



St Anne's Primary School

23 April 2021 Newsletter 7 'Curious Minds, Caring Hearts – Aiming for Brilliance'

EASTER ACTIVITIES

The Easter activities were a great success! Thank you for your donations of chocolate and participation in the events. We raised an amazing **£808** for school fund. This money will be put towards reading books and resources to enhance learning.

CAPTAIN SIR TOM MOORE 100 CHALLENGE

We will be taking part in the 'Captain Tom 100 Challenge' on **Friday 30 April 2021**. [Captain Tom Moore](#) captured the imagination of the country when he raised more than [£32million for the NHS](#) by doing laps of his garden. Now, his family are encouraging the nation to keep his charitable spirit alive on what would have been [his 101st birthday](#) weekend by taking part in the [Captain Tom 100 challenge](#). This event will replace our usual sponsored walk and all the money raised will be donated to the Captain Tom Foundation. Each class bubble have decided on a 100 challenge to complete and sponsor forms will be sent home on Monday!

VOTING DAY- SCHOOL CLOSED

Reminder- School will be closed on **Thursday 6 May 2021** as it will be used as a polling station. Staff will take part in emotional health and wellbeing training.

MAY BANK HOLIDAY

School will be closed on **Monday 3 May 2021** for the Bank Holiday.

PJAMARAMA READING DAY

On **Friday 14 May 2021** we will be taking part in the national Pjamarama Day. Pjamarama is all about getting children excited about reading, and fundraising to make sure every child gets their bedtime story. The children will spend the day engaged in reading activities, enjoying and sharing stories and all in the comfort of their pyjamas! We ask for a donation of £1, which will go to the BookTrust to help all children have access to stories and to reading.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child wears the correct school uniform. School shoes should be worn on the days when they do not have PE. Children should **not** wear jewellery in school. The only exception is one pair of **small, flat, gold or silver stud earrings**. These should be removed and left at home on PE days. Please support us in this. Extreme hairstyles are not suitable for school. Hair bands worn by the children should be in keeping with school uniform.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPH REMINDER

Class photographs will be taken during the morning of **Wednesday 9 June 2021**. Please ensure that your child is wearing school uniform.

PICK UP AND DROP OFF ARRANGEMENTS

Thank you for your continued cooperation with the staggered pick up and drop off times. Please adhere to the times for each class as this helps to avoid congestion at the school entrance. We also ask that masks are worn on the school site unless you are exempt due to medical reasons. These measures are helping to keep infection rates low and it is really important that we all work together to keep our children in school!

PARKING

We have again had complaints and serious concerns raised by local residents regarding inappropriate parking around school. It is imperative that the area is kept as safe as possible for everyone and that driveways are not blocked as this causes inconvenience to residents. We ask that you be considerate when parking around school. Thank you for your co-operation.

DECORATING WORK AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

Over the Easter holidays, we have had Year 1 and both the infant and junior corridors decorated. These areas are now looking fresh and bright and we continue to make improvements to the school building and outdoor areas to enhance the children's learning environment.

Planning has been approved to erect a permanent fence at the back of school. This area will now be fenced off, gated and new tarmac laid to provide a safe entrance area.

CURRICULUM

During this term I will be sending out information on our curriculum offer. The aim is to make parents/carers more aware of what children learn in each year group and gain a deeper understanding of each subject. Information can be found on the school website regarding our curriculum intent and organisation. This will be updated in the coming weeks to reflect any changes or enhancements we have made.

Please look out for our new 'Curriculum Newsletter' that we hope will communicate some of the brilliant activities going on in school! This should be available before the half term break.

Our overriding concern is that our children have access to a rich curriculum that stimulates an enquiring mind and a lifelong love of learning!

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

School will close at 3:15pm on **Friday 21 May 2021** and re-open on **Monday 7 June 2021**. The staggered start and end to the school day will remain in place unless government guidelines change.