St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



Friday 13th November 2020

Dear all,

This week the children took part in a two minute silence to remember those in the armed forces who have lost their lives in the line of duty. The children observed the two minute silence in their classes whilst The Last Post, a traditional Trumpet call was played out across the school. The children have also all written poems, drawn pictures, made collages etc learning about what Remembrance Day means and why it is so important. Many thanks to those that sent money in to buy poppies. All money raised goes to The Royal British Legion.

Today the children have enjoyed dressing up for Children in Need. It is always a fun day and also a good opportunity to think about those families less fortunate than ourselves. It also raises some much needed funds for them. Thank you to all those who donated.

Devon County Council financial hardship support

Many people are now struggling financially due to the effects of COVID-19. If your income has changed and you're struggling to pay for basic household essentials, DCC have made money available via local District Councils to provide small emergency grants to people in financial hardship as a result of COVID-19. The funds can be used for different things such as access to emergency short term support through shopping vouchers, utility top ups, paying for essential travel needs or essential advice and support services. They have published information on their website about financial support that is available:

https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/document/support-for-people-and-families/ including links to national support and information on what to do if you were employed but have now lost your job.

Covid-19 cases

I thought you might be interested to see the Devon County website information. This gives an update on cases in the area. The area of East Devon has definitely seen an increase in cases over the last few weeks so please adhere to our social distancing at drop off and pick up time and for your own safety please follow this after you leave the school gates.



COVID-19 Dashboard

Confirmed cases: Last 14 days

| Area name | Tue 27 | Wed 28 | Thu 29 | Fri 30 | Sat 31 | Sun 01 | Mon 02 | Tue 03 | Wed 04 | Thu 05 | Fri 06 | Sat 07 | Sun 08 | Mon 09 | Total |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| East Devon | 24 | 22 | 24 | 19 | 27 | 14 | 38 | 26 | 33 | 31 | 29 | 25 | 25 | 3 | 340 |
| Exeter | 27 | 32 | 22 | 19 | 23 | 22 | 32 | 25 | 35 | 25 | 30 | 23 | 23 | 5 | 343 |
| Mid Devon | 9 | 6 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 14 | 5 | 10 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 2 | 120 |
| North Devon | 15 | 16 | 12 | 26 | 6 | 8 | 20 | 16 | 18 | 22 | 13 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 191 |
| South Hams | 15 | 11 | 15 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 13 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 16 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 138 |
| Teignbridge | 20 | 18 | 16 | 9 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 10 | 15 | 21 | 12 | 5 | 12 | 2 | 181 |
| Torridge | 11 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 79 |
| West Devon | 8 | 6 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 12 | 5 | 11 | 11 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 104 |

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Diary dates:

Unfortunately due to the new lockdown any outside events or events with visitors coming into school have had to be cancelled. We will hope they can run again in the near future.

Week beginning 16th November – Anti-bullying week

Headteacher's Award: Sycamore – Brooke, Maple - Niamh

Bronze Awards: Rowan – Jack & Emily, Cedar - Lilly

Stars of the Week: Oak – William, Rowan – Isla & Miss Christopher!, Sycamore – Shiloh,

Cedar - Fraser, Maple - Holly, Beech - Ben