





St George's RC Primary Newsletter 20 02.07.21

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Our New Value for the Summer Term

Our school value for this half term is 'Tolerance'

Don't you see how
wonderfully kind,
tolerant, and patient God
is with you? Does this
mean nothing to you?
Can't you see that his
kindness is intended to
turn you from your sin?
Romans 2:4

Self-Isolation Payments for low income families

Any pupil who is identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 is required to self-isolate at home for a period of 10 days.

If a parent or carer on a low income needs to take time off work to care for their child while they remain at home and this results in a loss of income, they may be eligible for financial support.

Newcastle City Council administers a Test and Trace Support Payment scheme for which eligible parents or carers can apply for £500 one off support.

To qualify they must meet the following criteria:

- The parent or carer of the child or young person must live in the same household, and
- needs to take time off work to care for them while they self-isolate (this is limited to one
 parent or guardian per household for the child or young person's self-isolation period), and
- They are employed or self-employed, and
- They are unable to work from home while undertaking caring responsibilities and will lose income as a result, and
- They or their partner are currently receiving at least one of the following benefits:
 - Universal Credit
 - Working Tax Credit









- income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income Support
- Housing Benefit
- Pension Credit

And

- The child or young person they care for:
 - is aged 15 or under (or 25 or under with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC) and normally attends an education or childcare setting, and
 - has been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by their education or childcare setting because they have been identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19

Applications can be made online at:

https://newcastle.gov.uk/TestandTraceSupportPayments

Supporting evidence will be required with the application including a copy of the letter from the child's school instructing them to self-isolate.

As part of the verification process the Test and Trace Support Payment team will make contact with the school via telephone or email to confirm the applicable child has been asked to self-isolate by the school due to being identified as a close contact. This is not a GDPR issue as this check is made clear to applicants. Please pass this on to office staff who might take such a call.

The payment will be made within 3 working days of a successful application.

Join us in Prayer

Dear Father in heaven, you are our God. You rule and guide us, and our trust remains in you even when many needs pull at our hearts and try to draw us into their whirlpool. Protect us, we pray. May your divine hand govern us so that we remain aware of the calling we receive from you and always have a light shining into our lives to show us how to serve you. Let your power work wherever hearts respond to you on this earth, wherever the strength of Jesus Christ is revealed, so that people acknowledge his deeds to your honour. Be with the lowliest and least noticed of your children. Keep them in your hands and enable them to be fellow workers who persevere courageously and confidently until the time when you reveal yourself to all peoples on earth. Amen.











Music Lessons

We are hoping to get the music service in to deliver paid guitar tuition to children across school. If this is something which you would be interested in, please let Mrs Bennett know before Friday 9^{th} July. Summer Reading Challenge

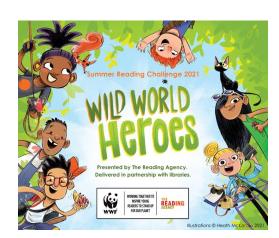
A summer reading challenge is being handed out tonight. Please have a go, as this will give your child access to lots of library services and activities during the holidays.

Teachers for September

N/R Miss Lawson Year 1/2 Miss Dunn and Mr Howard Year 2/3 Mrs Douglass Year 4/5 Mrs Ellin Year 6 Miss McMahon

PE dates for this term

N/R- PE Monday, Outdoor Day Tuesday Year1- PE Friday, Outdoor Day Wednesday Year2/3-Wednesday and Friday Y4/5-Thursday Y5/6- Thursday



Return Days for Home Reading Books

N/R- Friday Year1-Tuesday Year2/3-Friday Year4/5-Friday Year5/6-Friday

Warmer Weather

Please could we remind you to apply sun cream before school on hot days. Your child can also apply their own cream at lunchtime if this is required. Please make sure all bottles of cream are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. We encourage children to bring a filled water bottle to school every day.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 6 th July	STEM day for Y4/5 and Y5/6. PE kits required.
Tuesday 20th July	Dug Out Competition Day. PE kits required.
Wednesday 21st July	Basketball Fun Day. PE kits required.
Week beginning 5 th July	Moving up playtimes with teachers for
	September
Thursday 22 nd July	School closes for summer holidays
Friday 23 rd July	Teacher Training Day







