



Bishop William Ward C of E Primary School Newsletter

Happy, respectful, lifelong learners

'I have come so that they may have life, and have it in all its fullness' John 10:10

23rd
October
2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you received the email earlier this week regarding the new drop off and collection arrangements for after half term. For some classes this will mean a slightly different start and finish time and the place that parents collect their children from has changed for most classes. As with any change, we know there will be a few teething problems, but we will be there to help and I am sure a new routine will establish itself for everybody. Please also note that we are asking for adults to **wear face coverings** when dropping off/collecting and that **only one adult** per family accompanies the children. Thank you!



It's been 'Superheroes Day' in Foundation Stage today! The children have had great fun – thank you for all your efforts helping with the dressing up.



Thank you for your kind donations towards **Colchester Food Bank** over the past few weeks - we have filled the display in the hall! I will be taking it over to the Food Bank during half term.



Children in the Gold Book this week:

Foundation: Jorgie

Year 1: Mylah

Year 2: Zach

Year 3: Alice

Year 4: Bethany

Year 5: Beth

Year 6: Ronan



We have now got poppies in school, so children can bring in money to buy a poppy, wrist band or key ring.



Congratulations to Max, winner of the KS2 Achievement Cup for October. KS1 to be announced after half term!

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

We will be sending out 'sign-up sheets for the Parent/Teacher meetings after half term. We will be asking you to book a slot for a phone conversation on the following dates in November:

Foundation: 18th 4.30-7pm, 24th 3.30-6pm

Year 1: 17th 3.30-6pm, 24th 4.30-7pm

Year 2: 19th 3.30-6pm, 24th 4.30-7pm

Year 3: 17th 3.30-6pm, 23rd 4.30-7pm

Year 4: 16th 4.30-7pm, 19th 3.30-6pm

Year 5: 12th 3.30-6pm, 23rd 4.30-7pm

Year 6: 9th 4.30-7pm, 12th 3.30-6pm



It's the stuff of teenagers' nightmares – we have suffered with **no wifi** in school this week! You may have noticed a drop off in Class Dojo posts as a result of this. We are working on getting it back and should be up and running after half term.

Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

Thank you to the people who responded about looking through our draft RSE policy. We would love to have a few more parent views on this, so please email the office if you would like to be involved. When we have a bigger group, we will email the policy out and ask for views to come in via email.



Please make sure you have set up your **children's log-ins** for Class Dojo. This is what the QR code that came out last week is for. You also received a message on Class Dojo, so you can follow the link to set up the log-in. It is vital that you have this set up, so that your child can switch to remote learning quickly if the situation should arise.

Year 6 have been having great fun in their Forest School club sessions:



FORMS/LETTERS

Please remember to send any forms, trip money or letters into school via your children rather than coming into the office. Thank you

YEAR 6 PARENTS

Please make sure that you get your secondary school applications completed by 31st October.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place>

It has certainly been an interesting term. Thank you so much for your co-operation and support and well done to your fabulous children, who have taken to the new rules and expectations with ease. I hope that you all have a lovely time over the half term break. See you on **Tuesday November 3rd**.

Mr Bull