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From the Headteachers

Thanks

This week as most of the school community has moved to remote learning and we have received many messages of thanks from parents regarding the quality of the learning taking place. The school teaching staff have worked tirelessly last term to familiarise themselves with the Google Classroom platform which allows them to share video lessons, PowerPoints and give the children feedback on their work. It is great to hear that all their hard work is appreciated.

Google Meets

We emailed earlier in the week asking parents to refrain from sharing images of other parents' children in a school context on social media. The safeguarding of all our children is a priority for the school and we have gone through a rigorous process of obtaining permissions from parents to use images appropriately and according to school policies. We have received excellent feedback from families regarding the Google meets and the children have enjoyed seeing their friends and teachers online, but it is important that we can ensure confidentiality and privacy of the whole school community. Thanks for your continued co-operation in this matter.

Nursery

This week we also received some updated guidance from the Department for Education which outlines that Nursery classes in schools can open for all pupils. Subsequently from Monday 11th January we are delighted to welcome all our Nursery children back to school in the usual way. If you have a child in Nursery you should have received an email from Mrs Bray, our EYFS coordinator, which gives you more information on these arrangements. Unfortunately, we are not able to invite any siblings back into school as the rest of school (including Reception) remains closed to children, apart from those whose parents are critical workers or who have very significant need.

Access to Remote Devices

We have issued several devices to families across the school which has ensured children are now able to log on to Google Classroom and submit work, however if you are still experiencing difficulties please contact Ms Ruiz on sruiz@corpus-christi.org.uk

Announcements

Nursery Fees

We are delighted to be able to offer our Nursery provision from next week. Please ensure your fees are up to date for December, following previous closures during the Autumn term and this week we will make the necessary amendments to your accounts due course.

Key Worker

Following recent Government guidance, we are now required to obtain evidence of keyworker status to support the place for your child at school during school closure. To continue to access your child's place in school under critical worker status you will need to produce evidence. This must be in the form of your work ID badge, seen in the school office, a letter from your employer or a copy of your pay slip, which can be emailed to sruiz@corpus-christi.org.uk by Friday 15th January. All must clearly state your role.

Merit Awards for the week ending 17th Dec 2020

ALL OF THE CHILDREN ACROSS THE SCHOOL

Attendance

CLASS	%
2	100
8	100
9	100
11	100
1	99.6
N	98.9
3	98.9
5	98.9
4	98.8
12	97.1
14	96.4
10	95.7
6	95.0
7	94.7
13	94.6

Congratulations to Classes 2, 8,9 & 11on their 100% attendance.

₩ ABRSM

In December 16 children sat their ABRSM music exams, they have all worked extremely hard during a very difficult year and continued to practice enough to be entered for their exam. We are very pleased that they all passed and some receiving merits and distinctions. Well done to you all.

For children who are currently assigned to a music lesson we are planning for these lessons to continue this term. We will notify you early next week on how this will happen.



Primary School Transfer

If your child was born between 01/09/2016 and 31/08/2017 your child should be starting primary school in September 2021. Nursery parents need to apply online through your home borough for your child's primary school place. This is known as a common application form. Please ensure you complete this by midnight Friday 15th January 2021. If you apply after this date the likelihood of gaining a place at your preferred school may be significantly reduced therefore, apply online and apply on time.

Parents' Association

The Parents' Association would like to wish all our families a very Happy New Year and thank you to everyone who contributed to our virtual Christmas Fair.

We will let you know how much we all raised for the school in the next few weeks.





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