ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RCP SCHOOL

Headteacher's Note

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 18th September 2020

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to welcome our new reception and nursery children into school this week for their first full week. I have been incredibly impressed with how they have settled and entered school each morning so confidently they have simply been amazing. Normally we would now be looking at beginning to pair the Reception Children with year 6 children. At the moment we will be delaying the start of our Seeds and Gardeners Programme by a few weeks as due to the current DFE guidance children from different year groups are not able to mix which makes it impossible. If we have prolonged Covid restrictions then we will try to devise a virtual way of beginning this special programme that has become like a rite of passage for the pupils in our school.

The new system of opening the gates early is working well and lots of parents have shared how pleased they are with the new system. Please can I remind parents not to come too early and not to linger once they have handed the children over. If everyone observes the one way system and exits via the Church yard it will keep everything flowing and reduce congestion.

Please do not stay on the yard to socialise with other parents once you have dropped off your children and please observe social distancing. I appreciate that after 7 months of Covid restrictions it is frustrating that the situation has not yet been resolved. It is also frustrating that Lancashire has the one of the highest infection rates in the country however if we want to improve this situation then we all need to ensure that we are fully observing the local rules that apply to us.

I am sure that you are aware of the how many local schools have had positive cases and are having to close their doors once again for their pupils. This is the very last thing I want for our children and is one of the reasons why I have implemented additional safety measures for both our pupils and staff. We are also going to great expense to provide PPE, initiated additional cleaning hours and have even bought a fogger so that areas can be fogged after cleaning with anti viral disinfectant. Please therefore support us helping to reduce the spread of the virus. Please observe social distancing both inside and outside of school and lets keep our children learning, in as safe as an environment as possible.

God Bless

Leaving Messages on the School Answering Machine

If you are leaving a message on the school answering machine please leave your child's name, year group and reason for absence. Please do not state 'unwell' as a reason for absence as we need to know the nature of the illness especially as we are in the midst of a global pandemic.

If your child is having a Covid test then they can not be in school. If a member of your family is having a COVID test then your child can not be in school as the whole family will be required to self-isolate.

GOLDEN BOOK

Year 1: Ocean Sinclair
Luke Cavanagh
Jay Willott

Year 2: Niall Duffy
Malachey Kennedy
Louisa Little

Year 3: Jack Little
Oliver Holgate
Darcey Blackledge

Year 4: Mason Pomfret
Theo Fort
Sophie Metcalfe

Year 5: Harvey Savage
Jack Laird
Oliver Stowell

Year 6: Georgie-Mae Davis
Mason Harrison
Niamh Spence



AWARDS AT ST JOHN'S

As we are now getting into the swing of things and our class routines are clearly established we are once again resuming our regular awards to celebrate and congratulate the children for their many achievements. These awards are in addition to class teacher awards that are used throughout the day in lessons.

As we are not able to meet in one room at the moment the assemblies are now virtual and web cams have been purchased for each classroom. This enables to be together as a school family to pray, share good news and celebrate achievement. Unfortunately we are still not able to sing which is something that I miss hearing.

On a Monday morning the teachers are asked to select two children for the awards of VIP and Writer of the Week.

VIP

Children are chosen to wear the VIP badge for the whole week and are given additional privileges and tasks in the classroom. They are asked to go to the front of the line as they are a good role model to their peers.

Writer of the Week

Teachers are asked to choose one child from the week previously who has impressed them for their effort or achievement in writing. This may include a range of skills, it may represent the whole week's work or even just one piece of writing that has particularly impressed them. They are then asked to wear their rosette with pride for the whole week.

Golden Book

Three children are chosen to be entered into the Golden Book from each class each month. The children are selected for a range of achievements. These can range from behaviour, attitude, effort and achievement. The children also get to wear their golden book badge for the following week.











Calling all Year 6 parents…Secondary School Admissions Application Deadline 31st October 2020

Please put 3 choices down as no-one can guarantee you will get your first choice. St John's is very lucky to be a feeder school to two Catholic High Schools. Usually at this time of year we would invite both schools into St John's to do a presentation for our Year 6 parents to help them in making their final choice of secondary school for their child and to assist them with the process of application. As both St Augustine's and Blessed Trinity are Catholic schools you will **need to submit a supplementary faith form to both schools in addition to completing your online application.**

ST Augustine's Billington

Please use the link below to navigate you to St Augustine's website. Here you will find information about admission arrangements for this year as well as the supplementary form which can also be completed and returned electronically. The website will be updated shortly with further virtual open evening resources.

https://www.sarchs.com/parents/admissions

Blessed Trinity College, Burnley

Please use the link for our Blessed Trinity's Admissions section

http://www.btrcc.lancs.sch.uk/index.php/admission-arrangements

There is also a virtual tour of the school on the following link https://blessed-trinity-rc-college--a-voluntary-academy.vr-360-tour.com/e/NgUBcsMrMhA/e?hidelive=true&show_thumbnails=true

The website will be updated with further details of the our virtual open evening in due course.

