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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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### Children's Mental Health Week 2021

This week, we joined in with schools across the UK, in considering our mental health and how we can express ourselves. The week started on Monday, with all children enjoying a virtual assembly with BAFTA and Oak National Academy and featured celebrities such as Jodie Whittaker (Dr Who) and Oti Mabuse.

During the week, classes have looked at how they can express themselves, and how it makes them feel when they share their thoughts or feelings creatively.

Such an important subject to consider, particularly during this pandemic - getting across the message that it is ok to talk about, and discuss feelings, in order to feel good about yourself.

### Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021

This year the theme is: '**An internet we trust: exploring reliability in the online world**'.

We will celebrate the amazing range of information and opportunities online, and its potential to inform, connect and inspire us, whilst also looking at how young people can separate fact from fiction.

Visit [saferinternet.org.uk](http://saferinternet.org.uk) for useful tips and advice and also to find out more about the day.

### Values and Virtues

We are continuing to be '**Grateful and Generous**'.

Congratulations to Maddox (RCT) and Anayah (3M) who are the winners of the certificates this week.

The God Who Speaks - The Year of the Word This week, we celebrated the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, or Candlemas as it is also known. It is the time when the candles used in church for the coming year are blessed. Mr Baker spoke to the children about how Jesus was revealed to the world, when Simeon declared:

'Here is the Light you will reveal to the nations' (Luke 2:32)

We think, particularly, this half term about what this means - how Jesus is a light in our world and how we can be a light to others.

### New PE Website Page

As you know, it is really important for our children to be as active as possible, in order to support their physical and mental wellbeing. To help keep active at home, and to introduce some healthy competition, please have a look at the new 'Physical Education, School Sport and Physical Activity' page on our school website (click on 'About Us', then 'Curriculum'). Here, you will find the links to sign up for **virtual after-school clubs** and to take part in **virtual competitions** (St. Wilfrid's KSSP Home Competition Guide). See if your scores can help St. Wilfrid's move up the league table - good luck!





### **eSchools**

Just a reminder about your child's home learning on eSchools - Your child can access eSchools via our school website at [www.stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk) and use their eSchool log ins.

### **Nursery**

If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018, they are eligible for a Nursery place in September 2021. Please call at the school office to complete an application form.

### **Behaviour Awards**

**Pink Badge:** David S

**Purple Badges:** Niamh, Ava H

**Red Badge:** Savannah

### **STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK**

Nursery	Lucy-Lou
Reception CT	Delia
Reception SS	Brayah
Year 1M	Jennaye, Riley
Year 1GP	Ella-Marie, Connor
Year 2B	Summer, Mrs Cave
Year 2G	Deron
Year 3C	Jordan
Year 3M	Eunice
Year 4B	Makaulay
Year 4P	Angel
Year 5B	Joel-Eli, Elijah
Year 5M	Jack, Oliver
Year 6G	Cortez, Grant
Year 6TW	Kiera, Ebony
Sports Award	Jireh (2G)

**Well done everyone!**

### **Prayers**

We continue to pray for all those in our school community battling the Covid-19 virus.

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours sincerely,

**R Baker and staff**

