School News

The Prayer

For flowers that bloom about our feet; For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet; For song of bird, and hum of bee; For all things fair we hear or see, Father in heaven, we thank You!



For blue of stream and blue of sky; For pleasant shade of branches high; For fragrant air and cooling breeze; For beauty of the blooming trees, Father in heaven, we thank You!



"Well Done"

to the following pupils who received special awards this week:

Reception – Charlie, Elsie, Hugo

Year 1 – George, Stanley, Grace

Year 2 – Daniel, Hansel, Nathan

Year 3 – Lola, Amelie, Natalia

Year 4 – Sophia, Ben, Whole Class

Year 5 – Pietro, Eliana, Cameron

Year 6 – Lucas T, Max, William

Parish Notice

Church will be open daily from 9.45am – 12pm The Pope has invited everyone to say the Rosary at 7pm on Thursday 26th March.

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

It has been an unprecedented week in our school's history. As you know school will be closed from Monday for the vast majority of our children. School will be open as a childcare provision from Monday for two groups of children:

1. Vulnerable children – this group is defined as those who have Education, Health and Care Plan and looked after children

2.The children of Key Workers: Parents whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response.

Government advice is that if at all possible, children should be at home. However, 'If you are a keyworker and you cannot keep your child safe at home then your child will be prioritised for education provision,' Gov UK 19.3.2020

If your child is in receipt of free school meals we will be in touch with more information about how to access the government scheme that has just been announced. In this period of absence if you have any well-being or safeguarding concerns, please contact the school immediately either by phone or email.

I will continue to do everything I can to support you and your family and if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to phone or email the school. I will of course update you of any new developments and would like to thank you personally for your help and co-operation in keeping our children safe.

God Bless and Keep Safe Lorna Buchanan

Staffing

Congratulations to Mr Jake Kinahan who will be joining us as a class teacher in September. Also, congratulations to Mrs Rebecca Catling who is now a part of our permanent staffing team.

Thank You to Helen Ward for Forwarding These Useful Websites

Museums / cultural online learning resources

Ashmolean Museum

#IsolationCreations (Twitter & Instagram)

We will be sharing one object from our collection on social media every day and asking people to share their own creative responses to it. These can be sketches, digital artworks, paintings, knitting projects, baked goods, an interpretive dance – literally anything that helps people to channel their creativity.

Online resources

My Learning (resources from various museums across variety of subject areas) https://www.mylearning.org/

Tate Kids (Art activities & quizzes) https://www.tate.org.uk/kids

Exploratorium (Science snacks) https://www.exploratorium.edu/snacks

Met Kids (art / history)

Hop in the Timeline section is especially nice – select themes, geog locations to come to objects – Discover, Imagine, Create activities

https://www.metmuseum.org/art/online-features/metkids/time-machine

Museum of London:

Great Fire of London game: http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/

Great Fire of London in Minecraft: https://www.museumoflondon.org.uk/discover/great-fire-1666

Ashmolean Museum (more teacher focused but may be bits of interest) https://www.ashmolean.org/learning-resources

Portal

Google Arts & Culture – high res images from museum collections around world https://artsandculture.google.com/

There are lots of virtual tours out there too - eg:

Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford: https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=ns3yCKpUzSq&help=1 Met, New York: https://www.metmuseum.org/art/online-features/met-360-project

And beyond – there's scope to use museum collections creatively

eg Scratch (computing / art) – creating animations: https://scratch.mit.edu/ideas