



St. Sampson's Church of England Primary School

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Term 1 - Number 2

Thursday, 10th September 2020

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It has been wonderful to have our FS2 children start part time this week. I have been so impressed with how they have come into school and have just got straight on with the handwashing routine as they join their class! In fact, the children across the whole school are being superb at sticking to the safety measures without them impacting on their focus on learning. Well done everyone!

We had a fantastic Celebration Assembly on Friday where each class met on 'Zoom'. The classes could all see each other and hear each other and the teachers were able to award their first 'Stars of the Week,' although they had a really tough job choosing!

Collective Worship also took place this week in each class. I am recording a whole school worship which the teachers can share and then reflect on as a class later in the week. All in all, we are finding ways to make sure that we are able to have a whole school approach whilst not mixing our class bubbles. School council is the next thing to get up and running - remotely of course!

Thank you all so much for all your feedback and positive approach.

Jennifer Bayne

Parking - Polite Reminder

Where possible, we strongly encourage children to walk or cycle to school.

Please park considerately if you need to come in your car - consider parking further away and walking to the school entrance to ease congestion and help make the entrances to our site safer.

- **PLEASE NEVER PARK OR TURN IN THE FIRE STATION**
- **PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU DO NOT BLOCK ACCESS ALONG BATH ROAD TO AND FROM THE FIRE STATION**
- Please do not leave your car engine running



St Sampson's Stars!



A big well done to all our stars of the week 😊

Kingfishers - Sophie & Theo

Puffins - Oscar & Caelan

Woodpeckers - Maimie & Daniel

2/3C - Lucy & Isabelle

2/3L - Rebecca & Connor

2/3S - Ava & Isabel

4/5O - Margaret-Mary & Tiffany

4/5R - Tyler & Toby

4/5W - Lucian & Madeleine

6B - Issy & William

6J - Sophie & Olly



Covid Safety Plan

After this weekend, the government guidance will be that social gatherings of over six people are to be banned both inside and outside. Schools are exempt from this. However, we are working very hard to ensure that we follow our plan and the guidelines in school. Bubbles are not mixing in the school day and we have many measures in place to keep everyone safe. In working together, both in and out of school, I sincerely hope that we can do our part to ensure that the children can return to more social and normal routines as soon as is safely possible.

For school, please can I remind everyone:

- Please do not send your child to school if they have a temperature, a new, continuous cough or a change or loss of taste or smell.
- Please maintain social distancing as you drop off and collect your child
- Please use the whole drop off window time (Y1-Y6) of 8:45-8:55am. *(Reception children are still to be dropped off at 8:50am for next week so that we can guarantee a member of staff will be on the door).* Please be prepared to wait back if the entrance is busy.
- Please use the correct entrance for your child's class as this avoids crossover in the corridors
- Please do not let your child(ren) use the playtrails on the bottom or top playground. *(We are able to use these again in the school day but have a strict bubble / 48 hour rest / cleaning system in place so that the children can use these).*
- Where possible, only one adult should collect / drop off children. Please communicate these arrangements with any other adult collecting your children.
- Please make sure that you wash lunch boxes and water bottles thoroughly, uniform / PE kit is clean and your child only brings the minimum amount they need to school each day.

Whilst none of us can control the behaviour of others out of school, I would ask you all to consider the responsibility that we have to our school community and beyond.

Jeans for Genes Day

A week tomorrow, on **Friday, 18th September**, children are allowed to wear denim (or their own clothes) rather than uniform in exchange for a donation for this charity. They don't need to wear their school jumpers but something that is more appropriate with this casual look! There is no need for children to wear PE kit on this day.



Notice from Virgin Care

At present, Virgin Care are not coming in to school to carry our routine eyesight and hearing checks. They have asked schools to remind parents that all children should have an annual optician check and if there any concerns about their child's hearing, then to visit their GP.