

Ethos statement for this week and next week: I can say how I feel
I can laugh and fun

## Superkids and Star of the Week

We are still awarding superkid/star of the week certificates for hard work, kindness, achievement etc. Although we cannot have an assembly to share these awards we are having class presentations instead.

The winners for the first 3 weeks are:

EYU: Phoebe Widdop, Denny Franklin, Aleksander Nowak and Remae Fisher.

Class 2: Emilie Ledgard, Adyan Hussain and Jake Forster

Class 4: Ava Willans and Luke Clay

Class 5: Connor Tindall, Harper Middleton and Spencer Rodgerson

Class 6: Julia Krzetowska, Finnley Gregory and Parker Mould.

Class 7: Oscar Smith and Lottie Howard

Class 8: Alfie Holmes and Nevaeh Aveyard

Class 9: William Makin and Sophie O'Sullivan

Class 10: Jayden McClean and Mia Paluch

Class 11: Finn McCabe, Lilly McCabe and Jessica Rhys-Hill

Miss Liversidge and Mrs Spivey: Corey Taylor and Leighton Marshall Howarth

**TELEPHONE NUMBERS and SCHOOL COLLECTION PROCEDURES-** Please can you let the school office know if you have changed your mobile number- the office should have 2 contacts for if your child is ill. This week children had to remain in school with illness and /or injury because we only had one contact number that didn't work or the phone was switched off. If your child spends a significant amount of time during the week with different parents, please make sure we have up to date numbers for you both. Thank you

We are moving more and more to electronic information-please complete the online student update form that will be sent out as a link in a text message today. Also we send our letters via the school app- download school jotter app (free) from app store or google play and search for St Mary's Catholic Primary Batley WF178PH

DINNERS- The school menu is changing from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October- a copy is coming home via the school app today and will be put on our website too. Children who have moved into Yr. 3 are required to pay for school meals. Any family from R-Yr. 6 can apply for free school meals and each new successful claim helps school with extra money into our budget. The added benefit is you also get free milk too. In the event of further lockdown or if your child has to self-isolate you would be eligible for help towards lunches.

Please go to www.kirklees.gov.uk/schoolmeals or ring 01484 221928

We have to stagger lunch times due to keeping class bubbles separate so classes 6-8 start their lunch at 12.15pm and classes 9-11 do not get their lunch until 12.45pm. This will have to continue so you might want to send a fruit snack to school with your child if they are in KS2. KS1 children still get a free fruit snack each morning.

COATS AND PE KIT-can all children bring their PE kits to school on Monday and take them home Friday for washing. It is useful to add a pair of joggers as the weather has turned colder/damper as PE is outdoors. It has rained this week and we have had a small number of children with no coat. Please note they will play out even if it is raining (not torrential) and cold so may get muddy and damp. The virus thrives indoors so our classrooms are well ventilated even if wet and cold outside so you might want to let your child wear a vest as an extra layer along with a cardigan/sweatshirt.

**FLU VACCINATION FORMS-** The nasal vaccine will be administered on  $12^{th}$  November. Please return asap.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB- Coach Nikki has allocated places for children in classes 5, 8 and 11 only at this time. Due to our class bubble system we can only have these children and not siblings which I know is an inconvenience but we have to maintain the bubbles as per Government guidance.

ATTENDANCE AND ILLNESS - we have a number of children with a cold- if they are sneezing a lot and snotty it is worth keeping them at home for a day or 2. There is no need to self-isolate. If anyone in your family shows symptoms of coronavirus however such as: temperature or hot to the touch (chest/back), PERSISTENT new cough and/or loss of smell/taste then they need a test. While you are waiting the result the WHOLE family needs to stay at home. If you get a negative result all the family return to school/work when fit to do so. Please inform school when anyone in your household is having a test and the result even when negative.

SEESAW AND ONLINE LEARNING- in the event that your child has to remain at home due to self-isolation or a positive test result we have to provide an education. This is through Seesaw or Tapestry(EYU). All classes should now have been sent a log in and instructions for the Seesaw app-1 for the child and 1 for the family. These need activating asap. Please contact school if you cannot activate either account or if you don't have a device you could use if isolating.

## DIARY DATES

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct School finishes for half term
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct School closed for staff INSET day
Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov School reopens for pupils.(please note amended date)
Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Flu nasal spray vaccine

The school office remains closed to parents so please ring or email any queries to <a href="mailto:office@stmarysbatley.co.uk">office@stmarysbatley.co.uk</a>

We have 3 nursery places for children who are 3years old (birthday on or before  $31^{st}$  August 2020) If interested please contact school for an immediate start.