



12th February 2021

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

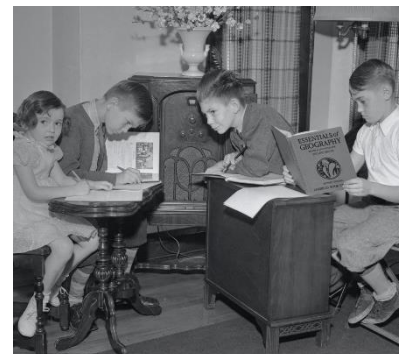
Message from Mrs Procter



Well done to all of our parents, you have all done an amazing job supporting your children with their home learning, you will be pleased to know you can all now have a week off. This week you can spend some time as a family maybe going on a walk, bike riding or just playing a game but please remember to follow the Government guidelines for this lockdown as the cases we have in school reflect our community, so if we all stick to the guidelines we will be able to minimise the cases within school once we return.

I was delighted to receive so many photos of our children enjoying their packages. I hope it raised a smile in your house this week and spared our children on for their final week of home learning before the break. If you have found your child has been a little tired and dis-engaged this week then let me reassure you that this is perfectly normal and we usually find this in school before a holiday. Thank you to all of the parents who have completed the home learning questionnaire this week we are working our way through them and trying to take on board any suggestions made. It was lovely to receive such positive feedback 96% of you said you felt support by school. We will be looking into setting more work each week from the home learning books that we sent home. Moving forward next term we will be introducing another live lesson in an afternoon for one of our non core subjects as 49% of you said you did not want any more live lessons and 51% said they would like more. What do they say - you cannot please all of the people all of the time! 😁

I discovered this week that home learning is not a new phenomenon as back in the 1940s the schools were closed to all children due to the polio outbreak and lessons were delivered nationally via radio programs. Our home learning has moved on since then but we all need to be reassured that we have not been aware of a generation of children who fell behind because of this in the 1940s and the same will be said of our children. They may have slipped a little this term but this is nothing that we will not be able to address when they return to school. Maybe for the next twelve months expectations will have to change in the education system but honestly that is no bad thing. As I keep reminding you all the most important thing is that your children are safe and well and that you remain calm (easier said than done I know) and reassure them that this will not last forever and we will all be back to school again soon. I hear people saying that this situation is the new normal, **it is not** this is a temporary situation whilst we get on top of the global pandemic and it will end eventually.



I hope that you all have a lovely break, I know that as a staff we are all ready for it, this term has been exhausting. The staff will not be accessing Seesaw over the half term as I have instructed them to all take a well-deserved break. They have all worked immensely hard this term to meet the needs of both the children in school and those at home. I am very proud to have such an amazing team around me - all staff have worked above and beyond what is expected from them, from our cleaners who have kept our school virus free, our caretaker who has kept our site secure, our office staff who have answered the numerous calls to support parents, our kitchen staff who have made food parcels and kept all the children and staff well fed, our middays who have supported our children in their bubbles each day, TAs who have support the children and class teachers daily, our teachers who have adapted their way of working to support both our home learners and children within school and the senior leadership team who have had to read the numerous risk assessments I write, complete weekly home visits to support our children and supported parents - together we make a fabulous team! I was delighted to see that parents recognized this in their feedback on the questionnaires.

I have developed a new timetable for you to give to your children for the half term so that you can have a little bit of peace - please feel free to use it. Stay safe and well this week.

9.00am Nature study- Learn how to make a cup of tea

10.00am DT- Learn how to operate the washing machine

11.00am PE- Take the rubbish out

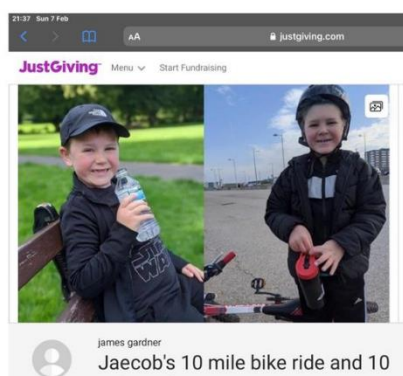
1.00pm Science- How to clean a bathroom

2.00pm Geography- Learn where the items thrown around the bedroom actually belong

3pm Food Tech- Chopping Veg

4pm Science investigation- Learn how hot water and washing up liquid removes grease from pans

5.00pm After school club- Go to your room with your iPad/ book/games and be quiet.



Well done Jaecob who has taken on a 10 mile challenge. He is riding his bike for 10 miles and walking 10 miles and so far has raised an amazing £1,245 for Cancer Research - we are so proud of you!!

