



Weekly Newsletter

Empathy, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility

5 February 2021

Key Dates This TermYear 6 Parents'
Evenings - 8 / 9 / 11
February**Term Dates**Close - Friday 12
February**Open - Monday 22
February**

Close - Thursday 1 April

**Open - Monday 12
April for staff (INSET
Day)****Open - Tuesday 13
April for pupils****Mental Health Week 1-8 February 2021**

This week is Children's Mental Health Week and we have been thinking and talking about this through the assembly this week. The theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week is **Express Yourself**. Now so more than ever, this is at the forefront of our minds. Below are some links to websites and resources that parents and carers might find a helpful or useful source of information and ideas to support their children.

'Expressing yourself is about finding ways to share feelings, thoughts, or ideas, through creativity. It is about finding a way to show who you are, and how you see the world, that can help you feel good about yourself.' - **Place2Be**

<https://www.annafreud.org/parents-and-carers/child-in-mind/>
<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/coronavirus-wellbeing-activity-ideas-for-families/>
<https://northleeds.mumbler.co.uk/parenting-in-a-pandemic-support-for-your-mental-wellbeing-in-lockdown-3-0/>
<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

Microsoft Teams

I have dropped in to online lessons this week again to see how well our pupils at home are getting on.

Following my reminder last week about making sure backgrounds are set to blurred, most children have been able to do this. A parent contacted me to say that on some older operating systems, particularly on a tablet, this may not be possible. If you are having any difficulties with this, please contact your class teacher. Teachers will be asking pupils to have their cameras on this week in lessons. Again, please let class teachers know if there is a reason your child is not able to do this.

Teachers will also be encouraging children to complete or upload their work to Assignments rather than emailing work to the teacher as it is easier for the teacher to look at the work and provide feedback.

Year 6 Parents' Evenings

The parent consultations will take place next week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday between 3.30pm and 6.00pm. If you have not yet booked, please do so on My Child At School. Mrs Horner in the office will be pleased to help if there are any difficulties booking or attending.

IT Support

We have successfully run the IT support drop-ins for the last two weeks as parents and pupils got used to home learning using Teams and have managed to help many parents/carers with their IT questions. There will be no further drop-ins from w/c 8 February but if you do need any support with IT at any stage, please contact the class teacher via the class email and we will arrange support where possible.

**Stars of the
Week****Reception:**Megan C
Teddy H**Year 1:**Jemimah M
Henry M**Year 2:**Sophie R
Harry S**Year 3:**Lucie E
Oscar D**Year 4:**Isla S
Cian S**Year 5:**Sofia R
Sonny G**Year 6:**Caitlin B
Isaac H-C

**Congratulations
to all our Stars
of the Week for
their great
achievement!**



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Calderdale Libraries Service

Calderdale Libraries Service want to be able to help children and families access books from home. They have made a short film to show children and their families how easy it is to join Calderdale Libraries and to access all their free books. See link below:

https://youtu.be/pvEHn4i_qmQ

Joining the library is FREE, it doesn't cost any money and they have an abundance of eBooks, eAudio books, eMagazines & comics available to enjoy.

It's also FREE to print homework in Calderdale Libraries; families can email documents through to one of the following libraries and they will let you know when it's ready to collect.

CentralLibraryOpsTeam@calderdale.gov.uk

hebdenbridge.library@calderdale.gov.uk

kingcross.library@calderdale.gov.uk

tomorden.library@calderdale.gov.uk

Whilst the libraries are closed, Rhymetimes, Storytimes & Craft Sessions are taking place virtually on the social media pages. Go to Calderdale Libraries Facebook page to find out more about upcoming events.

Internet Safety

Further guidance on how to keep your child safe online can be found below:

Information for parents and carers: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online>

Information on staying safe online in general: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-staying-safe-online>

Children of Key/Critical Workers attending School

The government guidance for children attending school during this period remains the same, if you can keep your children at home you should do. This includes children of key workers where this is possible.

Thank you for continuing to keep us up to date with your requirements for places each week.

The gov.uk guidance for when you should take a place at school is below.

Critical worker children

Your child's school or college will speak to you to identify whether your child needs to attend. You should keep your child at home if you can.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/951035/210108_Parents_Guidance_vF.pdf

Adverse Weather Notification

When there is adverse weather, we will always post a notification on the top of our website, send a text and email and also place a notification on the Calderdale Emergency School Closures site. Pulse radio also take their information from the Calderdale site.