For Secondary and Primary places, please ensure you complete all three choices as you cannot be guaranteed your first choice and would then be allocated any available school, not the nearest!

Calling all parents of three year olds

Apply now for your child's school place for September 2021



Student Council



Congratulations to the following pupils who have been nominated by their friends as school councillors, Well done! This is a great honour to be chosen as their class representative.

At the present time they will be working slightly differently to councillors in previous years as pupils from different year groups are not able to meet. I am sure they will rise to this additional challenge as they begin their term of office. A virtual assembly was held in school on Friday and school councillors were awarded with their badges.

Mass Times

Sunday Masses are still suspended at this time due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Fr Allen is now doing some week day masses for Parishioners



St John the Baptist RC Church
Tuesday 22nd September at 6pm
Friday 25th September 10am

St Augustine's RC Church
Wednesday 23rd September 6pm

St Mary Magdalene's RC Church
Thursday 24th September at 7pm





Check out our NEW MENU

At St John the Baptist we value parental feedback in these ever changing times. In response to school meal feedback we have made changes to the lunch time menu on offer at school. This has resulted in a new menu being published which will start on MONDAY 21st September. The menu now incorporates more information about each Grab Bag on offer, including dessert. We have been able to add more hot choices and include the "Hello Autumn" Day on the 1st October. It has been challenging catering for three separate sittings with three classes eating their meals in their classroom!

For parents who have already chosen meals beyond this week, you will, unfortunately, need to add your choices again via Parentpay.

The menu will not change again until after October half term, when the Winter menu will be published. We will share this with you nearer the time. We thank you for your understanding during the pandemic. Our aim is to get the kitchen running to full capacity as soon as possible.

In order to receive a school meal, it MUST be booked through the ParentPay system by midnight the day before.

Week commencing 21 September 2020 (Cycle week 1)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grab Bag 1				
BBQ Chicken Wrap, Potato Wedges, Veg Sticks, Chocolate Muffin	Hot Dog and Ketchup, Hash Browns, Corn on the Cob, Homemade Biscuit	Hot Roast Beef Barmcake and Yorkshire Pudding, Fruit, Raspberry Bun	Ham and Cheese Panini Melt, 2 Hash Browns, crunchy salad, Cookie	Jumbo Fish Finger Wrap, Chunky Chips, Salad, Dessert of the day
Grab Bag 2				
Ham Wrap, Veg Sticks, crisps, fruit, Chocolate Muffin	Ham Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, salad pot, fruit, Homemade Biscuit	Tuna Sandwich, Veg sticks, crisps, Fruit, Raspberry Bun	Ham Finger Roll, Crunchy salad, Tortilla Chips, fruit, Cookie	Homemade Pizza, Chips, Salad, Dessert of the day
Grab Bag 3				
Cheese Sandwich, Veg Sticks, crisps, fruit, Chocolate Muffin	Cheese Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, salad pot, fruit, Homemade Biscuit	Cheese Sandwich, Veg sticks, crisps, Fruit, Raspberry Bun	Cheese Finger Roll, Crunchy salad, Tortilla Chips, fruit, Cookie	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Salad Pot, Fruit Dessert of the day





Week commencing 28 September 2020 (Cycle week 2)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grab Bag 1				
Homemade Cheddar Cheese Whirl, Potato Wedges, Corn on the Cob, Cupcake	Chicken Goujon Wrap Hash Browns, Salad Pot, Chocolate Cookie	Hot Dog Roll and Ketchup, Veg Sticks, Crisps, Fruit, Dessert of the day	HELLO AUTUMN DAY - British Beef Burger in a Bun, Crispy Fries, Crunchy Salad Sticks, Sticky Toffee Apple Cupcake	Homemade Pizza, Chunky Chips, Corn on the Cob, Jam Doughnut
Grab Bag 2				
Ham Wrap, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Cupcake	Ham Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Salad Pot, Fruit, Chocolate Cookie	Tuna Wrap, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day	HELLO AUTUMN DAY - Veggie Burger in a Bun, Crispy Fries, Crunchy Salad Sticks, Sticky Toffee Apple Cupcake	Fish Fingers, Chunky Chips, Corn on the Cob, Jam Doughnut
Grab Bag 3				
Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Cupcake	Cheese Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Salad Pot, Fruit, Chocolate Cookie	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day	HELLO AUTUMN DAY - Hot Dog in a Bun, Crispy Fries, Crunchy Salad Sticks, Sticky Toffee Apple Cupcake	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Jam Doughnut

