



St Catherine's Primary School Newsletter 1

25 September 2020

Welcome to our new Nursery and Reception children

Sending a warm welcome to all our nursery and reception families from our first and second cohort. We are amazed with how independent and confident the children are at such an early stage. The children have settled extremely well and are thoroughly enjoying exploring their new classrooms and outdoor areas. The teachers have enjoyed getting to know the children and it is lovely to see the children making new friends, smiling, laughing and having fun.

We are looking forward to welcoming the final cohort next week.

Curriculum Meetings

It was wonderful to see so many parents attend the Curriculum meetings over the past two weeks. These meetings are an opportunity to see the class teachers and ask any questions you might have relating to your child's current year group. We would also like to thank you for your patience during the meetings when we had a

technical glitch or two.

Barnet Integrated Children's Therapies

Please see the attached letter from Barnet Integrated Children's Therapies. It explains how they intend to support families with speech and language therapy, physio, OT etc. If this affects your child please read it carefully. They have also launched a virtual drop in session to discuss children that don't meet the thresholds for a referral. If you and child do access this service please do keep your class teacher informed.

Isolation or Future Lockdown

If your child is isolating due to having symptoms, we will not provide home learning, we will however be providing home learning if your child is isolating due to another member of their household having symptoms or if they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive.

In preparation for any class or year group closure please ensure your child has access to a laptop/PC and printer so that home learning can be completed and responded to on a daily basis.

Parental Courses

Barnet Integrated Clinical Service (BICS) are offering a series of free autumn wellbeing workshops and groups for children, young people and their families. There are workshops to support with anxiety, routines and being brave. Different workshops are aimed at different age groups. Please see the flyers attached to this week's email. If these are of interest to please email BICSGroups@barnet.gov.uk to register for a place.



Safeguarding is our TOP priority

Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Catherine's is EVERYONES responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. Leaflets for parents and visitors outlining the school guidelines on safeguarding are available outside the school office. We also have a dedicated Safeguarding page on our website with a number of associated policies and details of our designated Safeguarding team. Please contact one of the team at any time if you have concerns.



KS2 Fruit Snack

The Government's School Fruit scheme only provides fruit for EYFS and KS1. We appreciate the KS2 children also need a snack mid-morning and so we encourage you to send your child in with a piece of fresh fruit.

Independent Travelers

As it is the beginning of term and many pupils will be travelling alone to and from school, we have been ed to remind their pupils of how to keep themselves safe and to report any incident, to an trusted adult, if hy point they do not feel safe.

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

Sunday 27th September 2020

- What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, go and work in the yineyard today."
- ²⁹ He answered, "I <u>will</u> not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went.
- ³⁰ The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go.
- ³¹ Which of the two did the father's will?' They said, 'The first.' <u>Jesus</u> said to them, 'In <u>truth</u> I tell you, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of <u>God</u> before you.
- ³² For <u>John</u> came to you, showing the way of uprightness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.



House Stars

Well done to all of our children who have earnt stars this week!

Gabriel	902
Michael	751
Uriel	770
Raphael	733

The Week Ahead:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Yr 4 Swimming		Cohort 3 of Reception and Nursery start		Yr 6 Meditation with Fr John