

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Inspiring everyone to **R.E.A.C.H** through Faith, Hope, Love

Monday 18th May 2020

Another week has flown by and we continue to keep all of our families in our thoughts and prayers. We know that times can be really challenging for some, but please remember you are not alone-pick up the phone and talk!

Thank you once again, for the continuous support by sharing your 'tweets' with us and sharing what you are spending your time doing! All of the staff and I have been so impressed with how well the children and families are getting on with 'home learning' and the children continue to make me smile!

As always, I am forever grateful for all 'key workers' who; continue to ensure that we are cared for when needed, look after the elderly, collect our bins, serve us in the supermarkets, deliver food and other necessities, those who work in education and anybody else who continues to ensure that life can carry on in this new 'norm.' We must keep all of the frontline staff and key workers in our thoughts and prayers. Equally, we must pray for the government. Regardless of any political view we have, we must put our trust in them, scientific advisors and all who are working hard to try to move us, as a nation, forward. As I am sure you are aware, schools and Early Years settings have been provided with guidance so that school leaders can plan for a phased return for YR, Y1 and Y6, as well as maintain provision for key worker's children. I would like to thank all of our parents, who have responded swiftly to our communication about this, so that I can now plan for our children and staff to return. Their safety and well-being is at the forefront of all planning which is paramount for us to be able to begin to reopen the school more widely. I will be in communication with you regarding what this will look like once it is completed. Equally, as ALL staff will be retuning to school, this will impact on what 'home learning' will look like for children that remain at home. Further details will be provided once this has been carefully planned.



Our team of staff have identified the following children for their super duper efforts! Well done to all!!



Year 4—These children have been REACHing in all they do!

For our God Matters work, **Maya, Amelia and Toby** used Lego to build a church which included key details. **Emily** used Sylvanian Families to create her own church.

Francesca and **Charlie** took some excellent photographs for their topic work.

Harry G designed a fantastic VE medal and produced a thoughtful and detailed explanation about his design. **Jack** also created a great VE medal which was very colourful and included key details.

Reuben completed a science experiment and drew a brilliant diagram and explained what happened.

It has been lovely to see the children working with their siblings at home.

Year 1—**Tansy, Nicholas, Freya** – For being really motivated this week to be the best they can be.

Rory, James, Abigail – Designing and building amazing bug hotels.

Megan, Tansy, Orla – Setting high expectations for yourself while work independently.

Bertie, Henry, Nia – Exploring your artistic skills this week while drawing the different shapes and sizes of leaves.

Megan, Douglas – For excellent reading this week and moving up a book band.

Year 2—**Amelia, Rosie, Rosalie, Harmony, Imogen, Pippa, Georgia** – writing fabulous letters to our MP!

Lauren – writing a fabulous letter to Miss Jones.

Year 3—**Sophia A** for working really hard at home and doing some fantastic science work. **Safia** for doing so well on mymaths and bugclub and working very hard with Mum and Dad. **Ava** for persevering with her work and doing an amazing job of working so hard. **ALL the children in Year 3 who have enjoyed making shadow puppets and sent me their lovely photos of them working hard on their science.**

YEAR 5

Niamh - for sharing with me an array of outstanding pieces of work and truly giving 110% in all that she does!

Emily - for pushing herself in regard to every piece of work and working as a team with her brother in our PSHE lesson.

Claudia, Leo, Isabel, Oscar, Caleb, Samuel, Naomi and Laila - for sharing spectacular self-portraits with me, they were all so very creative and inspiring!

Kobe - for showcasing his computing and research skills in a wonderful piece of work in relation to renewable energy.

Rose - for including me in her own reading challenge, whereby she is aiming to read 1 book a week during lockdown. Who else is going to join her in this feat? (**MRS B may ☺☺☺**)

Molly - for sending in a whole host of wonderful pieces of work, striving to be the best she can be!

Elsa - for continually inspiring her family to get involved with our home learning tasks and updating me with all the fantastic things she does.

Pippa and Amelia - always sharing wonderful pieces of work with me, REACHing for the stars and never settling for less than their best!

Year 6—**Emilia** for her amazing attention to detail in our History work this week.

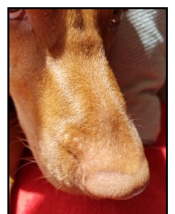
Holly and Posy for being so conscientious and completing lots of extra research for PSHE.

Prudence for using Grayson Perry to inspire her Greek vase in History

Ayla for having a SATS week at home and achieving amazing results in her tests.

