



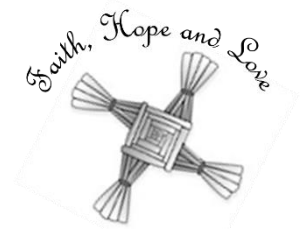
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"Love your neighbour as yourself."

Luke 10:27

10-3-21

Dear Parents/Carers,

Remote learning and return to School Survey

As the end of term approaches we have the opportunity to look back over what has been a trying period for all of us, whether in lockdown at school or at home. We have received considerable informal feedback through direct correspondence but would like to review this more formally now. I would like to thank everyone for all that you have done to support your child's learning. In school, teachers and teaching assistants worked hard to match the learning experiences on line and in school to ensure that children had access to the same curriculum opportunities. It has been a huge undertaking and learning experience. To help us further review our provision we would appreciate you taking time to answer six short questions using the link below.

[Remote Learning and Return to School Survey](#)

Celebrating reading

As part of our continuing drive to promote reading it has been great to see the children enjoying the daily reading opportunities in school whether this is listening to a class reading book or reading their own book in class. This week during our reading assemblies the teachers have shared with the children that they now have a class budget to choose additional books for their class library. This has been quite exciting to hear some of the conversations and discussions about what books to choose and why. Some class teachers have already hinted that they will need additional funds to meet all of the children's ideas!

Covid update

Thank you to all of the parents who are remembering to wear masks whilst on school grounds. It has become second nature, except on the odd occasion when we all forget. Thank you to those parents who have also informed the school that they are medically exempt from wearing face masks.

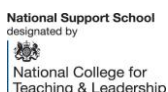
COVID updates and information about testing from the Local Authority

Changes to operating hours at Wirral's symptoms-only testing centres

Symptoms-only testing centres at Birkenhead, Bebington, Liscard and Heswall will now operate at the following times every day:

- 8am to 12 noon - available to anyone with symptoms to get tested. You can walk-in or book at www.wirral.gov.uk/test
- 12noon to 1.30pm – CLOSED
- 1.30pm to 7pm - collection point for symptom-free home testing kits only

We would like to strongly discourage parents/carers from using home asymptomatic testing kits on primary school age children. The national asymptomatic home-testing programme **currently does NOT** include younger children, as there is a far lower risk of transmission in this age group. Given the very low risk of COVID amongst this age group, putting them through the discomfort of twice weekly swab-testing (which



would also lead to a far higher percentage of void/inaccurate test results) is not advised. If a child is showing symptoms, then they should be taken to a symptomatic testing centre as per existing guidance.

SIMS Parent App Lite

The email for the SIMs App has been sent out. The app will be the way that we collect data moving forward and will mean the end to you having to complete data sheets. You will be able to update telephone numbers etc a lot more easily.

St. Bridget's Buddies over Spring Break

For four days in the Spring holiday St. Bridget's Buddies will be running child care for any parents who may find this useful. Please contact Clair Redgrift for more information.

Claire Redgrift - 07985 657 578 Email: redgriftc@stbridgets.wirral.sch.uk

Inset Days 2021-22

Wednesday 1st September 2021

Friday 22nd October 2021

Monday 1st November 2021

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Friday 27th May 2022

Your sincerely,

Neil Le Feuvre

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