



St Silas

Church of England Primary Academy

A member of **CDARI**

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40 Days of Reflection -Twitter

The theme for our Collective Worship this half term is prayer and reflection. Everyday a different group of children will be posting a video or similar onto our Twitter account. They will be reflecting on our school values and vision, saying prayers from their Collective Worship or sharing some of their learning in R.E. They will also be telling you about their class charities. Please do follow us on Twitter so you do not miss out.

Icefoot92 Challenge

Lots of you will remember our former teacher Len Johnrose. He has MND and is fundraising for MND with the Icefoot Challenge 92. Elder class have chosen MND as their class charity. Members of the St Silas school family have been taking part in this challenge and posting videos on Twitter. Please do support us and MND if you are able. It was very exciting last night when Good Morning Britain (ITV) contacted us to ask if they could use the video of Mrs Hargreaves and Mrs Abbas on their show. Well done to everyone who has taken part. Keep watching our Twitter feed as several more members of staff are going to take part.

Reading Challenge

Please encourage your child to join in with our reading challenge. It is important for children to read a wide range of books. You will have seen in the national news and on Twitter that there is a push for primary schools to have a library. We are extremely fortunate to have a fabulous library. Please see our twitter feed.

Silas and Me

Please encourage your child to take part in our Silas and Me challenges. Several children have completed sufficient challenges to receive their first badge including four children who received their thankfulness badge in this morning's assembly. It would be lovely for more children to gain their badges.

Children's University

Please encourage your child to join Children's University and to join in with the activities. There are lots of activities online, especially during the holidays. The children who take part love it and really benefit from the range of activities. Children's University is an important part of our curriculum enabling children.

School Clubs

Please note most clubs have started this week. If your child has a sports club and it is not on their usual class PE day please do ensure they come to school in their PE kit on this day too! Clubs will run for 6 weeks finishing week ending 21st May.

Children's University Passports

Please do not send your child's Children's University passport in to school. Over the next week information will be sent about when they need to be handed in. A record has been kept of any activities your child has done.

Children's University Easter Challenges

If Children's University members have completed any of the Easter challenges please remember to send any evidence to Sara Burton at s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk.

Dates for the Diary

- 12/4 40 days of reflection starts on our Twitter account
- 19/4 Y5 Parents Evening by phone
- 22/4 Y6 Parents Evening by phone
- 26/4 Creative Worship Week
- 29/4 Primary futures assembly for Year 5 and 6 children
- 3rd/4 Bank holiday
- 7/5 NSPCC Number Day
- 26/5 Governors
- 28/5 School closes at 3pm

Attendance



The class with the best attendance this week is **Oak with 100% attendance**. Well done to everyone in **Oak**.

Family Point Winners

The table shows first, second, third and fourth for this week. The winning family is highlighted in yellow.

Fami ly/W eek	16. 4.2 1	23. 4.2 1	30. 4.2 1	7.5. 21	14. 5.2 1	21. 5.2 1	28. 5.2 1
Love	1						
Belo ngin g	3						
Than kfuln ess	2						
Servi ce	4						

S.A.M. Star of the Week and Sports Star of the Week

Class	S.A.M. Award	Sports Star of the Week
Hawthorn	Aafiya	
Hornbeam	Mariam	
Beech	Itunu	Amaar
Alder	Falak	Hasnain
Elder	Yusuf	Humayl
Rowan	Nouman	M. Husnain
Birch	Albia	Suhaib
Hazel	Fatima	N/A
Cherry	Khadijah	Humaira
Willow	Saira	
Oak	Haadiya	N/A
Elm	Ghazia	Hussein
Ash	Lucas	Hamzah

Twitter

Please follow our Twitter account. https://twitter.com/StSilas_Primary to keep up to date with events in our school.

COVID 19 INFORMATION

Lateral Flow Tests for Families

This is the link for information on how to get Lateral Flow Tests for your family and childcare bubble:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

Support for Self Isolation

You might be able to get a payment of £500 if you've been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace, or you're the parent or guardian of a child who has been told to self-isolate.

If you're eligible for either the Test and Trace Support Payment or a discretionary payment, you'll receive the £500 payment in addition to any benefits and Statutory Sick Pay that you receive currently.

If you've been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace because you've tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or been identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive, you're legally required to do so.

If the NHS COVID-19 app sends you a notification to self-isolate because you're a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, and you apply for the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme, you will also be legally required to self-isolate.

To support you during self-isolation, you could be eligible for a £500 Test and Trace Support Payment if you live in England and meet all the following criteria:

- you've been told to stay at home and self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or the NHS COVID-19 app, either because you've tested positive for COVID-19 or have recently been in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- you've responded to messages from NHS Test and Trace and have provided any legally required information
- you're employed or self-employed
- you're unable to work from home and will lose income as a result of self-isolating

- you're currently receiving or are the partner of someone in the same household who is receiving, at least one of the following benefits:
 - Universal Credit
 - Working Tax Credit
 - income-based Employment and Support Allowance
 - income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 - Income Support
 - Housing Benefit
 - Pension Credit

If you're not on one of these benefits, you could be eligible for a £500 discretionary payment if all the following apply:

- you meet all the other criteria listed above
- you're on a low income
- you will face financial hardship as a result of self-isolating

BwD council will tell you what counts as low income and financial hardship, and whether you're eligible.

If you're not legally required to self-isolate, but you are the parent or guardian of a child who has been told to self-isolate, you could be eligible for a £500 Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment if all the following apply:

- you're the parent or guardian of a child in your household who is self-isolating, and you need to take time off work to care for them
- your child is aged 15 or under, or aged 25 or under with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan, normally attends an education or childcare setting, and has been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by their education or childcare setting
- you're unable to work from home and will lose income because you have to care for your child while they are self-isolating
- you meet all the other eligibility criteria for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment



Loving God and each other, we work together to be the best that we can.