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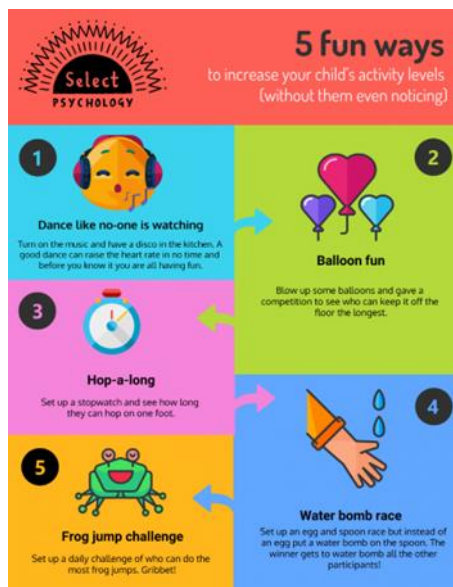
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Opening doors to our future.

I know all the things you do, and I have opened a door for you that no one can close. Revelation 3:8

Friday 29th January 2021



Parent Update

Dear Parents,

I hope this Parent Update finds you all well and surviving the ongoing challenges of remote learning! The teachers are working hard at providing a range of video led learning, the website is looking bright and vibrant, with an increasing wealth of resources and lessons for children and parents to access. All the classes are now receiving weekly zoom sessions, which give the children the chance to talk directly with their teacher and see their classmates. We have had a couple of issues when younger children are not sure how to mute/unmute themselves and we would kindly ask that an adult is close by during these calls to help them.

Class Pages

Please check your child's class page at the beginning of the week, their timetable of lessons, with all the links you need are on there. We also ask that your child watches the learning videos posted on each week's learning, it really helps the children to understand what they need to do, as their teacher will explain their work on the pre-recorded video of the lesson. If you have been collecting the paper packs you will still need to watch these videos as the worksheets in the packs are linked to them.

Website

The school continues to develop the school website, which is the main way that remote learning is being delivered to our families. We have developed several subject based pages which are well worth a look at!



Our Core Christian Values: Respect, Responsibility, Community, Friendship, Forgiveness, Courage.

Children's wellbeing page:

<https://stjamescofeprimaryschool.co.uk/childrens-well-being/>

This contains ideas and videos for activities, breathing exercises, cosmic yoga, growth mindset, advice and fun videos to watch to help your child to maintain their well-being.

PE in Lockdown:

<https://stjamescofeprimaryschool.co.uk/pe-during-lockdown/>

This contains links to live PE events, exercise and skills videos, Harlow gymnastics training videos, Vine PE lessons, Joe Wicks, Just Dance lessons and even Dinosaur PE!!

Reading Corner:

<https://stjamescofeprimaryschool.co.uk/reading-corner/>

This contains links to free online reading books, audio books and picture book story videos. A great way of engaging your children in reading and continuing to develop a love of books!

Collective Worship:

<https://stjamescofeprimaryschool.co.uk/collective-worships/>

This contains collective worships by the staff at St James', Reverend Richard and the Vine Trust. There are competitions and activities that link to the St James' worships which we hope the children will enjoy getting involved with.

We are also developing the RE and Science pages, which should be going live next week!

Half Term Holiday

School will be closed for half term the week beginning the 15th February 2021.

Re-opening of School to all Children

As stated by the Government, the earliest date for the re-opening of school will be the 8th March 2021, we will keep you updated on this as soon as the DFE updates us on this.

Mental Health Week 1st – 5th February 2021

Next week is Mental Health Week, to celebrate this **we are asking children to Dress to Express- by dressing up however they like for the class zoom next week.**

E-safety week 8th – 12th February 2021

Details of this will be sent out early next week.

Parent Consultations week 22nd – 26th February 2021

Parent teacher consultations week beginning 22nd February. More details to follow on how to arrange a telephone conversation at a convenient time will be sent out early next week.

Have a fantastic weekend and please stay safe!

Very best wishes,

Gina Bailey

Executive Headteacher



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