



Christian theme: Love

God with us, Lighting the way to love & respect

MAY NEWSLETTER 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hello

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

I am delighted to tell you that some cluster sporting competitions have restarted in a safe COVID way with our cross country team competing last week. The results for Horwich Parish were fantastic with Gracie Sherbourne taking first place and Fern O'Brien second place for the girls team and Alfie Winston taking second place for the boys. A massive well done to all the children who competed, we are incredibly proud of you!

We are looking forward to entering a Gymnastics competition later this week

Intervention groups have resumed and information regarding your child's progress and attainment will be shared with you at our remote Parents evenings, this week. Please can I ask parents to ensure they make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher.

I am delighted to share with you that our school attendance continues to exceed our school target of 97%. Our school attendance in March was 98.12 and in April 97.93. I really hope this trend continues. As I mentioned in my last newsletter our school 21-22 dates are now on our school website. Please do, if you can take advantage of the extra bank holiday that we have been given next year. The Governors have agreed to tag it on to the May half term break (6 June 2022) to allow families to travel on what would usually be a school day therefore holiday prices will be slightly cheaper for those families wanting to get away. We also do not return to school after the Summer break until the 6 September which also allows families to holiday out of the peak time. I sincerely hope that families will take advantage of these times in the school diary and avoid taking the children out of school during term time, even more so in the light of the amount of schooling the children have missed this past year.

Last Friday, the children took part in Number Day and spent the day having fun with numbers, celebrating numbers and how important they are! Children and staff came to school dressed as a number for a £1 donation which will be donated to NSPCC. £4 can connect one child to Childline and £400 can connect 100 children to Childline. Pictures will be tweeted and uploaded to our website.

Thank you for your support we raised a fantastic £300.

We have our Pyjamarama Day this Friday 14 May when children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas..please be mindful of this unpredictable weather, for a donation of £1 towards the BookTrust Charity. We are also looking forward to Health week starting on the 24 May, more information to follow.

Finally, Holy Trinity Church have kindly given all the junior children in school a digital family prayer adventure map for the children to take home and share with their families.

Take care

Kindest regards

Mrs Mills

Future dates:

Please see the attached calendar of proposed events for the remainder of the Summer term

SUMMER TERM 2021

MAY	JUNE	JULY
Wk beginning 3 rd – Swimming lessons at Horwich Leisure Centre for Y5 pupils. Wk beg 10 th Parents evening by phone / TEAMS 1.30 – 5.30pm Wk. commencing 24 th - Sports/ Health week – more info to follow 14 th – Pyjama day 21 st – Robin Wood trip for 27 th – THURSDAY school closes for the half term break 28 TH STAFF TRAINING DAY – school is closed to the children.	7th- School reopens Starting 7 th – Bikeability – Y6 Week beg 7 th – Spirituality week in school 10 th – new reception children`s parent meeting 6-7pm. 23 rd – Class photo`s <i>Week beginning 17th - Structured SEN Conversations</i>	Week beginning 12 th Y6 Fiver challenge event 16th – End of term school report home to parents 19 th – 3.30-4.30 staff available to see parents - tbc (school reports) 19 th Move up day into new classes. 20 th Reception weight and height appointments 23rd - school closes for the summer break

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations are taking place this week. You will receive the link the day before and on the morning of your scheduled consultation. Please do read the support instructions that were emailed out last week. All you need to do is click on the link in the email. When prompted select continue on this browser unless you have downloaded the App for a mobile device and makes sure you allow access to your microphone. You do not need any log in details to be able to join, just the link.

Christian Aid Envelopes

Thank you to everyone who has returned their Christian Aid Envelopes. If you would still like to return one please send into school by Monday 17 May.

LFD and PCR tests - Clarification

LFD tests are the ones which staff, parents, carers and secondary pupils can do at home which give a rapid result in 20-30 minutes. Every day, rapid testing using LFD tests is helping find cases of COVID-19 that Health England wouldn't otherwise know about, breaking chains of transmission and potentially saving lives. They are an absolutely crucial way to help bring down infection rates and keep them low. It remains essential that anyone who gets a positive result from an LFD result self-isolates immediately, as must other members of their household, while they get a confirmatory PCR test within two days. If your child has ANY Covid-19 symptoms they MUST isolate and get a PCR test and not a LFD test as soon as possible and inform the school. The PCR test is more reliable when a child displays any Covid symptoms and will ensure we try and keep the school as safe as possible. Children who have Covid symptoms will be asked to take a PCR test before they return to school. We thank you for your support with this.

Belongings

Please make sure that your child remembers to bring everything they need for the school day. There has been an increase in the number of forgotten lunches, water bottles, bags and coats that have to be collected from the gate. To avoid the crossing of bubbles when delivering items to class, please check your child have what they need when they come into school. We will no longer be able to collect late belongings from the gate.

Twitter

Please check out our Twitter account @horwichparishCE we would love as many of our school families to follow our account. Keep an eye out for more updates and posts as we will be updating more regularly and sharing what the children are doing in school.

Videographer

We are in the process of planning events for our year 6 leavers. Whilst we would love to be in a position of inviting parents in to watch we are still unsure whether this will be allowed to happen. With that in mind, we are considering videoing the leaver's production. We need your help!! If you have any videography skills and you are willing to offer your services we would be very grateful! Please contact the office.