St Joseph's

Catholic Primary School Otley

a Voluntary Academy

As a family with God in our hearts, we love, laugh and learn.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd July 2020



A MESSAGE FROM MISS CHOMA

Hi everyone. I hope you are all well and keeping safe. It was lovely to see Y6 who returned to school this week and have entertained us with their anecdotes of time during lockdown! We also welcomed back children to YR and the Key Worker groups this week who have settled back into school routines with ease - well done everyone. I cannot believe we only have 2 weeks of term left! Here's hoping but it will be lovely to see you all after the summer holiday.

I have loved the pictures/work you have sent on the Space Topic - but the photos of you with your teddies are fabulous. Keep going - you have been stars. We are so proud of you and your family during a challenging time. The work; the photos of you and your family and the lovely comments to staff have made us smile and lifted our spirits - a BIG thank you from us to you.

From all the staff - be safe; be kind and be happy. God Bless

MOLLY AND MISS CHOMA

Molly has continued to enjoy her walks this week. My sister, Anne, came to visit for the first time since lockdown - Molly was so excited to see her. We had a lovely walk with Molly and a great catch up.

Though we do not want to use the paddling pool, we cannot keep Molly out of it! Without notice, a cold and wet dog is trying to sit on your knee. She then needs to be wrapped up all snuggly and warm.



WELCOME BACK YEAR 6

It was so lovely to see the Year 6 children back in school this week - chatting together and playing happily in the playground.

In RE, we talked about the "Works of Mercy" and how these have been shown in the current crisis.

In Maths, the children have been mastering area, perimeter and volume of different shapes.

The English and topic work linked to this week's home learning theme of Space. The children enjoyed listening to "Space Oddity" by David Bowie and discussed the lyrics; identified personification, metaphors and similes in a poem about the moon.



The children then used their research from their Science lesson to write their own poems about a planet using these techniques. They also created some artwork inspired by other artists. We hope the children enjoyed their first week back - they have been brilliant. We hope they enjoy their weekend and we look forward to seeing them again next week.

MUSIC

On Thursday, all the children enjoyed a virtual music lesson with Mrs Shakespeare using cups to tap out different rhythms. Year 6 enjoyed tapping out rhythms to William Tell's Overture and The Eagles.



Please can each child bring in two plastic cups for next week's music lesson.

STAFFING UPDATE

Today, Miss Chappel begins her Maternity Leave.

We would like to say thank you for all her hard

work (and Google Classroom expertise) during

the last few months. We will miss her and wish



her all the best.

On Monday, we welcome back Mrs Keane from her Maternity Leave. She will be providing feedback for Year 4 children and assisting in the Key Worker rooms.

VIRTUE - SERVICE

The virtue for the next three weeks is Service which seems very appropriate at the moment when so many people have put other people's needs before their own; wanting to make a positive difference to the lives of others and helping people in need.

In Peter 4:10 it says, "Each of you should use the gifts God has given you to serve others." Jesus showed us all that we should serve others when he washed the disciples' feet at the Last Supper.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Christ has no body but yours,

No hands, no feet on earth but yours,

Yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world,

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,

Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, Yours are the eyes, you are his body.

Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours,

Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours. Amen



TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC!

Thank you for all of your lovely photos of the children and their teddy bears. We enjoyed seeing all their smiley faces!

Next week, we would like to see photos of your favourite family memories or achievements from the past few months. This could be games, walks, celebrations, sitting in the sunshine or family meals etc.































LEARNING PHOTOGRAPHS

Well done to everyone for their hard work this week—it is great to see such motivated and happy children!

We have had great fun learning all about space whilst continuing to work on our Maths and English skills.

Next week's theme is journeys and transition.





































































