NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 23rd September 2020 Church time: OrdinaryTime St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School

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<u>Timings</u>

Thank you to everyone who has helped in the slight change to timings at drop off and hometime. It has started really well and that is down to you following the timing rules.

Struggling for dropping off?

I have spoken to SinglePoint about issues some parents/carers have at dropping off time. They have mentioned that they could offer a service of dropping off if you can drop your son/daughter at 8.15am to them for the cost of £3.00 per day. If you are interested in this, please contact SinglePoint directly.

<u>Attendance</u>

Well done to everyone who is well enough to come to school. We know these are difficult times, but everyone is doing really well. Reception and Year 6 can have 2 house points each.

Y6	Y5	YN	Yı	Y2	Y4	YR
93%	96%	98%	99%	99%	99%	100%

Punctuality

Well done to EVERYONE! There have been no late marks anywhere in school last week. 2 House points for EVERYONE!

Join in with Park Smart

Thank you again to all families who support us in keeping off the zig zags outside school. Please do continue to be vigilant. Also, there are some (not very often I am glad to say) who block other

vehicles in when parking. Please be considerate, even if you think it is only a short time, we must consider other drivers and residents too. We will work together on this. If you see anyone parking dangerously, please report to the



school office. If you feel the need to send us a photograph of irresponsible parking, please ensure that you are not taking pictures of faces of any adult or child, as safeguarding is always our first priority.

Welcome PCSOs to Year 5!

It is great that you are helping your children remain safe on the way to school and in their lives. To help us in our work, we are receiving support from our PCSO James and PCSO Scott, who will be based in Year 5 when they visit. Look out for assemblies that they will be leading with Year 5 to teach everyone about British Values.

PE Days

Remember: You can find PE days on our website. Please note that leggings and cycling shorts are not part of the children's school unifrom for PE. School shorts (black) and dark (grey or black) jogging bottoms are to be worn. PE footwear may be worn on PE days, pumps or trainers are allowed. **Dolce Dinners**



We Can Be Heroes

REMEMBER: There is a non-uniform day on Thursday 1st October. The theme is Super Heroes/Heroines and / or Favourite Disney or other fiction characters There is NO COST, but your son or daughter can be entered for a raffle if they ORDER A DOLCE LUNCH. There will be prizes of gift vouchers for 1st place and other prizes for 2nd and 3rd place.

Reading Books

The children are still currently being assessed at the moment. If they have been given a book but not assessed, this is to ensure that they are reading at home. You can still read other books. Please bear with us whilst we assess the children and match their books to assessments, they are doing this over the forthcoming weeks and are matching these to baseline assessments currently taking place in school.

Water bottles

We have had state that we cannot refresh water bottles in school due to health and safety risks. Could you please ensure that your son/daughter has **ONE or TWO bottles of water** (NOT JUICE OR SQUASH) for the day. We have had children arrive without water, please make sure that your son/daughter remembers to bring water every day.

Lunch Reminder

ALL lunches **MUST** be ordered before the start of the school day. If you have issues, Mrs Marshall can help you. If you fail to order a school lunch, your son or daughter may be distressed and hungry. **From tomorrow, for anyone who does not order a school lunch, you will be telephoned and expected to bring a lunch in for your child**.

Year of the Word: We Pray Together

We are still celebrating the Year of the Word. During assembly this week, we talked about being grateful for God's generosity. It is at times like these we can feel lost and despairing of what is happening in the world around us. During bedtime and other prayer times at home this week, maybe you could spend some time with the children talking to God about what you feel is hard and unfair and then about how God can help us.

I will be sending a prayer sheet out with each of our girls and boys today, asking them to write on one apple what is NOT FAIR and on the other, HOW GOD HELPS US. You may choose to decorate the apples, we will add to our Virtues trees at the front of school.

Who are the Tidy Crew?

Well done to **Year 6** for last week. Not only are they taking care of their classroom, but also the outside too.



REMINDER

Birthdays – Children are welcome to wear non-uniform, but <u>MUST NOT</u> bring anything to share at all on school premises.