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A Message from Mrs Greenwood



We have come to the end of the first half term of 2021. I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work teaching the children online and those who are in school. It has been a fast learning curve for all of us but I'm sure you'll agree the lessons have been fantastic! I would also like to thank you for encouraging and helping your children to engage with the online learning, your efforts are appreciated. Next week is the half term holiday, I hope you all have a relaxing and restful week off and we

will see you again on Monday 22nd February when online lessons start again.

For parents of pupils who have been attending school this week only



Thoughts from a Home Learning Pupil



This week we have asked one of our KS1 learners to write a piece for the newsletter on his experiences of home learning.

Oscar from Year 2 says "I'm enjoying home schooling because I get to be with my mum and my sister, Tatum who is in Reception, all the time and I also get to be nice and cosy while I join in with virtual lessons. It's easy to use the Chromebook to do my work and if I need help my teacher or my mummy are good at helping me. I'm happy I still get to see my teachers and my friends but I also miss being in school and I miss music class and playtime. It is half term next week and we plan on some nice walks in the park, some arts and crafts activities and games.

My little sister, Tatum and I can't wait to be back at our fantastic school!"

Star of the week postcards

Well done to all of our pupils who have received a star of the week postcard in the post. Keep your photos coming in!













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Home Learners

Thank you to all the parents/carers for sending in some fantastic photos of your child and their amazing work they have done at home.

















Live Lessons Expectations

Please remember that the live lessons are to be treated as a normal school lesson and the same expectations are required as they are in school, it is expected that the pupils do not eat snacks whilst live lessons are taking place.

When the teacher is teaching a live lesson through "Meet" sent by a link on Google Classroom the expectations are as follows:

- 1. Children must be **appropriately dressed**.
- 2. Children must not be in bed.
- 3. All children must ALWAYS be respectful of others on the Meet and follow our ALWAYS rights.
- 4. Children should stay muted because of background noise until they want to speak.
- 5. Adults (if needed for support in EYFS/K\$1) must also be appropriately dressed.

Online Learning Timetable

We are now using Google Classroom for online learning.

Google Classroom will be where your child's live lessons will be streamed from and where their work is uploaded to. They will be expected to log onto Google Classroom at least twice daily to access their maths and English/phonics lesson during the times below. A task will also be set in the afternoon.

Maths				
9:00-9:30	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
9:30- 10:00	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
10:00-10:30	EYFS			
English/Phonics				
10:30- 11:00		Year 2	Year 3	
11:00-11:30	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
11:30-12:00	EYFS	Year 1		

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Contact Telephone Numbers



We still seem to have a number of contact details that have not been updated. Please inform the school as soon as possible so we can update your child's records – this is critical in case of emergencies. It also means you will receive important messages (e.g. learning pack collections, school information, etc.) via text message.

Congratulations!

Well done to the following children for being chosen to receive an award this week. Postcards are on the way to our stars!

Stars of the Week		Headteacher's Award Winner Christian Values	
Reception (Miss Keegan)	Darcee & Harper	Logan	
Year 1 (Miss Rigby)	Rosie & Paige E	Layla	
Year 2 (Miss Yates)	Ryley & Yahya	Mia S	
Year 3 (Mrs Moss)	Bailey & Lennon	Tilly	
Year 4 (Miss Hunt)	Cooper & Alisha	Ellesse	
Year 5 (Miss Schofield)	Riella & Ahmed	Rebecca	
Year 6 (Mrs Rourke)	Kaicey & Chelsey	Lacey-Leigh	

School closes at 3.15pm today for the half term break and online learning lessons will begin according to your usual timetable on Monday 22nd February. The children of key workers and vulnerable children will return to school on Monday 22nd February at 8.40am. Have an enjoyable week off!

Kind regards,

Mrs D Greenwood Headteacher