Adel St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Headteacher's Message

You will now be aware of the news regarding the government's plan for all year groups to return in September. It will be wonderful to invite all the children back – it has been an extremely difficult time for everyone and we can't wait until ALL the children are together again. Obviously, we still have a lot of work to do before all this happens. There are many, many things to consider and implement to ensure everyone returns feeling safe and happy.

Presently, I am still in discussions with the authority around health and safety matters and analysing the public health advice that arrived yesterday. This details a system of controls building on those that have already been in place throughout this pandemic. Today, Headteachers in Leeds met with a health professional to answer questions and clarify understanding of the virus within a school setting. All this information will form part of a revised risk assessment and protocol sheet drawn up for the full opening of school. I will endeavour to get these to you as soon as possible but in the meantime please bear with us.

Teaching positions

I can confirm that each teacher will remain in the same classroom next year, *confirmation below*. As Miss Griffin continues with her maternity leave, Miss Riches will now work full-time in Year 1 to ensure continuity.

Reception – Mrs Quinn
Year 1 – Miss Riches
Year 2 – Mr Routledge
Year 3 - Miss White
Year 4 – Mrs Ventress / Miss Dakin
Year 5 – Miss Jackson

Year 6 – Mrs Fountain

I can appreciate that parents will have lots of questions regarding assessment and addressing the gaps in children's core knowledge after being away from school. Again this will be addressed in due course and information given out.

Learning this week

The theme for our learning this week has been all about the Olympics. As the Olympics would have been held this year in Tokyo, we thought it would be a great opportunity to find out more about the event. We hope you enjoyed the video of the High Diving Giraffes and have enjoyed being news reporters, either for this event or another Olympic event of your choice. When speaking to some of you on the phone, I heard about some very inventive ideas for events - somersaulting sausage dogs was a favourite! Hopefully, you've found out more about the history of the event too including the message of peace



brought by the Olympic Torch in Ancient Greek times. Don't forget to send your teacher a picture of something you've enjoyed or are proud of from this weeks' learning.

Miss White

More winners

Last week we mentioned that Raquel had won a place in an eBook for her fantastic story entry in the Rainbow Factory competition last month, which had over 90 entries! Since then, we have been informed that Raquel is just one of several superstar writers in our school, as if we didn't know that already! So we would also like to congratulate the following children for stories which impressed the judges due to their creativity, imaginative plots and great writing skills.

Alex in Year 1 James in Year 1 Zoe in Year 2 Matilda in Year 3 Micah in Year 3 Raquel in Year 5

Annie in Year 6

Well done, everyone! We are very proud of you and Mrs Fountain is envious you have made it to being published authors before her! I'm sure everyone is looking forward to reading your stories when we get a copy of the eBook at school.

Dear God
God of all,
We thank you for
events like the Olympic
Games, where many
nations can gather
together in peace and
unity.
May the Lord of peace
himself give us peace
at all times and in
every way,

Amen.

End of Year Reports

These will be emailed to parents during the week beginning 13th July. A mobile app message giving information regarding the format and content will be sent next week.

Reception children 2020

To confirm the information added to our website to support your child's transition into school is complete. To remind new parents this can be found in the Parent Information folder – Reception intake 2020. The activities listed can be completed and returned in the autumn. Information about the transition days in September will be sent out separately as part of the information around whole school opening.

Thank you and have a lovely weekend Jane Hainsworth