

## Newsletter ~ Term 1, Week 3

### Covid-19 Update

Thank you for your continued open and honest discussions with us regarding pupil symptoms and absence. We have to go by our symptom check list, so if your child has a new, continuous cough, a temperature or a loss of sense of taste and smell, please ring 119 for advice and a test if necessary. Keep children off school if they develop these symptoms.

If your child has had a test, it is really important that you let us know as soon as possible of the result **before** your child / children come back to school.

Please use email rather than phone if you need to contact the office. Messages will get back to us more reliably and rapidly at the moment through email at the moment.

### Parents' Evenings Years 1-6

We are planning to hold our parents' consultation evenings slightly later this year, after half term. This is for a number of reasons but principally in order for us to thoroughly assess children and ensure we are fully aware of any gaps in learning before we talk to you in detail about future learning.

We are also welcoming Mrs Willatts back to year 5 just before half term and we would like her to get to know the children before parents' evening. Further details for year 5 parents will follow in due course.

Our reception parents are usually invited to an evening in school during October to learn more about the curriculum. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Miss Bougourd is offering some on-line resources instead.

As always, please do not hesitate to Dojo class teachers if you have any concerns or questions.

### New Times: Beginning and End of the School Day

We are planning to shorten the length of time it takes for pupils to arrive and leave school at either end of the day. We hope to trial this next week, but we will let you know of exact timings before we make any changes. Under our new plan, all children should be in school by 9.05am and some classes will leave school a little later than now, with all pupils being off site by 3.15pm. Thank you for continuing to adhere to social distancing guidelines and your fantastic timekeeping.

### Online Safety

Apologies for a very long link to a useful resource to help you talk to your child about online safety. This will parallel work we are doing with the children in school.

[https://www.childnet.com/resources/online-safety-activities-you-can-do-from-home?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Childnet%20Newsletter%20-%2022nd%20September%202020&utm\\_content=Childnet%20Newsletter%20-%2022nd%20September%202020+CID\\_45f352b5eb9d347c99da351b6e594ef1&utm\\_source=Campaign%20Monitor&utm\\_term=collection%20of%20resources%20you%20can%20use%20from%20home](https://www.childnet.com/resources/online-safety-activities-you-can-do-from-home?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Childnet%20Newsletter%20-%2022nd%20September%202020&utm_content=Childnet%20Newsletter%20-%2022nd%20September%202020+CID_45f352b5eb9d347c99da351b6e594ef1&utm_source=Campaign%20Monitor&utm_term=collection%20of%20resources%20you%20can%20use%20from%20home)

### Wellbeing

Barnardo's 'See, Hear, Respond' is a service provided across England by Barnardo's and other national and local community-based organisations in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. See, Hear, Respond, provides support to children, young people and their families who aren't currently seeing a social worker or other agency, and who are struggling to cope with the emotional impacts of coronavirus (COVID-19). See, Hear, Respond will support families from pre-birth up to 18 years of age and those with special educational needs under the age of 25. See, Hear, Respond will contact every referral made, so no child is missed. Help is available in one or more of four ways:

- an online hub of support and information
- online counselling and therapy
- face-to-face support for those most affected and at risk of some of today's most pertinent issues, such as criminal exploitation, and
- helping children and young people reintegrate back into school

You can access via the 'See, Hear, Respond' service self-referral webpage or Freephone 0800 151 7015.

## Parish News

Please pray for our year 4 children who are making their First Holy Communion on Saturday at St Francis' church. We congratulate them on this important transition moment in their lives on the church.



We had a 'happy sad' moment this week, when Father Tom came to bid us farewell. Each class presented him with a card and thanked him for all the work he has done in our school since his arrival at the parish. We are happy that he has been able to pursue his mission in France for a while, but sad because he will be much missed.

Father Tom, our love and prayers go with you. You will always be a welcome visitor to our school.

## Ofsted Update

We have been working with children over the last few weeks to help them better understand our 'British Values' curriculum.

Adhering to our own school rules helps the children understand the importance of rules in our democracy, and how breaking the rules has consequences.

Our older children have been learning that this is called the 'Rule of Law'.

## And Finally....

*The change from summer to autumn this week came for me with a realisation that we have now lived through two seasons with various Covid-19 restrictions.*

*The children's joy in the falling leaves, the various nuts and twigs lying on the ground and even in the rain showers has reminded me that finding delight in the small things is possible...even during a pandemic.*



*Have a peaceful weekend*



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## 2020 Events

### North Somerset

**Tuesday 29th September:**  
[SEND Surgery, bookable 1:1 appointments 10am-12](#)

**Thursday 1st October:**  
[Choosing a secondary schools for young people with SEND](#)

**Tuesday 6th October:**  
[SEND Support in schools virtual workshop](#)

**Tuesday 20th October:**  
[SEND Surgery, bookable 1:1 appointments 10am-12](#)

**Tuesday 10th November:**  
[Choosing a primary school for children with SEND](#)

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