# Newsletter

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School Rules: Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

### Tweet of the Week

"Christians do not follow their own whims, but rather the call of love, the voice of Jesus."

Pope Francis (@Pontifex)





Dear Parents and Carers,

As we see an increase in children across the country struggling with their self esteem, we thought it would be the perfect opportunity to share some information with you all. We would , of course, urge you to also discuss any concerns with us.

The school nursing team can help with your child's health and wellbeing. They can be contacted on **03456 078866** or alternatively you can email them at childrenshealth@suffolk.gov.uk . Here is a link to their website for more information <a href="https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/childrens-health/school-nursing/">https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/childrens-health/school-nursing/</a>

Wellbeing Suffolk also offers the following webinars – parenting the anxious child, raising happy and resilient children and dealing with feeling down, amongst others. Here is the website, https://www.wellbeingnands.co.uk/suffolk/get-support/courses/

Suffolk County Council also has a wellbeing hub, it is jam packed full of really useful information and you can also refer to their service if you feel it is appropriate. Here is the website <a href="https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/infolink.page?infolinkchannel=2-1-1">https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/infolink.page?infolinkchannel=2-1-1</a>

Have a wonderful weekend Warmest regards Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham

## **Polite Reminder:**

Please can we remind you that you should only be parking in the church car park. St Mary's housing estate is private property and the residents have asked that no one parks in there. That no one uses a driveway to turn their car around, all of the driveways are private property and the residents are finding this to be very intrusive. Many thanks for your cooperation.

## Year R:

Over the last couple of weeks Reception have been very busy with our dinosaur topic! We have not only made models but we have painted some fantastic dinosaurs and written facts about them using our sounds! We have also been pretending to be Albie (the little boy in the story) when he went into the jungle! We used our senses and wrote down what we could see, hear, smell, taste and touch!



## **Year 1:**

Year 1 have been learning about quarters this week and had a great practical session working out what a quarter of numbers up to 20 would be.

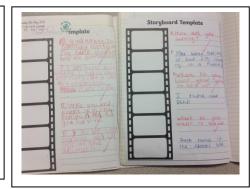


## Year 2:

In Year 2, we have been studying the book 'Pattan's Pumpkin'. This week we worked in small groups and had to imagine we were either Pattan or a news reporter. After role playing an interview where the reporter was asking Pattan about how he was during a terrible flood that had hit his town in India, we then used this experience to help us write a conversation script between the characters. We are really proud of the writing we produced. Great work Year 2!







## Year 3:

Year 3 have been learning about Pentecost - how Jesus, through the Holy Spirit, came to the apostles and gave them the gift of language to help them in their mission of spreading the word about Jesus. Children wrote their own prayers in the shape of a flame, asking for help from God for their friends.



## Year 4:

Year 4 having been looking at climate change and the effect it has on our planet. They made eyes of the world and tilted it the Eyes of the world are watching and so are Year4!



## Year 5:

This week, as part of our study of life in the risen Lord, children in year 5 have each made their own Rosary. Since May is the month of Mary, we have begun to learn to pray the Rosary, using our own creations. The whole class have been thoughtful and contemplative in their exploration of the mysteries and we have been most impressed with their prior knowledge and understanding.









## Year 6:

Year 6 this week have been lino printing. It was so lovely to see their designs become a reality. They have each produced 5 prints and will next week present these with the journey they took to each achieve each print. The final products do look brilliant. Well done Year 6.







## **Year6 National Reading Competition:**

8 of our Year 6's entered a virtual National Reading Competition. The children involved showed great perseverance and really enjoyed the event. It was really tricky - the children were up against some high school students too! Well done Year 6. This shows what a passion for books we really have.



## **Reminders:**

## Changes to collection arrangements at the end of the school day:

Please email the school before 2pm if there is any change to normal collection for your child, ie if not mum or dad. If you have put a note in your child's diary it is not necessary to email as well. Thank you.

## • Cool Milk Link:

If your child is 5 years old or over and you would like them to have milk at morning break, please contact Cool Milk to register and pay. Thank you.

Here is the cool milk link: https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/

## • <u>Coes School</u> Uniform:

Please find attached the parents buying uniform guide from Coes Ipswich.

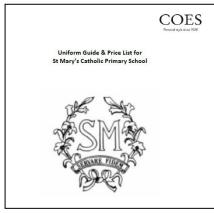
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform:

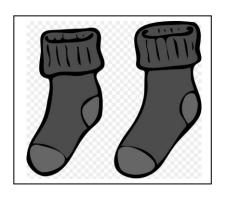
## **Donating unwanted uniform:**

- If you have any clean outgrown or unwanted uniform items we would love to accept them.
- Logo items such as PE tops and jumpers are very much in demand, so we would particularly appreciate any of these outgrown items.
- Please send it into school with your child, in a carrier bag marked with 'for the PTA/uniform donation' or similar, and the office will take it for the PTA.

## Donations required:

We are asking for donations of boys/girls pants and socks and Navy jogging bottoms. Needed in age 4-8 years old. If you have any these items and you would like to donate them please send them into school with your child in a carrier bag marked for the attention of the office. We would be very grateful.





## Sendiass relaxed online coffee morning:

Here is the link for further information.

To register for the morning session

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/language-games-to-play-at-home-tickets-148203224835

To register for the evening session

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/language-games-to-play-at-home-tickets-148221912731



### Language Games to Play at Home

#### Informal online session

SENDIASS and the Specialist Education Service for Pupils with Speech, Language and Communication Needs invite you to join us over a cuppa, exploring language games to play with your child at home.

