

High Littleton Church of England Primary School 15th January 2021

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"Valuing all God's children within an inclusive community."



Happy New Year

Welcome back to you all and on behalf of everyone at High Littleton Church of England Primary School, may I take this opportunity in wishing you and your families a happy and healthy 2021. May I also take this opportunity to thank you all for all the hard work that you have put in to support your child with their remote learning. We once again find ourselves as school communities in challenging circumstances but I know that we as always will pull together to give our children the best possible education.

My thanks go to the staff for their adaptability and fortitude in the face of such a challenge. As you will know, teachers and support staff are currently in full-time supporting our Key Worker and Vulnerable Children whilst also setting work, teaching remotely and responding to completed work for our children who are at home.

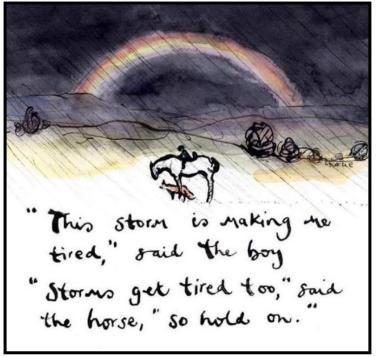
Last Friday, we embarked on our very first live Celebration Assembly, where 100 families came together to celebrate the children's good work. I was delighted to see the children's faces on screen and that they were able to see one another.

Finally, as I mentioned in my first letter of the new year, we know that this is causing a lot of anxiety amongst our whole school community. Please be aware that we feel for you

having to support your child's home learning yet again. If all else fails, you can always: cook together, exercise, draw, research, play board games, walk, watch documentaries, look at atlases, build LEGO or read a book with your child - learning does not start or stop with Google Classroom.

I will endeavour to give you all a ring over the coming days to check on how you are and how your child is coping during the latest lockdown. Enjoy your weekend—you've deserved it!

Mr Griffith



Google Forms Questionnaire Feedback

Many thanks to all of you for your feedback around home-learning and the use of Google Meets. We are pleased that the majority of responses are positive about our current provision in terms of quantity of work and time spent on live lessons. If you have not already done so, please could you complete the relevant questionnaire as we are looking to continuously improve our remote learning provision and your views and comments would be greatly appreciated.

So far, we have received 107 responses (61%). Please find below the link to each class:

Owl: https://forms.gle/crRW1SQB5NEcve4VA

Hedgehog: https://forms.gle/6TawFCcLETGMAmU69

Fox: https://forms.gle/fVWnn9Egxgs5Z8NVA

Badger: https://forms.gle/RBSbgWRj18fkhQa58

Otter: https://forms.gle/GxWNtBgyAqzXs4Ab8

Deer: https://forms.gle/Vat57rhXgg4qb2dL7



Google Meet Expectations

Please could you remind your child that these are our expectations whilst joining a Google Meet live session.

- Mic off and camera on until told otherwise;
- Do not message irrelevant comments on the text messaging tool;
- Use the hand up tool and make sure you put it back down after you have asked your question (putting your hand -up visually to the camera is also fine);
- Do not wander off during a lesson please ask your teacher if you need to leave;
- Be prepared with your stationery and books;
- Be dressed appropriately;
- Drinking is fine during lessons; eating is not;
- Ensure you leave the classroom at the end of the lesson and do not try to return until your next Meet;
- Arrive to your Google Meet at the exact time it starts;

Treat the lesson as if you were in a classroom and behave accordingly.



Getting Help with Technology – Internet Data Allowances for Mobile Phones

You may be aware that the Government has made many announcements regarding the provision of education during the current lockdown. One announcement has been to do with the provision of additional data allowances to parents/carers where they are using their mobile phones to tether to a device so that their children can complete school work.

The Government has negotiated with the leading mobile network providers to agree a package of extra free data that parents/carers can apply for to support with online learning. This offer is limited to those families that are using mobile data allowances and is not available to families who have a fixed broadband provision.

If you would like to take advantage of this offer you must complete the electronic form (below) to record your interest in the scheme. Once completed we will send this information to the DfE. Some of this is personal information and it is important that you read the DfE Data Policy before completing the form. It will be assumed that if you complete the form that you have read the DfE Data Policy.

The privacy policy can be found here:

https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/increasing-mobile-data/privacy-notice

Next steps

- 1. If you think you are eligible for this offer follow the link below to complete the Google form by midday on Friday 22nd January 2021.
- 2. If you have any questions, please contact your child's school who will pass on the information.
- 3. Wait to hear from your network provider.

