

# St Anne's Church Academy @Hewish & @West Wick



Term 6 Newsletter June 12th 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has whizzed by since our lovely school shut its doors to all pupils (we did remain open at WW to some children throughout) It still feels like we still have a long way to go but as the image says, we really have come such a long way since the closure and it appears to be an improving picture .We have been kind, patient, respectful and we have adapted and learned new skills along the way. None of us knew what zoom was 12 weeks ago and now we are zooming all over the place .I for one have learned how to bake which I couldn't do before lockdown. My children have never eaten so many cakes! I am sure lots of you have learned new skills too. We are all looking forward to opening the school more widely next week as each little change feels a step closer towards 'normal' if any of us can remember what that is. We can only keep waiting for the latest guidance and adapting as we go. We are thinking and planning all the time.



Our value this term is **respect** which is a perfect value for everyone to follow at all times but particularly during this current situation. We need to respect the guidance, respect each other's feelings, anxieties and concerns, respect social distancing and respect that everything has to be different at the moment and respect that everyone is trying their absolute best.

Have a lovely weekend and as always please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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#### WIDER REOPENING From 15th JUNE

We will be welcoming back our **EYFS**, **Year 1** and **Year 6** children next week on both campuses. The staff are really looking forward to it and we have all worked hard to make the sites safe and welcoming for all.

We now have slightly staggered start and pick up times to enable us to limit numbers and adhere to social distancing guidelines.

**@Hewish - Year 6** children and the children in the **Critical worker groups** can be dropped off at 8:30am and picked up at 3:15. All gates can be used.

Year 6 children can meet in the hall.

Critical worker groups are as follows:

Yr2 children meet in the year 3 room

Y3/4/5 children meet in the year 4 room

**EYFS** and **Year 1** children can be dropped off at 8:45am and picked up at 3:00.All gates can be used. These children are in their usual classrooms.

@ WW - Year 1 children are dropped off from 8:15am at their appropriate rooms (Yr2 or Yr3 rooms) as per your text message or phone call. Pick up is 3:10pm

Children in the critical worker groups can be dropped off at 8:30am and picked up at 3:30pm

Yr2/3 children in the year 4 room

Yr4/5 children in the year 5 room

**EYFS** children can be dropped off at 8:45am and picked up at 3:00pm from their assigned classrooms as per your text. (EYFS or yr1 room)

EYFS and YR1 children at WW who have not received a text or phone call telling you which classroom and bubble your child is in, please contact the school. Please do not worry as there are lots of smiley staff on the gates to help you and your child get to the correct place on Monday.

Please help us by picking up your children at 1pm on Fridays to allow for a deep clean of the classrooms and resources.

If you have more than one child and you have multiple drop offs and pick-ups please feel free to choose one of your times and drop off and pick up all your children at the same time. Please let the school know so we can be prepared.

We are asking parents not to enter the school buildings. If possible, drop your children at the gates and staff are on hand to support children get to these rooms. If you do need to drop your children at their classrooms, please respect our social distancing measures and refrain from entering the buildings. The school offices are not open at the moment. If you need to speak to a member of the office crew, please phone or email and we will get straight back to you.

#### WHAT TO BRING



Your children do not need to wear school uniform to school but please send them with a hat as they will be spending time learning in the outside classroom. Please remember to apply sun tan cream in the morning. Your children do not need to bring bags. Children will need a packed lunch or you can order a packed lunch. Children entitled to universal free school lunches (children in

EYFS / Yr1 or Yr2) are entitled to a free school packed lunch.

Please also remember to send a water bottle into school with your children as we are unable to share cups at the moment. To encourage healthy living, we ask that children bring water in their bottles rather than squash. Unfortunately, we are not having any fruit delivered to school at the moment so we are unable to provide a morning snack for the children so if your child would like a fruit snack, please send in a piece of fruit for them to enjoy mid-morning.

#### **HOME LEARNING**



Our fantastic Home learning offer continues as it has throughout lockdown and we are very pleased to see the number of children regularly engaging with it. Bespoke learning is uploaded weekly and daily for each class on Google classroom and Tapestry. This is the same learning that children are completing if they are attending school so the curriculum offer is the same for all our children.

Please support your children in any way you can to engage with their learning. There are teachers available to check in with you and your children every day and to answer any concerns or questions you may have so please get in touch. Children have been asked to upload a specific piece of learning each week for teachers to be able to give constructive feedback. This work can be uploaded via Google classroom or emailed to teachers directly. Please support your children to upload their learning but remember to be kind to yourselves. This is a very challenging situation for everyone and many of you are juggling home learning with your own working from home. We are here to help in any way we can-contact us if you need to.

#### **PARENT ZONE**

As we continue to adapt to our increasingly virtual world, we would like to remind you and your child/ren about the importance of keeping safe online. We understand during these challenging times that as families, we are spending a lot of time on the internet via home schooling, zoom and other communication platforms to allow us to keep in contact with our loved ones.

To ensure everybody is doing this safely, we have signed up to the Parent Zone providing you free access until the **30th June.** This site will provide you with all of the important information you need relating to E-Safety as well as providing you with the opportunity to ask questions around any uncertain areas.

We are also inviting you to sign up to a free Virtual E-Safety parents evening on 18th June at 7pm. Click on the following link: <a href="https://youtu.be/HuWHat3gzTU">https://youtu.be/HuWHat3gzTU</a>

## Respect is....

Readiness to listen

**E**veryone being valued

**S**howing appreciation

**P**raying for people

Expressing opinions sensitively

Caring for our environment

**T**reating property carefully

Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.

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