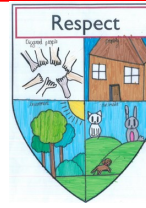
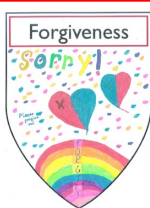


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Spring Newsletter: 6th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas holiday and start to the new year. It is great to see everyone back in school again.

We know there are lots of coughs and colds around at the moment so Dudley have sent some guidance about how to manage this which we have copied below.

Have a happy and safe weekend,
Ellie Game

Value of the half term...

Self Control

This half term we are going to be learning about self-control and how this can help us manage our feelings, emotions and thoughts. This week we linked this to new years resolutions and how self control could help us stick to them.

Back to school advice issued amid high levels of flu, COVID-19 and scarlet fever

Following simple steps can help protect children, minimise the spread of illness in education and childcare settings and protect wider communities.

Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently circulating at high levels and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also continue to be reported.

Professor Susan Hopkins, Chief Medical Adviser at the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), said: It's important to minimise the spread of infection in schools and other education and childcare settings as much as possible. If your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better and the fever has resolved.

Helping children to learn about the importance of good hand hygiene is also key, so practice regular handwashing at home with soap and warm water. Catching coughs and sneezes in tissues then binning them is another simple way to help stop illness from spreading.

Adults should also try to stay home when unwell and if you do have to go out, wear a face covering. When unwell don't visit healthcare settings or visit vulnerable people unless urgent.

Remember that flu vaccination is still available for all eligible groups and is the best protection against the virus. We have seen good uptake in older age groups but vaccination among young children remains low. Flu can be very unpleasant and in some cases can lead to more serious illness. Getting your child vaccinated protects them and others they come into contact with, and it's still not too late.

Eligible children include:

those aged 2 and 3 on 31 August 2022

all primary school-aged children

some secondary school-aged children

You can get more information getting your child vaccinated against flu on NHS.UK.

St Mary's Youth Club

Friday 6th January

Held in the Church Hall

6.00-7.00 pm

St. Mary's Youth Club on Friday evenings during term time. Aimed at children aged 7 to 12. Lots of activities, from craft to football, Lego to table tennis. Please share this invite with family and friends. Everyone is welcome!





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