Weekly Reflection

Ethos Statement – I try to appreciate the beauty in the world around me

In the creation story in Genesis we see how God gave us the world and asked us to care for it. We are his stewards and have a responsibility to look after it for future generations. As we gaze on the beauty of waves crashing upon rocks, a glorious sunset or flowers starting to bloom, we remember how amazing God is to have created all of it and we must thank him for all he has given us.



The following children have shown they recognise the beauty of God's world:

FCB – Thomas Canavan
FCB – Rory Coffin
FEM – Daisy Shaw
FEM – Theo Laycock

1HW – Annie Battle
1HW – Sami Smith
1SH – Sophie Lynch
1SH – Henry Nicholas

2RL – Ronan Madden
2RL – Ruby Byrne
2HS – Jaecob Edwards
2HS – Jack Trevor

3LS – Amira Johnston
3LS – Phoebe Flynn-Moran
3EJ – Orla Vesey
3EJ – Alanna Ronald

4AY – Anna Jarmulkowicz
4AY – Sammy Hatton
4DJ – Bella Hall
4DJ – Luka Thomas

5HK – David Garnett
5HK – Bella Gough
5RM – Taylor Dean
5RM – Holly Duncan

6GA – Ben Hughes
6GA – Liam Roberts
6KH – Milly Macmaster
6KH – Noah Howard

Zoom Calls

Unfortunately we have had some children not following our school code of conduct for zoom calls this week and have been changing their backgrounds and adding props. This is not acceptable and their connection will be terminated if this happens again. Please remind you children of the protocols for live lessons and zoom calls.

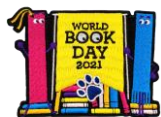
Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent teacher meetings will take place on Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th March via Zoom. Please make your booking via the School Spider app. Booking will close automatically at 6pm on Friday 26th February. If you have not used School Spider for a while please log out and back into the app as after a period of inactivity you are only able to view but not make any requests.

Absence Reporting

If your child is going to be absent from school please ensure that you notify the office by 9am. If we do not hear from you we have to record your child's absence as unauthorised. Thank you.

World Book Day



We will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 5th March by wearing pyjama's/onesies – more details to follow after half term.

Guitar Lessons

I am delighted to announce CTK's new guitar teacher, Mr Ormesher: Winner of the Daily Telegraph Young Jazz Award (1993), Runner-up ITV Young Jazz Musician Of the Year (1998) and Winner of the Berlin Jazz And Blues Award (2008). As well as being an outstanding musician, he is an experienced teacher who teaches all styles of guitar, and I'm very glad that he's joining the music team at CTK.

If anyone is interested in taking up guitar lessons after the half term holiday then please get in touch with Mr Ormesher who will then send you a form to fill in. He is happy to commence lessons virtually, and will be joining us on-site as soon as rules allow.

Prices are as follows:

Group lessons: £7

Individual lessons: £12



Email anthonyormesher@hotmail.co.uk for more information.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 22 nd February	School re-opens
Friday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 26 th March	School closes for spring break - 1.30pm
Monday 12 th April	School re-opens
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday – School closed
Friday 28 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 7 th June	School re-opens
Tuesday 20 th July	School closes for summer holidays - 1.30pm



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THE FOLLOWING DATES RELATE TO THE REMAINDER OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR SEPTEMBER 2020 – JULY 2021

Spring Term 2021	School closes for half term	:	Friday 12 th February 2021
	School reopens	:	Monday 22 nd February 2021
	School closes for Spring Break at 1.30pm	:	Friday 26 th March 2021
Summer Term	School reopens	:	Monday 12 th April 2021
	MAY BANK HOLIDAY	:	Monday 3 rd May 2021
	School Closes for half term	:	Friday 28 th May 2021
	School reopens	:	Monday 7 th June 2021
	School closes for Summer holidays at 1.30pm	:	Tuesday 20 th July 2021

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Autumn Term 2021	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
	School reopens	:	Friday 3 rd September 2021
	School closes for half term	:	Thursday 21 st October 2021
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Friday 22 nd October 2021
	Inset Day (School Closed to pupils)	:	Monday 1 st November 2021
	School reopens	:	Tuesday 2 nd November 2021
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Monday 7 th December 2021
	School closes for Christmas at 1.30pm	:	Friday 17 th December 2121
Spring Term 2021	School reopens	:	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
	School closes for half term	:	Friday 18 th February 2022
	School reopens	:	Monday 28 th February 2022
	School closes for Spring Break at 1.30pm	:	Friday 8 th April 2022
Summer Term	School reopens	:	Monday 25 th April 2022
	MAY BANK HOLIDAY	:	Monday 2 nd May 2022
	School Closes for half term	:	Friday 27 th May 2022
	School reopens	:	Monday 6 th June 2022
	School closes for Summer holidays at 1.30pm	:	Thursday 21 st July 2022