Link to online form: https://forms.gle/VkexJpwKZs6Z8qTz9

Sunday Service

Hi everyone,

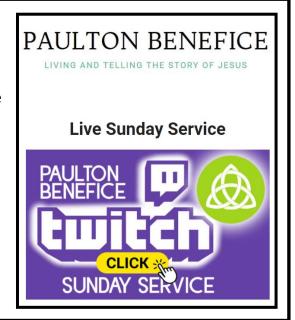
I hope that lockdown is finding you well and that you are able to work and rest, and stay in touch with friends and family. I would encourage you all to keep checking in on your neighbours and your fellow congregation to see that everyone is safe and well. Our time together has been strange so far to say the least, but we need to stay healthy for this last stretch until we can gather in person again.

https://mailchi.mp/a4a88f8d30ab/paulton-benefice-zoom-service-13165915

Every blessing to you all.

Rev Adam Pitt

Holy Trinity Church



Singing Tuition

Madeline is one of our school volunteers and has been helping out in Badger class for the past 18 months. Madeline has also run the KS1 after school signing group, which has proved very popular!

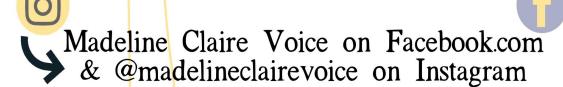






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WEBSITE COMING



Young Voices 2021



Young Voices: Plan B

At this time of year I am usually immersed in the excitement of Young Voices after school club. Sadly, because of the restrictions brought about by Covid-19, this has not been the case this year. However, I have news that I'm sure will put a smile on many faces...

The concert has been postponed and we have registered High Littleton School to take part on 23rd June next year. (Fingers are tightly crossed that this Plan B will come to fruition). The songs this year are the best ever and have been thoughtfully chosen to celebrate 25 years of Young Voices.

I will be asking for names of children who would like to take part (years 3-6 only) towards the end of January, and then shortly afterwards I will begin rehearsals in accordance with government guidelines to keep us all safe.

In the meantime, <u>ALL</u> children (and families) can access the Young Voices Music Room which has all the Lyric and Dance Videos for you to enjoy and practise at home. Simply go to https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/ and from the menu go to the **music room** and enter password **YV2021**

From the website, you can also read more details about Covid-19 Singing Guidance in Schools, Plans for the 25th Anniversary 2021 season and watch the anniversary video.

Happy Singing everyone!

Love.

Ms Tunstall

If my child is ill, should I send them into school?

YES

Would you have kept your child off school before Covid?

NO

Keep your child off school

Keep your child off school.

Your child and
HOUSEHOLD must ALL
isolate until you have YES
a TEST result.

TO ARRANGE A SWAB CLICK HERE (please note your GP cannot arrange the swab)

If you do not have internet access, then dial 119

FULL TEST & TRACE INFO

YFS

Contact your GP, visit https://111.nhs.uk/ or call NHS 111

@DrSimonHodes • @drashleyreece • 15/09/2020

Do they have ANY ONE of?

- ☐ A high fever (over 37.8°c as measured with a thermometer)
- ☐ A new continuous cough (persistent & regular cough)
- Loss or change of taste or smell

NO

Does your child have any underlying health condition that means

- They are normally offered a flu vaccine
- They were classified as high risk for shielding?

NO

Kids who are otherwise well

- Runny noses
- Sore throat without high fever
- Simple colds
- Can go to school as usual

School Dinners

Please can we remind you that dinners are £2.60 and need to be paid in <u>advance</u> via ParentPay. KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals.

Did you know that for all children in KS1 and KS2, if you receive any of the benefits listed below, you can <u>also</u> register with the Free School Meal Team?

Your registration could attract Pupil Premium funding for our school of £1,320.

Please contact the Free School Meals Team on 01225 394317 to check your eligibility. All that is needed is your National Insurance Number and date of birth.

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have and annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit Run-on which is only paid for 4 weeks after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
 Support under PartV1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Please follow us @high_pri for the latest news and information about the school.



Please check out the website. Click on the link below: www.highlittletonschool.com

Dates for your Diaries 2020 - 2021

Please click on the link below to take you to the 'Diary Dates' page and scroll down to see Club dates!

'Diary Dates/Clubs'

High Littleton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.