

Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary

Learning for life with God as our guide

Weekly Newsletter Friday, 19th June 2020



Message from the Headteacher

We have been pleased to welcome a few more children back to school this week into our Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 6 groups – known as bubbles.

The children have settled well into the new routines and are working hard at their learning and enjoying time with the staff and their class-mates all whilst keeping themselves safe.

There are a few pictures on the school facebook page of the children at school this week as well as Maisey-Jai's garden which she has been tending so successfully at home. Do have a look (the link is below) and keep an eye out for more pictures next week as I know Mrs Trelfer is going to be out and about with the school camera!

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-C-of-E-Primary-School-820857021275490/>

Home Learning

With just four and a half weeks of this school year left before the long summer holiday it is important that, if your child is not at school for whatever reason, they are now completing the home learning set by the teachers. As you know, this is on the school website. If you are having trouble accessing the learning, then you need to email your class teacher who will work to help you. If you need another exercise book for your child to write in, then telephone school and this will be organised.

Over and above everything else the most important thing you can do to support your child is to make sure they are keeping up with their reading. Re-read books at home, order books online or here are some places you can access free stories and books online. They are easy to use.

On this website you can also have books read to you, so you can listen and read together.

<https://readon.myon.co.uk/library/browse.html>

Visit the Kent Libraries website using the link below. Join up for free access to thousands of eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines and eNewspapers. There is also a link to the Summer Reading Challenge.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries>

Oxford Owl are also offering access to free eBooks, just follow this link, register and then have fun choosing your favourite book to read.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>

Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

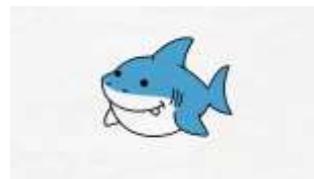
Message from the Class Teacher

Hello Sharks class,

It feels like we're really back up and running now with some Year 1 children back at school. Although there are fewer children in class, it's great to see that the progress in their learning is already happening since returning last week; with everything consistently reinforced.

Both myself and the children are adjusting well to the new routines at school and I think we're all doing fantastically. Home learning continues for you and I hope that you're finding it as useful as we are in school.

This Saturday is the Summer Solstice which is the longest day, in terms of hours of daylight, in the year. It also marks the end of Spring and the beginning of Summer, so hopefully that means lots more sunshine to come. Whatever the weather, I hope it's a good week for you. Warm regards, Mr Venning.



Thought for the Week

'May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word'.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Useful Weblinks

The Nurture store is an online collection of lessons and activities designed to be fun and easy to complete at home -

<https://nurturestore.co.uk/>

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 22nd June 2020

It's officially the start of summer so a great time to take advantage of the continued easing of restrictions and spend more time outside. There are lots of outdoor learning activities you could do or you could just use the good weather as an opportunity to get out, have fun and relax. There will be more home learning coming your way but don't feel restricted by these if you find other activities to help you learn - that's great too.