



All Saints' and Needwood Church of England Primary Schools

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Friday 22nd January 2021



"For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it, if only we're brave enough to be it."

Amanda Gorman

ALL SAINTS

Class 1 School - Iyla for diligence and progress with writing. You are consistently applying phase 3 phonics to your writing. Well done.

Home - Noah for continuing to be motivated to learn even when you have not been in school. Well done!

Class 2 School - Andrew for Superb concentration and listening so well all week in class and during our live English and phonics lessons. You produced an amazing lion fact sheet and independently segmented words so well, to enable you to write them correctly. Well done, we are so proud!

Home Evelyn for keeping focussed and working so hard at home. You produced a lovely sloth fact file in English, worked well on habitats in science and listened carefully, adding 'er' to the spelling words. Well done!

Class 3 School - Oliver S for trying his best and developing his resilience whilst completing work electronically. He now listens to his feedback carefully and uses this to improve his work. Well done Oliver!

Home - Caitlin for her growth in confidence during our live lessons. She works hard, consistently challenges herself to complete the go deeper tasks and carefully checks her work before sending it in. Well done!

Class 4 School - Isabelle for showing brilliant creativity when tackling learning tasks and asking for help when you need it. From artwork, to quizzes you are throwing yourself into all the lessons and making learning fun and successful.

Home - James - for an outstanding piece of history work, brilliantly researched and presented to engage the reader, provide new information and be great fun to read. Well done.

Jessica - for incredible effort in every single piece of home learning. We miss you in school but your learning (and independent skills too) are fantastic and we know you continue to work hard and get better in every subject every day. Well done.

NEEDWOOD

Class 1 School - Maisie for showing great determination in her subtraction work, as well as showing her working on a number line. Well done Maisie!

Home - Evie for working incredibly hard on her learning at home. She brings her smiley face to all live lessons, makes super contributions and then puts so much effort into her work that she sends us on Seesaw. Well done Evie!

Class 2 School - Abigail P for showing determination and perseverance in all her work. She edits, improves and responds to feedback until she is satisfied she has produced her best.

Home - Effie G for her excellent contributions to our live lessons, Effie has listened carefully and produced some fantastic pieces of writing.

Class 3 School - Destiny - For her cheerful attitude toward her learning. Even when tasks are challenging, Destiny gives her absolute best effort and this is helping her make super progress.

Home - Issy P - For her willing and enthusiastic contributions during live lessons, and her consistently high standard of work on Seesaw. Well done for all your hard work Issy!

THIS WEEK IN FOCUS

At the end of week 3 you are all doing amazingly and we are all going from strength to strength. I realise everyone is tired, staff, children and families alike and know that this is a pattern, which we will overcome for the final stretch! So well done for all you are all doing. Additionally, feedback we have received is, there is a LOT of screen time for all children in school and at home. We have had a little research and have seen that some schools are having screen free days. We have decided to have 2 screen free days (apart from Friday worship where we can all join up) on

“The only way to make sense out of change is to plunge into it, move with it, and join the dance.”

— ALAN WATTS

Friday 29th January & Friday 12th February.

We attach a document for our **Fresh Air and Freedom Friday** with 50 differing activities for your child to choose from throughout the day. They include helpful things for you and of course you can supplement with your own! Additionally, the final Friday is also the nearest day for us for pancake races so we will hold those in our bubbles in school and link live to home so hopefully your child can join in! Even if it's a piece of round paper and a pan! More details to follow nearer the time.



We hope that you have a lovely weekend and see you next week!
Mrs C Gethin and Ralph.

GOVERNORS MEETING

We are thrilled to have a full complement of Governors with a skill set that covers all of our skills / areas of responsibility needs, this is wonderful! Governors read the forest of paperwork (virtually) and had a full range of questions for senior leaders prior to the meeting. Additionally Gareth Moss, the Trust chair, attended. It was an incredibly positive meeting and the outcomes and provision for our children and families are impacted on due to their excellent work, I thank them for their hard work and time they give voluntarily.

On behalf of the Local Governing Body, I would like to add our thanks to all the teaching and support staff across the family for their continued hard work throughout such challenging times. It is evident from the increased number of children coming in to school, that parents feel confident and assured that their children are kept safe and well within their bubbles and we are grateful that excellent learning provision is available for all children in school and at home and children are still progressing well. **Mrs Selena Tye**

MRS LITTLEWOOD AND TEMPORARY LUNCHTIME POSITION

We are thrilled to notify you that Mrs Littlewood is pregnant and as such will be finishing, hopefully, for the Easter holidays ready to take her leave. We therefore have a vacant post from 19th April 2020 (or maybe prior to Easter should Mrs Littlewood need it). We are therefore advertising the post in the forthcoming months and I wanted to let you know in case you were interested and wanted to discuss this position. We will be advertising from 12th February with a closing date of 5th March and so this gives you time to explore options. Do let me know if you are interested in this position which will run until July in the first instance. Thank you.



