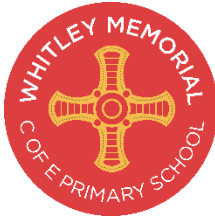


# WHITLEY MEMORIAL C of E AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL



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*'Let your light shine' – Matthew 5:16*

Newsletter 02/10/2020

Dear all,

Where is the time going? I can't believe how fast the weeks are passing. It will be half-term before we know it and then Christmas!

I always love a Friday morning because we have our WOW awards via the wonders of technology. It's great to see all the happy smiling faces of the children and teachers all on one screen. This morning was even better than usual because each class announced their new class MPs. The children who had been chosen looked so proud. Apparently their nomination speeches had been amazing and I am looking forward to hearing them.

As usual I have some reminders and information for everyone:

## COVID-19

As you have been informed, this week we have had a positive case of coronavirus in school. I would like to thank all the parents and staff for their swift actions dealing with this. We are already missing the children and staff who have had to self-isolate. The teacher will be contacting the self-isolating children via Tapestry. Remember, we are always here to help. We wish those affected a speedy recovery.

## Social Distancing

Please can we all keep each other safe by ensuring that we are all social distancing and wearing masks on the yard. Also, please remind your children that they need to socially distance from each other and avoid physical contact. We do teach them this in school but the more that we can remind them the better.

## Dogs

Please do not tie dogs up outside the school gates as they can intimidate the children.

## Lateness

For the *safety of the office staff and your children*, please make sure that your children arrive on time to avoid them having to go through the office. This is really important. Being late also effects your child's education and is disruptive to the rest of their class.

## Remote Learning Years 1-5

If your child is off school due to COVID reasons, please contact the school about 'remote learning.' This is the work that should be done at home during periods of self-isolation. The teachers have prepared online work for the children, however if you don't have access to this it is important that you tell us so that we can arrange paper-based packs for your child. Of course if your child is ill we do not expect them to complete any work.

## Virtual Book Fair

As you are probably aware, this year we will be unable to hold our normal book fair in school. The Whitley Friends have very kindly arranged a virtual book fair where you can purchase books online. This will run from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> of October. We will send a flyer out with further details.

Have a lovely weekend, take care and stay safe.

Mrs Gray

