

St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

Love to learn, Love God, Love one another

23 October 2020

Dear parent/carer,

As we reach the end of the first half term, we want to thank you all for your support, particularly during these unusual times. The children have adapted brilliantly to the changes to how school operates and we are delighted that each class within the school family are together once again before we break-up for a week.

Please can we remind any Year 6 parents who have not yet done so, to apply for a High School place before October 31st.

Under the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal every day. However, should your child be in Years 3-6, they may also be entitled to a Free School Meal. For further information on whether your child may be eligible, please visit: http://www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk/st-werburghs/school-family/parents/. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who may be eligible under this scheme, are encouraged to apply too, as this also offers additional benefits.

When we return after the break, the current school times will continue, as will our guidelines on Covid-19 controls and what can and what cannot be brought into school. Can we take this opportunity to remind that children cannot bring in school bags other than plastic bags. This allows for easy cleaning each day. Lunchboxes/bags should be carried within these. PE bags can continue to come in, as these will remain in school for a period of time.

The very special period of Remembrance will soon be with us and thanks to our friends at the Royal British Legion (RBL), children will be able to buy poppies and maybe a few other themed items. To support out bubbles, the RBL have kindly sent in a selection of poppies for each class. These will be available during the first week back and we will write to you after the half-term break with further information.

We have been advised that Kingsley Kingfishers are unable to recommence their wraparound care due to current restrictions. With this in mind, we wish to continue to help parents/carers who may need a little support with wraparound care and will extend the current arrangements. As previously, we intend that this will continue as a short-term 'help' until the Kingfishers recommence the service.

The whole team hope that you have a wonderful, restful, and enjoyable half-term break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 2nd November**.

Please stay safe and thank you again for your care and support.

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