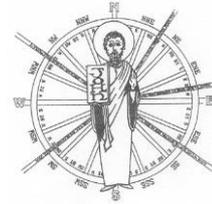


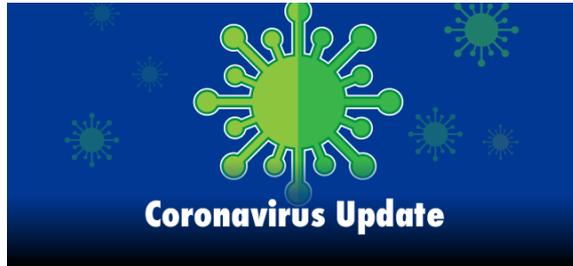


St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 16th March 2020

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We are following advice from the DfE and Public Health England regarding the Coronavirus.

As situation is changing daily; we have taken the decision to postpone any further educational visits/school trips.

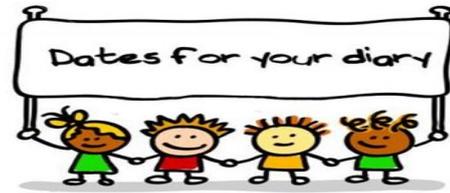
Please be vigilant and talk to your child about good personal hygiene.

You may find the following link helpful in how to explain Coronavirus to young children:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-51734855>

As you know schools across the globe are responding to the outbreak of the Coronavirus. In some cases, schools have closed or are making preparations for a potential closure. If this were to happen at St John's we would be providing work for the children.

One of the ways children would be able to access learning at home would be to use the website 'Twinkl'. This is used by teachers in school and Twinkl have VERY kindly offered free access to parents, if schools were to close, to support continued learning at home. If this were to happen we would issue guidance with full details of how to access this offer and also we would have the link on the school website and keep the school website updated with ideas for your children.

We would also provide additional work and guidance should we be directed to take the extreme measure of closing the school.



Tuesday 17th March – 2.50pm Reception Class Assembly

Tuesday 24th March – Year 6 Class Assembly

Wednesday 25th March – Lent dress up day; sporty clothing to promote healthy lifestyles

Monday 30th March – 9.15am Violin Recital
(parents of children who play the violin are welcome to attend – please remember that your child needs to be in school by 8.25am as they will need to warm up before the concert).

Friday 3rd April Easter Hat Parade

School finishes at 2pm

It is intended that Reception Class Assembly will still go ahead but will start at the slightly earlier time of **2.50pm** on Tuesday 17th March.

Buggies will need to be left at the school office.

No late admittance!

Dress up day – Lent fund raiser

On Wednesday 25th March we are asking the children to donate £1 to the chosen Lent charity, which is Greenpeace Environmental Trust.

The theme of the Dress up day is sporty/casual clothes – please take part in this!

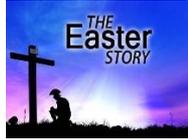
GREENPEACE
ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST

The children of the School Council, Green Team and Spiritual Life Committee together chose this charity as we want to continue with the theme of the importance of respecting and taking care of our environment.



Easter Hat Parade

At this time, we still intend for this year's Easter Hat Parade to go ahead. The Spiritual Life Committee decided to choose the Easter Story as the theme.



As a 'green' school please remember that the aim is to recycle, reuse and upcycle items to create your hat! Start to collect things that you would usually throw away which you could use for your hat such as food and general boxes and packaging, old buttons, old jewellery, lollypop sticks, sweet wrappers try to make the hat without spending any money!

Recycle! Reuse! Upcycle! Be creative!

The Green Challenge

The challenge now is for the rest of the school to 'upcycle' an item of clothing; there will be prizes for creative entries!

Please work with your child to 'upcycle' an unwanted clothing item and send this into school for the display. For example, can you make a bag from an old pair of jeans? Can you make a dress from an old t-shirt? A skirt from an old umbrella?

Celebrating Success Reception and Year 1 trip to Canada Water Theatre



Reception and Year 1 classes enjoyed a wonderful trip to the local library to see a great theatre show called "The House that Jackson Built".

Year 1 trip to the V & A Toy Museum



On Wednesday 11th March, Year 1 went to the Museum of Childhood to find out about toys from the past.

The children participated in a workshop where they sorted old toys from new toys, played with toys from the past and even made their own toys.

After this, the children explored the museum to look at the many toys on display. They all really enjoyed the rocking horses and the giant robot. The children were very well behaved in the museum and were especially sensible on the underground.

Well done Year 1!

Attendance 02/03/20 – 13/03/20



- Reception – 99.03%
- Year 1 – 93.87%
- Year 2 – 98.28%
- Year 3 – 88.04%
- Year 4 – 92.9%
- Year 5 – 95.89%
- Year 6 – 90.40%

Congratulations to Reception Class and Year 2 for reaching the target of 97%!

School Matters!

