

'Working together to succeed, through faith in Jesus Christ'

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 12th February 2021

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Happy half term to all of our pupils, families and staff! We wish you all a well-deserved break from school and home learning after a very different and challenging half term. Thank you to our families for their ongoing support and adapting to becoming 'teachers' and 'whizzes' on Seesaw and Tapestry. The children have impressed us with their engagement and perseverance with their learning activities. Our staff team have worked so hard to adapt to the demands of remote learning, supporting children at home and ensuring our pupils in school are looked after on a daily basis. I think I speak for us all when I say this holiday is well-deserved for everyone! Despite the restrictions in place, please enjoy some family time, create some special memories as best you can and stay safe!

Mr. Hatton

Test and Trace

A reminder that if your child has symptoms of Covid-19 during the half term holidays, they must self-isolate in line with Government guidance. If the symptoms occur up to 48 hours after Friday 12th February (Sunday 15th February until 3.00pm), you must arrange for them to be tested and let school know the result via contactststephens@gmail.com

School will then contact any families who may be affected and share with them the test and trace information provided by the DFE and Public Health. **We appreciate it's a difficult time but we do ask that families ensure they follow Government guidelines over the holidays in the interest of everyone – reducing mixing with others will continue to reduce the risk of infection spreading and hopefully enable us all to come back together sooner rather than later as a school community.**

Monday 22nd February

- School reopens for pupils who have been allocated places in our vulnerable and key worker pupil provisions at 8.45am.
- Remote learning begins for our home learners and Zoom class catch ups will begin again with class teachers.
- Paper resource packs will be available to collect from 10.30am as normal.
- FSM vouchers will be emailed out to pupils who are in receipt of Free School Meals.

'Zoom' Class Catch Ups

Zoom times for our first week back. We will also send a reminder text on the day of the Zooms to remind parents/carers. We look forward to seeing our home learners online. Thank you!

	Class Catch Up 1		Class Catch Up 2	
Reception	Monday	11.00am	Friday	11.00am
Year 1	Monday	1.10pm	Friday	1.40pm
Year 2	Monday	2.00pm	Thursday	1.00pm
Year 3	Monday	9.10am	Friday	1.10pm
Year 4	Monday	11.50am	Friday	11.50am
Year 5	Monday	1.50pm	Friday	2.00pm
Year 6	Monday	12.00pm	Thursday	12.00pm

Reading Books

It was an absolute pleasure to hand out and deliver a reading book to every child this week whether they were in school or at home. We wanted to let the children know we were thinking of them and provide some reading to share with their family or by themselves as an escape from the current situation we are in!

World Book Day Competition

Please see the poster attached below and shared on our Facebook page which launches our World Book Day competition – design a 'Reading Spuddy'. We wanted to create a fun, family friendly and possible half term holiday activity to inspire our children using potatoes, their favourite book/character and their imaginations! All entries are to be photographed and shared via Tapestry, Seesaw or Facebook by Thursday 4th March. The most creative entries per class will win a Smyths Toys voucher!

Elf Run

We are delighted to announce that we raised £1,997.02 for St. Rocco's Hospice at Christmas. Thank you to our pupils and families for their wonderful support of this very worthy cause – well done to everyone!

Lenten Collective Worships

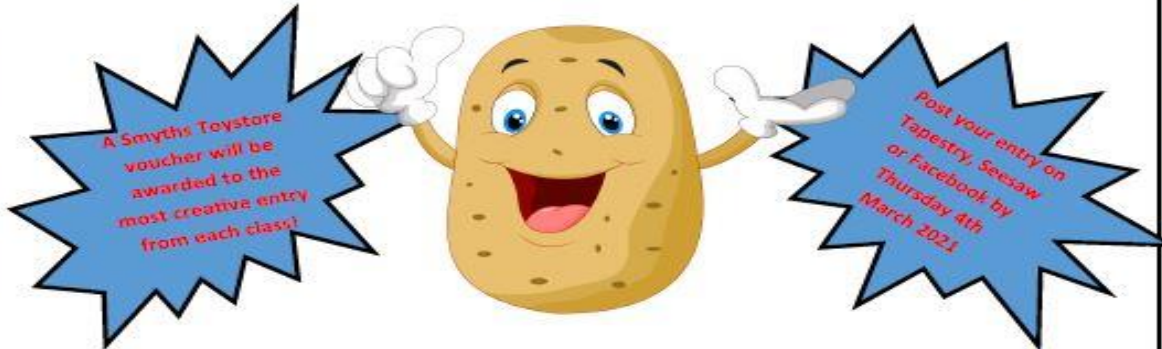
Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which marks the start of Lent. In order to reflect and pray through Lent as we prepare to celebrate Easter, Mr Hatton will be hosting a live collective worship each Wednesday at 11am next half term. Pupils at home and in school will be invited to come together virtually each week via Zoom. The first session will be at 11am on Wednesday 24th February – invites will be sent out soon.



Create your own



Reading Spuddy



World Book Day

Thursday 4th March 2021

STEP 1

Choose your favourite book character



STEP 2

Find a large potato (leave its jacket on!)



STEP 3

Decorate your potato to look like your book character—you can use paint/tissue paper/fabric or any other materials



STEP 4

Post a picture of your very own Reading Spuddy with your book on Tapestry, Seesaw or Facebook



An example of how to showcase a 'Reading Spuddy'

