



Newsletter 15th January 2021



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With love we grow!

"Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin."

St Teresa of Calcutta

Very Belated Happy New Year

Well what a start to 2021!! We had hoped to have the children altogether for longer than 1 day, but it is what it is. The main thing is to stay safe and keep doing the right thing to enable us to get back to 'normal' as soon as possible.

Home Learning - The commitment that we are seeing from children and parents alike is commendable. The older pupils have shown resilience, independence and great maturity and we are very proud of them for showing this. The younger ones too have been amazing with your support and guidance. Please remember that school is still fully open and operational so please do not struggle alone, if you or your child are struggling in anyway or have any questions, please contact the school directly or email your class teacher.

Reading Books Staff have requested children return reading books to school before they issue new ones. Please drop the books in the boxes at the front of school for quarantining and staff will advise when new books are ready for collection.

Zoom Sessions - If you are unable to, or have difficulty accessing online learning or the learning platforms please contact school.

Fantastic News - We shared before Christmas that Miss Issa is now Mrs Jones, we are also delighted to say that Mrs Jones is now proud mum to Jasmine who was born over Christmas. Mum and baby are doing really well.

Covid Information - It is imperative if your child is attending school that should anyone in your household have coronavirus symptoms or is awaiting a test result, ALL household members must self isolate and the child should not attend school. We are asked to report to the DfE on our whole school, so even if you are at home and develop any Covid symptoms, please contact school. We will also need to know the outcome of test results both positive or negative.

Chorley Buddies - Just a reminder that Chorley Buddies is still offering the following services, even during this lockdown:

Phone Buddy - if there is anyone who would benefit from a chat, then we would be pleased to call

Shopping & Meds collection and delivery Buddy - as a last call, where people can't get food delivered or meds collected by other means, we will do that

Activity Buddy - if you know someone who would benefit from a walk and some company, if COVID appropriate, we would encourage and accompany them on a walk.

Emergency Funds - where individuals or families have emergency needs - broken white goods, food, clothes
Your Parish/school may also have an SVP Conference offering some or all of these and you should go to them first, but, otherwise please contact us on chorleybuddies@hotmail.com or 01257542324.

If you would like to help by phoning someone who may be lonely, please email or phone as above to volunteer.

New Intake September 2021 - Please note the deadline for all applications is today, 15th January 2021. Our 'Supplementary Faith Form' is available on our school website.

Fun Challenges - Holy Cross PE department are sharing some physical challenges to have a go at. The aim of these challenges is to break up the routine of remote learning and instil a bit of fun into the week.

1st challenge is The Shoe Challenge - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ORWSwo1FziM>

2nd challenge is The Wall Squat Challenge - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTyBZTgkpPU>

Parents can do a video and upload to your own parent Twitter account, tagging your class page in it. See previous newsletters on our website for your class Twitter account.

Jam Coding - Jam Coding have introduced some Virtual After School Clubs following a number of requests from parents with regards to providing some tuition during the current lockdown. The clubs are designed to help parents with home-schooling and hopefully give parents rest-bite following on from the school day. They are catering for all year groups from years 1 to 6. Parents/children will need access to a laptop in order for children to access the provision which they have tried to make as accessible as possible.

The link to view the clubs is: <https://jamcoding.co.uk/courses/>