Warton St. Paul's CE Prímary Academy Weekly Newsletter

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What another busy week it has been for our Warton St. Paul's family. The children have been fantastic in joining our live lessons and really playing an active role in them. The staff have received some fabulous work and have been amazed by the effort and enthusiasm for the Curriculum activities. Well done! I would also like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all the staff, to say an enormous "THANK YOU" to our parents/carers and families... The way you are supporting the children and engaging with their class teachers has been phenomenal. We appreciate the difficulties you are all facing with technology and finding the time and quiet space to access the remote learning, but as many of you already have, please do not hesitate to contact us with any issues. Please remember we are here to help you in any way we can.

Have a lovely weekend!

Stay safe, Mrs Dean



William, Rayan, Eden-Rose and Aaron, Well done to you all!



Thinkyouknow (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)

<u>Internet matters</u> provides age-specific online safety checklists, guides on how to set parental control on a range of devices, and a host of practical tips to help children get the most out of their digital world

https://parentzone.org.uk/advice/parent-guides
Parent guides for the apps and services your child may have access to.

https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/

<u>Parent info</u> is a collaboration between Parentzone and the NCA providing support and guidance for parents from leading experts and organisations

<u>Childnet</u> offers a toolkit to support parents and carers of children of any age to start discussions about their online life, to set boundaries around online behaviour and technology use, and to find out where to get more help and support

LGfL (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

Net-aware (support for parents and carers from the NSPCC)

Let's Talk About It (support for parents and carers to keep children safe from online radicalisation) https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/ UK Safer Internet Centre (tips, advice, guides)

Remote Learning - from a child's view



As you know, the school has started home schooling using zoom. This is a new experience for us all, so I have written a brief summary on the matter from a child's perspective.

I was late for the first zoom lesson, as my mum didn't know how to set it up properly. I was a bit nervous at first but when I eventually got on, it was great. I had no idea what we were doing this half term, as I wasn't at school on Monday, so I didn't know what to expect, not even from the lessons. I loved how even though you are at home, you still get to see everyone like you do at school. You can still ask questions and answer them.

When my work was put on the school website on Wednesday afternoon, I felt a bit of pride. Because your work isn't usually put on the website, it feels special somehow. On Thursday, I did a video task. It felt a bit weird recording myself. When you're at school, you rarely do tasks like that, but at home you do it more. I did two in one week!

It was a bit frustrating how some people's audio was loud and some people at school you couldn't hear properly. Also, that you have to mute or un-mute yourself. But I did like that you can watch TV during lunch. You can also have whatever for lunch as well, like you can have noodles or toast.

I really enjoyed the worship on Monday. It didn't feel too different to usual, as we usually do zoom worships. I also enjoyed doing the practical tasks because they are so much fun. I really enjoyed making a clay earth:



or creating numbers out of house objects:



Overall, I have enjoyed home learning. It is different from normal school but as close as we can get to it whilst we are in a pandemic. I would like to say it has been organised really well and the transition between zoom and the normal school day has been easy. The teachers have been really good at answering questions and my mum said that they are really quick at replying.

I can't wait to get back to normal school but zoom lessons are really good at the moment -Violet, year 6