



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 13th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

In what has been a sad week for the school community we remember the wonderful life of June Mead who served the school for twenty years.

Although I was not able to get to know June personally since starting at the school the way people spoke of her and the few occasions, I did meet or speak with her it was obvious what a genuine, kind, loving and positive woman she was. As a school we will think in great length how we will be able to mark her huge contribution to the school.

Please take the time to read the following messages carefully:

L is for Love- Mini Vinnie Requests

The lovely Mini Vinnies have decided to collect unwanted clothes over the next few weeks and then donate them to the Sue Ryder shop in Skelton. If you are having a bit of a spring clean please can you consider this and send in clothes in bags.

L is for Love- Packed Lunches- Reminders:

As A Healthy School, we aim to promote healthy eating. Please don't send sweets or too many treats in the packed lunch box. **We still have children attending the school with nut allergies so don't send anything that has nuts in please.**

T is for Teaching- Attendance and Absence- Reminders

Unfortunately, a key feature of this time of year are the illnesses which go hand in hand with it. You will most likely be aware of the nature of some of the illnesses which are going around at the moment, such as Strep A and Scarlet Fever. Please can we remind our families that we are encouraging all in our community to follow the most recent Government advice for people stay at home if they are ill. It is imperative that if your child has a high temperature (38C or more) or is not well enough to be in school, that they must stay at home. This will help your child to make a good recovery and it will prevent the spread of any seriousness illnesses across the school.

Can I take this opportunity to remind all our families that they should contact the school every day that a child is not well enough to attend. Ideally this call should be made before 9am so that we can account for all our children.

Finally, if you are planning on taking your child on holiday during term time you must complete a form giving at least 20 school days' notice. These are available from the front office. Unfortunately, I am not

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permitted to authorise any family holidays as that does not meet the criteria for exceptional circumstances.

I is for Inspire- After School Clubs reminder

After school clubs will restart again from Monday. Once again, the cost for these clubs is £10 per half-term. This terms clubs are as follows:

- Monday- Football with MFC in the Community
- Tuesday Drama Club
- Wednesday Badminton Club (KS2 only)
- Thursday Story Crafts & Games with Hope East Cleveland (limited to ten places)

H is for Happy- Toddler Group

The toddler group will be up and running again from Tuesday 17th January.

I is for Inspire- Stars of the Week:

This week certificates have been awarded to children who have worked really well on having a positive mindset as we return to school after Christmas.

- LJ- Marlie
- FS1- Jaxon & layla
- FS2- Lily & Amelia
- Y1- Phoebe & Frankie
- Y2- Lola & Gabriel
- Y3- James L & Abigail
- Y4- Katie & Joseph
- Y5- Maisie & Oscar
- Y6- Ollie & Isabelle

Final Thoughts & Prayers

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace, Amen.
Warmest wishes, take care and see you all on Monday.

Mr Geaves
Executive Head Teacher

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