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A Voluntary Academy

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## **Newsletter: Summer Term 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope you have managed to enjoy some of the fabulous weather we have been having over the past few days. It has certainly helped to lift our spirits as we get out in the fresh air and sunshine.

Today we would have been breaking up for the two week spring bank holiday. School staff continue to work over this holiday period providing support and provision for our frontline key worker children. Please note that the school is only currently open to children of frontline workers responding to the Covid - 19 pandemic. As you will be aware from the media there are many discussions taking place over the phased re - opening of schools. We continue to follow the guidance which is changing daily as we plan for a safe return for some of the pupil groups in June. We hope to be able to advise parents further with the re-opening plan after it has been agreed by the Trust board in the coming days.

We continue to pray for all those in our community who have been affected in some way by the pandemic over the past few months, and we pray for better days ahead.

Keep safe everyone, but most of all try to keep smiling. We will get through this. Remember Captain Tom Moore's wonderful phrase 'Tomorrow will be a good day'. It is something we must focus on at this challenging time.

Have a good week

Mrs Warters

### **Contact Details**

If you have changed your mobile phone number or email address recently please can you send your new details via the school office email – [office@sjb.bkcat.co.uk](mailto:office@sjb.bkcat.co.uk) so that our contacts list can be updated. Many Thanks.

### **Home Learning**

There will be no year group home learning packs sent from school during the next two weeks. Learning programmes are still available online with the BBC Bitesize sessions, White Rose Maths Hub and Oak academy if you are wishing to undertake any learning over this period.

### **Twitter**

Thank you so much for all the wonderful messages and tweets on our Twitter feed @SJBnormanton. We are glad you enjoyed this week's different Wednesday Wave from staff with our little video message to you all. Keep tweeting your own messages and pictures. We also post useful information on our Twitter feed including supporting mental health and guidance for online learning.

### **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](http://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](http://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](http://www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk)

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

***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.**