St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hopefully, you have all received the message that due to the sad news of the passing of our Queen a bank holiday has been declared for this Monday 19th September. School will reopen as usual on the Tuesday.

Requiem Mass - all invited

Father Philip will be leading a Requiem Mass at 11am on Wednesday 21st September at The Holy Ghost Church for anyone wishing to attend.

Book of Remembrance

In school the children have been learning about the life of the Queen and taking part in activities celebrating her life. I have seen some lovely reflections, poetry and discussions in classes over the last week about The Queen and also our new King.

As a school we are creating a book to mark the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth; to remember and celebrate her life, and to support our pupils, staff and communities with their own emotions at this time. The book will contain thoughts, reflections, words and responses of individual members. The children are all drawing a picture or writing a piece to go in the book. Staff and Governors are also writing their thoughts and reflections. If any parent/carer wishes to contribute you are very welcome. The book has black pages so that the children's work can be added on white paper, so any contributions need to be written or typed on white paper and roughly A6 size. Please bring them to the office by the end of the day on Wednesday 21st September.

Quiz

A huge well done to Elliott, Annie, Beatrice and Thea who took part in the Budleigh Literary festival schools quiz yesterday. They didn't win but it was very close! They were fantastic and very knowledgeable. They did the school proud and will receive a pencil, bookmark, notepad and certificate of participation from the festival organisers. Well done children!

'Health for Kids' DCC Website

DCC Public Health Nursing has launched a new website to provide school age children and their parents/carers with health and wellbeing advice:

<u>Health for Kids</u> - https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/ provides information for primary school aged children and includes games, videos and quizzes. The site consists of four different worlds: Staying Healthy, Illness, Feelings and Getting Help. Each world is populated with different areas for children to learn about their health. There is a separate area for grown-ups for in-depth guidance and localised information -

www.healthforkids.co.uk/devon

Many thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Diary dates:

Monday 19th September – Bank Holiday

Wednesday 21st September – Requiem Mass at Church, everyone welcome

Friday 23rd September – Dogs Trust assembly and KS2 workshops

Tuesday 27th September – Harvest Festival. Any donations for Exmouth Food bank gratefully received.

Tuesday 18th October – Rowan Class Tiverton museum workshop

Tuesday 18th October – Flu vaccinations Rec – Yr 6

Wednesday 19th October – Alex Wharton author visit TBC

Headteacher Awards: Cherry Class- Thea, Chloe

Stars of the week: Oak Class - Halle, Rowan Class - Aaron, Sycamore Class - Arthur, Cherry Class - Chloe,

Maple Class – Daisy, Beech Class – Lilly, Lydia and Max