This is the fourth in a short series of relaxed online 'coffee mornings' (repeated in the evening) aiming to help your child with speaking and listening.

Session Four: Games to help your child develop and practise their memory skills.

18th May 2021

10am – 11am

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Click here to register for the morning session

Click here to register for the evening session

What parents have said about these sessions:

'This was a brilliant session, thank you! Lots of really useful and fun ideas.'

'Great session. Thank you for all the tips. Very useful.'

## **Suffolk Libraries launches new digital story sharing service:**



## Suffolk Big Day Out 3rd June 2021

Suffolk New College's upcoming Suffolk Rural launch 'Big Day out' event, this event is free to attend, open to everybody (especially families) and will be happening on 3<sup>rd</sup> June during half term at our Rural campus, formerly Otley College – very Suffolk Show like but on a smaller scale. This is a great opportunity to come and have some fun, play some games, meet some of our animals, try some local foods, and hopefully feel a sense of normality whatever that now is!

The event is all outdoors to be totally COVID compliant along with the other restrictions; however, there will be open tents to ensure come rain or shine the event can still go ahead.

Tickets although free **must** be ordered in advance through our main SNC website for either a morning or afternoon visit (link posted below) so that we can keep track on the number of visitors.



## Suffolk Police Hate Crime:

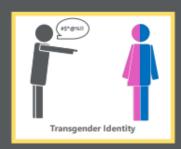


## Have you been a victim?









## What is a Hate Crime?

A Hate Crime is any crime committed against a victim or a group because of who they are or what they believe in.

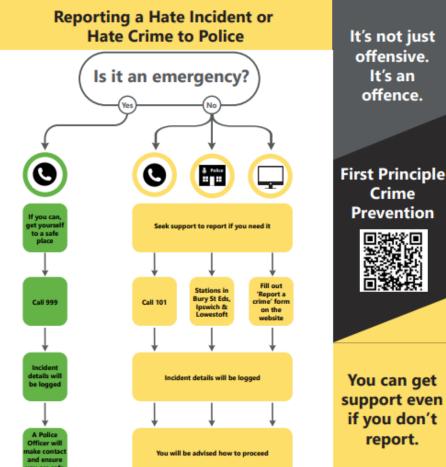


## What is a Hate Incident?

A Hate Incident is when a victim or group are targeted because of their characteristics but the incident does not break the law. e.g. spreading rumours.



www.nsvictimcare.org

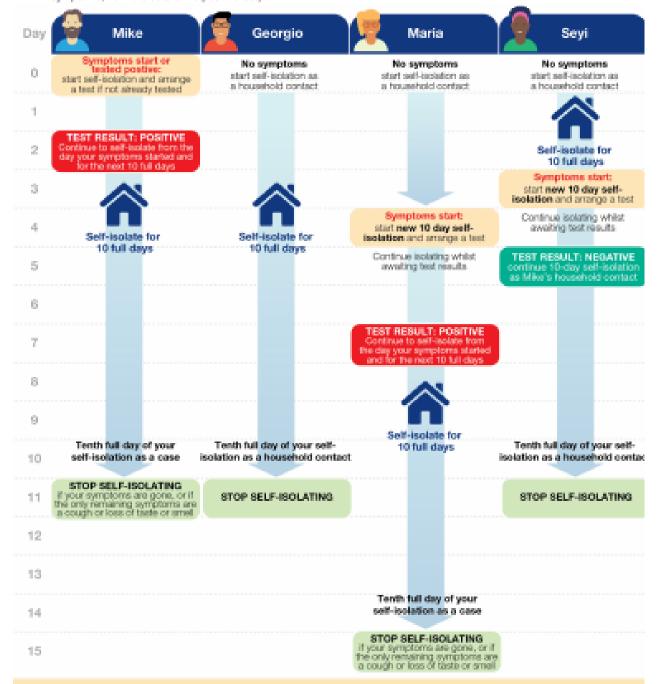




## Stay at home and self-isolate.

Please see detailed guidance online.

Mike's household: In this example, Mike lives with Georgio, Maria and Seyi. Mike is the first case of COVID-19 in this household. He and everyone in the household begin self-isolating from the day Mike's symptoms start (or if he had no symptoms, from the date of his positive test).



#### Self-isolate for 10 full days.

You need to self-isolate from the day the first person in your household started symptoms and for the next 10 full days. If they did not have symptoms, self-isolate from the day of their test and for the next 10 full days.

#### To self-isolate means:

Do not go to work, school, or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis. Only leave your home to get to your test if you need to, observe strict social distancing advice and return immediately afterwards.







## **Date for your Diary:**

## Term dates for 2021

## **Spring Term 2021**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March

Half term: 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February Staff Training day: 4<sup>th</sup> January

## Summer Term 2021

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July

Bank holiday: 3<sup>rd</sup> May Half term: 31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June

**Staff Training days**: 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> July (disaggregated)

## Term dates for 2021 - 2022

## Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 01<sup>st</sup> September – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Half term:  $25^{th} - 29^{th}$  October Staff Training day:  $01^{st}$  September

## Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4th January – Friday 08th April

Half term: 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February Staff Training day: 4<sup>th</sup> January

## **Summer Term 2022**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Bank holiday: 02<sup>nd</sup> May Half term: 30<sup>th</sup> May – 03<sup>rd</sup> June

Staff Training days: 25th April, 20th & 21st July

