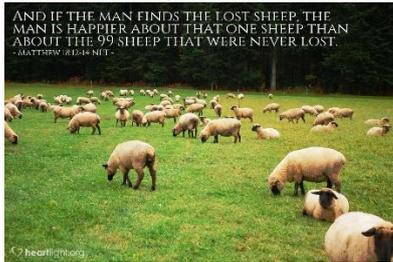




BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday March 5th 2021

Newsletter 21



In worship this week, we continued to think about the Christian Value 'Kindness' through the parable of The Lost Sheep. We thought about kindness as compassion, and how the shepherd had compassion for the sheep

that was lost. As we return to school, some of us might be feeling a little bit lost, and we need to think about how we can show compassion and kindness to each other.



We are now ready to welcome all of the children back to school. We know there will be a range of different emotions and feelings about the children being in school, and all of those emotions and feelings are totally fine! The [updated risk assessment](#) will help us to keep everyone as safe as we can, but – as always – it is a fluid document that we will adapt where we find ways to work even better.

There are some messages that I wanted to share with you:

- The key message is **Hands Face Space**. Children will be regularly washing hands and also encouraged to keep their distance from others, but are **not required to wear face masks** in school. Please can adults dropping off or collecting children ensure that they are wearing a mask on the school grounds (apart from those who are exempt). Some adults in school may choose to wear face masks in the classrooms, and this is acceptable in line with government guidance and the school risk assessment.
- We are not allowing children to bring things from home into school, apart from resources for learning e.g. reading books. Unfortunately this includes **sweets or cakes** to celebrate birthdays, but will make sure that the birthdays are celebrated in worship times.

While we can now see a possible end to the pandemic, we have been reminded that in order to get there as quickly as the government have planned we still need to work together to keep each other safe.

[You can find the updated guide for parents and staff on the school website.](#) Changes are highlighted yellow.

Please contact the office on admin3141@welearn365.com if there is anything you are concerned about, or if you need to get a message to your child's class teacher.

School uniform and PE kit:

Children are to wear full school uniform. On the days that they have PE, or attend an Onside after school sports club, please send them to school in their PE kit. If you find that school shoes are not fitting, we are more than happy for them to wear sensible shoes until the shoe shops re-open.

Timings of the school day:

	Start of day	End of day
Reception	9:05 am	3:15 pm
Year 1	8:55 am	3:05 pm
Year 2	8:45 am	2:55 pm
Year 3	8:55 am	3:05 pm
Year 4	8:45 am	2:55 pm
Year 5	8:55 am	3:05 pm
Year 6	8:45 am	3:15 pm



REVEREND ELAINE

As you are aware, Reverend Elaine held her last service at St Chad's last Sunday. She is still in the village for a short while before heading up north to be with her husband. We will be holding a special virtual worship for her in school on 18th March to say goodbye. If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift for her, please send any donations into school in an envelope marked 'Reverend Elaine' by Friday 12th. Thank you.

Message from the PTA:

We mentioned that the Tote Bags had been designed, and were now ready to order. [There is a brand new PTA website that you can use to order your bag.](#) Any orders you make will be sent home with your child. If you would prefer to order the bag by sending money into school that is fine, but please send the money in an envelope with your child's name and class, how many bags you would like to order and how much money is enclosed. (Bags are £5 each.) Thank you!

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 18th March – Worship for Reverend Elaine

Friday 19th March – Comic Relief Day

Tuesday 30th March – Virtual parents' evening (1:00-3:30)

Wednesday 31st March – Virtual parents' evening (3:30-6:00)



STARS OF THE WEEK

This week's stars are:

Reception: Albie and Alice

Year 1: Zack and Ollie

Year 2: Eleanor and Charlie

Year 3: Daniel and Amelia

Year 4: Amberley and Neesha

Year 5: Scott and Gracie

Year 6: Yusuf and Joseph



HEADTEACHER'S STAR OF THE WEEK

ARLO for approaching all of the learning through lockdown with such enthusiasm, going above and beyond on many occasions.

Best wishes,

C. Kilbey

Mrs C. Kilbey
Head Teacher



Fun Fact of the Week:

Did you know... Sheep have extremely good memories. They can remember approximately 50 individuals (sheep and humans!) for years at a time.

WORD OF THE WEEK:

meek

Sam was a meek, mild-mannered child.



World Book Day in the 2/3 keyworker bubble...



World Book Day story time and Masked Reader...



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