

# Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary

Learning for life with God as our guide

Weekly Newsletter Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020



## Message from the Headteacher

Children's voices in classrooms and on the playgrounds this week has been a most welcome sound. The fact that a 'school' describes the people, not the building, has never been more apparent than in the last couple of months.

Children, staff and parents have settled well into the new routines. I thank you all for everything that you are doing to support us and your child; be that dropping off and collecting at specific times, communicating via email/telephone; supporting your child with their home learning or giving the staff a smile and thumbs up!

Mrs Trelfer has enjoyed using modern technology and has led class Collective Worship this week via Zoom with her face beamed into the classrooms. The children have enjoyed this connection with her and appreciated her singing!

No doubt you will have heard on the news this week that the Government does not believe the conditions are right for primary schools to expand further the number of children on site. Guidance has not yet been published to Headteachers; when it has I will be in a better position to clarify with you what this means for children in Years 2-5. For the time being home learning continues as currently and we are laying down plans for a return in the autumn which will best support all children and families.

As always, do please keep in touch via email/telephone and thank you for your ongoing support.

**Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher**

## Message from the Class Teacher

To All Year 6 and their families,

It was lovely to welcome some of you back to school this week, although it was very different to how school is normally. The new Year 6 teaching team all felt that it was great to have children back in school to laugh and to talk with – and do some learning too.

We all miss those of you who are staying at home and we would like to let you know that we are following much of the same learning as you are doing at home. If you are a home learner at the moment please still send me pictures of the work, or any of the activities that you have been doing, so I can show the children that are in with us.

At school we are following the social distancing rules tightly and washing our hands all the time – we hope you are doing the same when you are out and about – keep that infection away and keep safe at all times.

Keep in touch. Mrs Berbiers – [debra.berbiers@stmarysprimary.net](mailto:debra.berbiers@stmarysprimary.net)

## Thought for the Week

As we have just celebrated Trinity Sunday, Rev Melissa Carter from the Dover Town Team Ministry has kindly suggested the following passage from the Bible as this week's Thought for the Week:

'I pray that the Lord Jesus Christ will bless you and be kind to you. May God bless you with his love and may the Holy Spirit join all your hearts together'  
2 Corinthians 13:11 (CEV)



## Useful Weblinks

The children at school are loving playing on cool maths, they are playing the darts game, practising their subtraction skills.

<https://www.coolmathgames.com/>

## The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Next week we are continuing to follow iseemaths, and we will be writing character descriptions in Literacy. Our Spanish learning continues and we will be learning to say what the weather is like in Spanish. I have put two art lessons on the plans – I hope you enjoy them. Later in the week you will continue to assist the Prime Minister with running the country in PSHE.