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#### **Newsletter 12-02-21**

As we approach half term, we hope that you are all keeping well and safe. Thank you for all that you have done in engaging so positively with the home learning. Staff have been working hard, teaching the children who are in fulltime, preparing the home learning and responding to the children's work and parental emails that have come in. 98% of pupils are engaging with the remote learning which is fantastic. I know the stresses and strains that this can put onto family life so a huge well done for all that you have managed to juggle and achieve. Many of us are working parents with children learning at home and we know from personal experience that these last 6 weeks have not been easy. We very much look forward to having all the children back in school when we are allowed to do so.

# PRAYER FROM THE SCHOOL CHAPLAINS LINKED TO FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

Dear Loving God

Jesus asked us to love our neighbours and care for everyone.

Just like you love us.

Help us to share our time, money and talents with others.

Help us to make a fairer and kinder world.

Amen



BAKE A DIFFERENCE - FAIRTRADE COMPETITION

MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL CHAPLAINS

Fairtrade Fortnight starts on February 22<sup>nd</sup> after half term. Over half term we are asking you to bake or cook something with at least one fair trade ingredient. Please send pictures of your creations to Lilly, Tom or Emelia at <a href="mailto:admin@st-johns-dartmouth.devon.sch.uk">admin@st-johns-dartmouth.devon.sch.uk</a>. The winners will win a fair trade treat. The closing date for sending in the pictures is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February. Good Luck form Lilly, Tom and Emelia.

# 5 MINUTE QUIET TIME AND DAILY PRAYER LINKED TO OUR SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES/WORSHIP THAT YOU CAN ACCESS AT HOME

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/034-0rig-w599p59u5-0ighn0/

We have also included a link of the website to a weekly Sunday liturgy (10-15 minutes) which we follow in school.

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/sunday-liturgy-for-families

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM AND SHOES

Please could you send in any good-quality second hand uniform including trainers and shoes that your child has grown out of. We can isolate them for 72 hours and ensure that they are put to good use.

#### HOME LEARNING PICTURES



Evie's science experiment



Alyssa's salt-dough rainbow



Austin's "Little Duck" salt-dough creations

### WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

World Book Day will be a bit different this year. The tokens are digital (one is attached with this newsletter) and can be spent at participating booksellers that are open. The voucher is valid from Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February until Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Participating booksellers will honour the tokens beyond the 28th March while stocks last. Children have the opportunity to dress-up as their favourite character. Please send in any pictures of your home-schooled children dressed up too and we will put them on the website. For the children that are in school, please don't forget your trainers as it's a sports day with Coach Ben.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Non Pupil Day –

Remote Learning will start back on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Pupils return (key worker and vulnerable children)

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Last Day of Term

Monday 19th April – Pupils return

#### GOOD WORK ASSEMBLY

Thank you to all those who have participated in the Good Work assemblies. We have been so impressed with all the home learning that has been shown.

Have a lovely half term.