INTERNATIONAL DAYS

As parents are aware, we have linked with schools in Uganda and Kenya, had a wonderful international week studying Uganda - in September, celebrated international children's day in December and, have written to our link schools.

What next!

Firstly, we have planned **4 more international days** which include activities that we can share with our partner schools across the globe. The first starts with World Book Day – watch this space!

Secondly, we are having a language of the term which we will immerse ourselves in daily! In order to enhance our ethos of celebrating difference and diversity and the fundamental British values 'Mutual Respect and Tolerance' we have selected a language significant to our schools (either as they are pertinent to our links with Uganda or are the languages spoken by the children in our schools). We will develop displays in school which share our work too.

We hope you like and enjoy.

WHAT A CHILDCARE BUBBLE IS

A childcare bubble is where one household links with one other household to provide informal childcare to anyone under 14. All adults in both households must agree to this arrangement. 'Informal' childcare means it is unpaid and unregistered.

Members of either household can provide childcare in a home or public place. This includes overnight care.

You can only have one childcare bubble with one other household. This means no household should be part of more than one childcare bubble.

You can only use a childcare bubble for childcare. You cannot use a childcare bubble to mix with another household for other reasons.

If you form a childcare bubble, it's best if this is with a household who live locally. This will help prevent the virus spreading from an area where more people are infected.

How childcare bubbles relate to support bubbles

A childcare bubble is different to a [support bubble](#). Being in a childcare bubble does not stop you from forming a support bubble [if you are eligible](#). You must avoid seeing members of your childcare and support bubbles at the same time.

Changing a childcare bubble

You may change your childcare bubble provided that:

- at least one person in the proposed new childcare bubble is under the age of 14
- neither household is part of a separate childcare bubble which they intend to remain a part of.

If you decide to change your childcare bubble, you should treat your previous bubble as a separate household for 10 days before forming a new bubble. You should not provide childcare as if you are in a bubble during this period.

If someone in your previous childcare bubble develops symptoms or tests positive for coronavirus up to 48 hours after members of the bubble last met, all members of the bubble must [self-isolate for 10 days](#). You must not form a new bubble until you have completed your self-isolation.



ALERT CARD - For diagnosed young people and adults (over 13 years)

The Autism Alert Card is a plastic card (bank card size), recognised by West Midlands, West Mercia, Warwickshire, Staffordshire and British Transport Police. It alerts security services and other people in authority that the individual is autistic and may have communication difficulties, become anxious and need additional support. For more information please click on the following link -

[Autistic Person Alert Cards | Autism West Midlands](#)








Virtual Coffee Morning for Mental Wellbeing

9:30am-10:30am
Every other Monday,
Next meeting on January 25th

Join us on Zoom for an informal tea and talk session, where you will have a safe space to chat about all things mental health and wellbeing and also meet new people




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**To register your interest,
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Do you feel like you have been impacted by COVID-19?

If you live in South Staffordshire and feel like your mental health and wellbeing has been affected by the pandemic, we are here to support you.

YESS will be offering free one-to-one support, group sessions and online support via our social media platforms.



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**KS2 - ENTRUST MUSIC
DIGITAL REHEARSALS**
Details were sent out to KS2 parents
yesterday via Parentmail

BACT - VACANCY FOR EDUCATION AND EMPLOYABILITY COACH

Application forms are available from <http://burtonalbioncommunitytrust.co.uk/job-vacancies/> To apply for this role, please send a completed application form to: bactvacancies@burtonalbionct.org

Or via post to: Vacancies
Burton Albion Community Trust
Pirelli Stadium
Princess Way
Burton on Trent
Staffs DE13 0AR

For further information regarding the role please email : sarah.evans@burtonalbionct.org. Closing date for applications: Midnight 14th February 2021



MESSAGE FROM REV LES

" With regret I've decided upon closure of all churches for Sunday worship in the Benefice from the present day until early March.

The Bishop of Lichfield has given permission for such closure and we've had a message from the local Director of Health, urging the utmost care.

We can readily change the decision if there is a significant change in the risk of infection from the virus.

We will do our best to update people of any changes.

Importantly, whilst our churches will be closed, our ministry is still available to anyone in need of help and our prayer ministry will continue at all times. Please just make contact if you know of a particular need.

This decision has been made following consultation with our Church Council members."
Les.

Romans 12:12

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.



Disclaimer: We are proud to have a newsletter which shares information with you for our parish, village, WI, social club, Rascals and our local communities. We do try to vet all items which go into school bags and unless you are notified, are not paid to provide this information. We do not necessarily endorse and we cannot be held responsible for the validity or content of external information.

