

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

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

The Week Ahead! Week commencing 22nd June 2020

Next week you will be practising your touch typing skills, creating a piece of artwork to represent your own perfect playground and learning about why plants are so important to us in Science! Enjoy!



Message from the Class Teacher

Dear Puffins,

I trust that you are all still keeping safe and well.

I hope that you have enjoyed the activities this week. I really loved going on a walk and just spending some time being silent and listening to everything around me. It made me feel very peaceful and thankful for our beautiful world- it is important to still find things to be thankful for, even during challenging times like this.

There have been a few more children joining us back at school this week. The children at school are still completing much of the same learning as those of you who are learning at home. School is still very different, but we are all trying our best to keep smiles on everyone's faces! I hope you are all still smiling too!

Stay safe and keep smiling. ☺ Miss Sayer

Useful Weblinks

ELSA support is a website that offers support for children's emotional needs, they have just posted this great resource to help children feel positive about returning to school

<https://www.elsa-support.co.uk/back-to-school-after-coronavirus-story/>

