

Adel St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Learning this week

We've come to the end of another great themed week where we've seen and heard of some super learning about Amazing Africa! Africa certainly is an amazing place, full of nature, wildlife and culture! I hope you all enjoyed the meerkat video this week and were inspired by the determination and teamwork skills displayed... maybe give the acrobatics a miss though! I am sure you have enjoyed researching and putting together your leaflets and from the ones I've heard about, I'm impressed with the range of animals chosen and I'm sure you've created some equally impressive artwork! Your teachers would love to see your favourite pieces of work by email or on Twitter if you have permission from a parent! So now there is just one more themed week to go before the summer so good luck with it and happy learning, but have a lovely weekend first.

Mrs Fountain



As we are coming to the end of term next week, our online learning provision will be coming to an end for the summer. However, we recognise that for some families, the summer holidays will seem longer than usual due to the time the children have been away from school already and may like some help with activities to keep minds active and entertained during the next few weeks. With that in mind, we have put together a mixture of learning activities and fun challenges for you to access on the home learning link, *should you wish to use them.* There is a range of English and maths tasks as well as some well-being, RE, science and craft activities. There is also a document with some useful links including for the Summer Reading Challenge – *details below*, which is going online for 2020, and Oak Academy, which is continuing its provision for families over the summer.

Please note, none of these tasks are compulsory and children will not be asked to hand them in next term. The range will not be added to during the holidays but we hope there is plenty to keep the children busy if required.

Dear God

Teach us to be thoughtful and kind like Jesus. Lord of the loving heart, may mine be loving too. Lord of the gentle hands, may mine be gentle too. *Lord of the willing* feet, may mine be willing too. So may I grow to be more like you in all I say and do. Amen.

Transition picnic

A mobile app message has been sent out this week inviting your child to a class picnic with their teacher. To ensure the safety of children and staff on site we ask that you read and follow it carefully. This is a short social event and we are keeping our fingers crossed that the weather is fine.

Summer reading challenge

Normally at this time of year librarians from Leeds Libraries visit school to promote the Summer Reading Challenge. Things are very different for everyone this year BUT the Summer Reading Challenge is still going ahead.... online.





This year's reading challenge from The Reading Agency will celebrate funny books, happiness and laughter. Children taking part in the challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck in to all different kinds of funny books! The latest Libraries from Home newsletter is a Summer Reading Challenge special, with details on how families can take part over the holidays. Here is the newsletter link http://www.leedsforlearning.co.uk/Article/76728 so join the 'Silly Squad' and take part in the fun.

Free school meals

You are entitled to free school meals if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16,190, provided they are not receiving Working Tax Credit
- the 'Guaranteed' element of the State Pension Credit
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit, if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- if your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll continue to receive them until they move to a new stage of school, such as from primary into secondary school

Please note: People receiving Working Tax Credit, regardless of their income level, do not qualify.

To find out if you are eligible, ask at the school office or call Leeds Welfare and Benefits Service on 0113 222 4404.

Further information can be found here How to claim free school meals page.

If you're on benefits and your child is entitled to universal infant free school meals anyway, it's still important to register for a free school meal to ensure your child's school doesn't miss out on funding called pupil premium.

Cancelled trip information

Year 1 - Cancelled trip to Temple Newsam, Wednesday 25 March 2020

The £7.34 voluntary contribution which you made towards the above trip will be carried forward and offset against your child's next trip or school visitor as a year 2 pupil.

Year 4 - Cancelled Junk Funk Workshop, Friday 3 April 2020

The £5.84 voluntary contribution made by some parents for the above workshop will be offset against their child's next trip or school visitor as a year 5 pupil.

Please note from September 2020 the cost of school meals will increase from £2.20 to £2.25, per day.