Week commencing 05 October 2020 (Cycle week 3)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grab Bag 1				
Meatball Sub and Cheese Melt, Hash Browns, Cucumber Sticks, Homemade Biscuit	Cheddar Cheese Panini Melt, Chunky Wedges, Crunchy Salad Pot, Chocolate Cake	Hot Roast Chicken and Gravy Barmcake, Yorkshire Pudding, Fruit, Dessert of the day	Sausage Roll, Hash Browns, Fruit, Butterfly Bun	Homemade Pizza, Chips, Veg Sticks, Dessert of the day
Grab Bag 2				
Ham Wrap, Crisps, Cucumber Sticks, Fruit, Homemade Biscuit	Ham Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Crunchy Salad Pot, Fruit, Chocolate Cake	Tuna Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day	Ham Wrap, Tortilla Chips, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Butterfly Bun	Fish Fillet, Chunky Chips, Veg Sticks, Dessert of the day
Grab Bag 3				
Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Cucumber Sticks, Fruit, Homemade Biscuit	Cheese Finger Roll, Tortilla Chips, Crunchy Salad Pot, Fruit, Chocolate Cake	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day	Cheese Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Butterfly Bun	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day



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Week commencing 12 October 2020 (Cycle week 4)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grab Bag 1				
BBQ Chicken Wrap, Potato Wedges, Veg Sticks, Chocolate Muffin	Hot Dog and Ketchup, Hash Browns, Corn on the Cob, Homemade Biscuit	Hot Roast Beef Barmcake Yorkshire Pudding, Fruit, Raspberry Bun	Ham and Cheese Panini Melt, 2 Hash Browns, Crunchy Salad, Cookie	Jumbo Fish Finger Wrap, Chunky Chips, Salad, Dessert of the day
Grab Bag 2				
Ham Wrap, Veg Sticks, Crisps, Fruit, Chocolate Muffin	Ham Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Salad Pot, Fruit, Homemade Biscuit	Tuna Sandwich, Veg Sticks, Crisps, Fruit, Raspberry Bun	Ham Finger Roll, Crunchy Salad, Tortilla Chips, Fruit, Cookie	Homemade Pizza, Chips, Salad, Dessert of the day
Grab Bag 3				
Cheese Sandwich, Veg Sticks, Crisps, Fruit, Chocolate Muffin	Cheese Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Salad Pot, Fruit, Homemade Biscuit	Cheese Sandwich, Veg Sticks, Crisps, Fruit, Raspberry Bun	Cheese Finger Roll, Crunchy Salad, Tortilla Chips, Fruit, Cookie	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Salad Pot, Fruit, Dessert of the day

Week commencing 19 October 2020 (Cycle week 5)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grab Bag 1				
Homemade Cheddar Cheese Whirl, Potato Wedges, Corn on the Cob, Cupcake	Chicken Goujon Wrap, Hash Browns, Salad Pot, Chocolate Cookie	Hot Dog Roll and Ketchup Veg Sticks, Crisps, Fruit, Dessert of the day	Half Term	Half Term
Grab Bag 2				
Ham Wrap, Tortilla Chips, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Cupcake	Ham Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Salad Pot, Fruit, Chocolate Cookie	Tuna Wrap, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day		
Grab Bag 3				
Cheese Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Cupcake	Cheese Sandwich, Tortilla Chips, Salad Pot, Fruit, Chocolate Cookie	Cheese Sandwich, Crisps, Veg Sticks, Fruit, Dessert of the day		

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NHS
Humber Teaching
NHS Foundation Trust

WHAT MAKES ME A CONTACT?

The NHS Test Track and Trace programme is a central part of the government's coronavirus recovery strategy. Anyone with symptoms will be tested and their close contacts will be traced. If you have been in close contact with someone who tests positive you must isolate for 14 days even if you have no symptoms.

CONTACT



Face-to-face contact with someone who is **LESS THAN TWO METRES** away from you for more than 15 minutes wearing a mask only

NO CONTACT



Staggering of breaks with no sharing of any communal condiments and remaining **MORE THAN TWO METRES** apart

CONTACT



Face-to-face contact with a person **WHO TALKS/SPITS/COUGHS** into your face whilst wearing a mask only

NO CONTACT



Face-to-face contact with someone who was **TWO METRES OR MORE** away wearing a mask

CONTACT



Face-to-face contact with someone who is **LESS THAN ONE METRE** away from you for more than a minute whilst wearing a mask only

NO CONTACT



Face-to-face contact wearing **FULL PPE FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME** and at any distance

CONTACT



Travelling in a small vehicle with someone **WITHOUT FULL PPE**