



# Forward March!

## UN CONVENTION ARTICLE 17:

You have the right to get information that is important to your well-being, from radio, newspapers, books, computers and other sources. Adults should make sure that the information you are getting is not harmful, and help you find and understand the

*With God's help  
we will  
live kindly,  
love each other,  
learn and  
laugh together!*

## March Newsletter 2021

Dear Families of the March CE Primary School,

It has been truly delightful to see all of our children back in school this week. On Monday morning, there was a lovely buzz around the school with lots children keen to chatter to their friends and catch up again.

I have visited every class and spoken with the children and the overwhelming feeling from them was that they were delighted to be back and to see their teachers and friends. One of the most important things over the next few weeks is to allow the children time to reconnect and redevelop routines. It is important that they can socialise with their friends in school year groups and that our younger pupils continue to develop their communication and language skills.

Teachers have also reported that the children have really enjoyed their first few days back. They were keen to settle down to their work and have established good working routines – long may this continue!

I sincerely hope that this will now be how we can operate and that any further lockdowns will be avoided. I'm sure that there will be bumps in the road that we have to deal with, but we will do everything we can to make sure the rest of the year is as smooth as possible for our pupils.

We will be re-starting some of our school clubs in the summer term. Please give this your full support and encourage your children to take part. The extra-curricular offer is hugely important to our school and for your children. I can confirm that all clubs will be following the relevant guidelines to be as safe as possible and they will be in year groups until the guidance changes.

More Information will follow Easter on how to book and what clubs will be on offer. This week we had Pastor Steve in for worship and today we had a lovely Head Teachers celebration assembly. Reverend Rachel is in next week, which we will look forward to as well.





Our Year 6 House captains gave wonderful speeches to encourage and praise their houses which we thought we'd share with you below.

**Green House** *Hi everyone, I want you all to know that you are doing really well and we are in this together so well done and keep going.* Erin and Joe

**Yellow House** *Well done all of Yellow house ! we have been 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> through the whole lockdown keep up the great work.* Amelie and Oliver

**Blue House** *You're doing so well , we know it has been a hard year but you haven't let that stop you. You're earning these house points quickly every single one of them. We just want you to know that if you believe in yourself and if you work hard you will do so well.* Amber and Jake

**Red House** – *You're doing so well and collecting lots of house points , well done we know you can do this, so keep going and don't give up !* Mia and Ollie

### Kids Love Yoga

This week as part of our PE curriculum and PSHE we have taking part in Yoga. Yoga has the ability to improve academic achievement and classroom behaviour, and can result in numerous positive outcomes including improved mood and enhanced cognitive performance. The children have really loved this and being talking about this in class, even bringing in their yoga mats to school !!

#### The benefits of **YOGA** for your school:

1. Yoga is fun, physical and great for all-abilities.
2. Yoga builds confidence & self-worth, and develops communication skills.
3. Yoga can help to release tension & anxiety.
4. Yoga is very effective for children with special educational needs.
5. Yoga sessions can act as a reward for good behaviour, either weekly or half-termly.
6. Yoga teaches the importance of co-operation & peer support.
7. Yoga provides the opportunity to discuss & promote the social & emotional aspects of learning
8. Yoga gives students focus and teaches them to self-calm.
9. Yoga can complement the school day by teaching and reinforcing literacy through storytelling.
10. Yoga classes can be tailored to children with challenging needs & behaviour.
11. Yoga classes can fit flexibly with your timetable or seamlessly link in with a special event in school, such as health week.



Thanks for taking the time to read this newsletter. If you would like to discuss any items from the newsletter in more detail, please do not hesitate to call the school , my door is always 'Open'.

Keep Safe and have a good half term everyone

***Mrs Nicky Metcalfe***

Head Teacher