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Newsletter: Summer Term 14th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope you all managed to celebrate VE day last Friday in the safety of your gardens. We were certainly blessed with the weather. It was wonderful to watch the many scenes on TV of communities coming together but in a socially distanced way to celebrate a significant day in history. Some of the spirit of wartime has certainly been in evidence over the last few weeks during this lockdown period. I am sure in years to come future generations will read about 2020 and the significance of it in history across the world.

This week we have heard the announcement that some pupils will be returning to school in the coming weeks. We are still receiving clarification and further details to the re-opening plan from the DFE, Local Authority and the Diocese. Staff are busy preparing the school to receive the children when they return. We will be keeping parents updated on the information when we are able.

Please note that the school is only currently open to children of frontline workers responding to the Covid - 19 pandemic.

Once again this evening at 8pm we will be applauding our wonderful NHS staff and all key workers who are working so hard during this difficult time. There is a real spirit of togetherness throughout the country each Thursday at 8pm.

Have a good week. Mrs Warters



Power Maths Books

Many of the children have enjoyed working through the Maths Book A and we have made Book C available for you to collect for your child at the main office.

Singing Programme

Why not join in with some singing with Miss Kitson each day at 2pm. Sessions are available online. KS2 **Daily Virtual Singing Session** KS2 at 2pm Monday-Friday, available on YouTube -**KS1 Virtual Singing Session** at 11am, available on YouTube every Monday. These sessions can be accessed at:

www.schoolssingingprogramme.org.uk

The lessons are available to anyone logging on free of charge and go live at 2pm and are not just sing a long but proper lessons including warm ups, rhythm and pitch training.

Free School Meal entitlement

If your family is currently in receipt of Free School Meals you will shortly be receiving further vouchers for the next few weeks during the current school closure period.

Masses at St John the Baptist Church 01924 892172

In compliance with Government Instructions - as from 23rd March 2020 the Church will be closed even for Private Prayer until further notice. Mass will be celebrated privately daily by Fr Mark for the published Mass Intentions.

Please visit the parish website at

www.stjohnthebaptistnormanton.co.uk for current updates and information regarding the parish community.

Weddings and Baptisms are also postponed until further notice by Government Instruction.

ONLINE SUNDAY MASS WITH BISHOP MARCUS

To participate online, please access the following new YouTube channel which will be live from Sunday: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

The link is also available on the home page of the diocesan website <u>https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/</u> and also the Cathedral's own website and may also be accessed via a link from the Cathedral's home page: <u>https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/cathedral</u>

Safeguarding: Should you have any concerns regarding the safety of children please contact the Safeguarding Team. DSL: Mrs L Warters (Head of School) Deputy DSL: Mrs S Spittle Deputy DSL: Mrs D Ferguson Deputy DSL: Miss B Noone Mr K Flood (Executive Headteacher)

Remember stay home, stay safe, save lives.