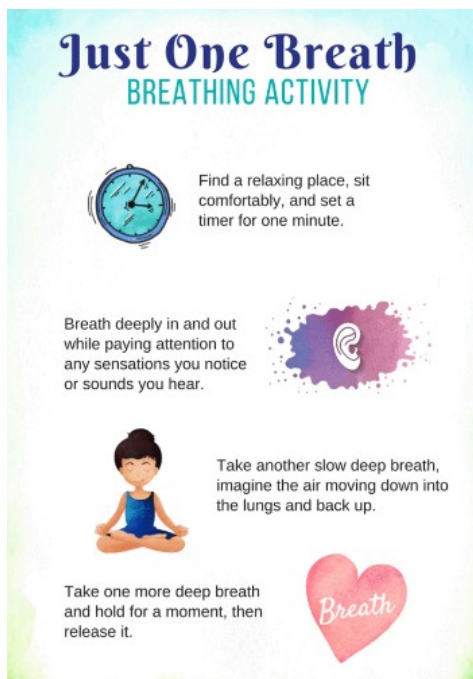
Reception

Finlay, Edward, Isaac and Ellianna consistently sending in fantastic work.





Mindfulness



Quiz Time— from Mrs Gwyer!

Happy Families

Can you put these animals into their families?

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| 1. Bull | Pen | Kid |
| 2. Cock | Sow | Gosling |
| 3. Dog | Queen | Fawn |
| 4. Ram | Hind | Cygnets |
| 5. Stag | Jill | Chick |
| 6. Gander | Ewe | Piglet |
| 7. Cob | Nanny | Calf |
| 8. Buck | Bitch | Lamb |
| 9. Drake | Mare | Puppy |
| 10. Boar | Goose | Fawn |
| 11. Tom | Cow | Duckling |
| 12. Billy | Hen | Kitten |
| 13. Stallion | Duck | Kid |
| 14. Jack | Vixen | Foal |
| 15. Dog Fox | Doe | Cub |

N. B. Some young have the same names
—ANSWERS NEXT WEEK



Riddle me This!

(Back by popular demand!!)

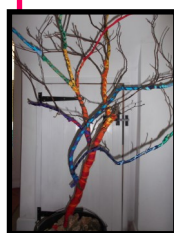
What will stop water running down a hill?

If you have me, you want to share me. If you share me, you no longer have me.

What am I?

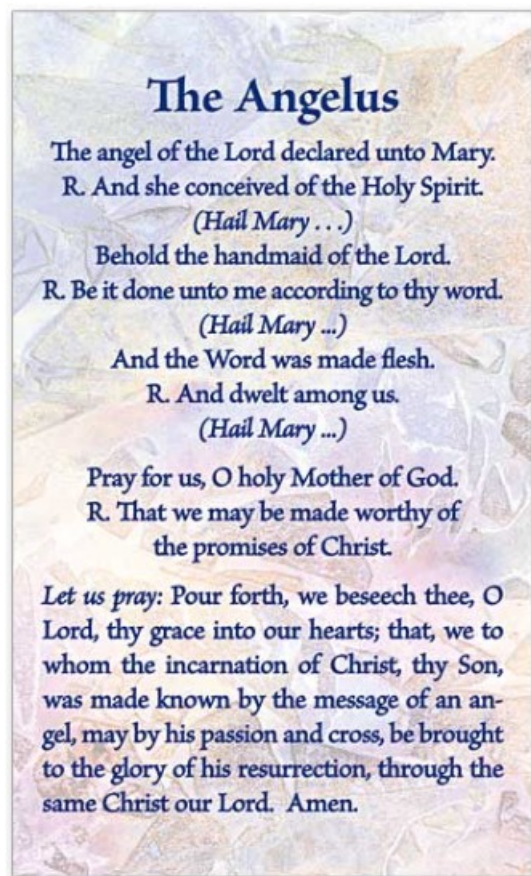
School will be displaying a tree of hope and gratitude in the village bus shelter, to bring school, church and village communities together.

Children are invited to email messages of hope or gratitude and we will hang them on the tree or where able, if you live in the village make something that can be hung.



The Angelus is a Catholic prayer that is said three times a day, commemorating the incarnation of Our Lady.

Why don't you and your family pray this, during the rest of the month of May?



Well done Team St. Jo's!
Continue to shine in all that you do! Be safe and keep well!

With love and prayers from Mrs D'Arcy

And all of the team at St Joseph's!

