it because I got to meet new people and the youth workers are really nice" Year 6 Child*

*"I liked it because I got to be myself" Year 4 Child*

*"I have loved it I like how we talked about tons of things and meeting people" Year 6 child*

### Dates For Your Diary

Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half term
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	School re-opens
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	School closes for spring break at 1.30pm