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St Mary's Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,
We hope you continue to be safe and well.

Consultations:

Consultations will be taking place by Zoom next week and in the final week of the half term. Please book today if you haven't already done so. Attached to this newsletter is a bulletin regarding Zoom consultations, with a few reminders about the process. Please read this carefully.

Amazon Wish List: Books

We have been so overwhelmed by the immense generosity shown in response to sharing our Amazon Wish List. We keep adding to our list; our most recent additions include poetry books, non-fiction texts about nature and our environment and books to enrich children's understanding about key curriculum topics across the school.



Thank you to the following families that have kindly made donations that we have received so far this week:

*The Richardson Family
The Faridi Family
The Triantos Family
The Robinson Family
The Linton Family
The Bamford Family
The Hawkins Family
The Pinfold-Fenocci Family*

*The Sugiarto Family
The Lavelle Family
The Cobbett Family
The Wroe Family
The Tate Family
The Grzesiczek Family
The Tomas Cerqueira Family
The Costa-Symeou Family
The Johnson Family*

The Wish List can be accessed [here](#).



If parents would like to donate a book, and they leave us a message on the Amazon page, then we will include a sticker inside the book to note who has made the donation.

That book will go to the corresponding class library where it will be enjoyed now and in time to come!

May Day: What to Wear and When

A reminder that we are planning to film the dances in YR to Y5 on Tuesday 25th May and Y6 on Wednesday 26th May. **In all classes, the children will need to come to school dressed in their outfit and should bring their school uniform in a plastic bag to change into after filming.**

We have had a few enquiries about outfits for May Day.

- Girls: Traditionally, girls wear a white dress on May Day, although on this occasion, girls may choose any dress (not necessarily white) for the event. Please ensure that they can skip and bend comfortably in the dress. We are unable to lend out May Day dresses this year as we have typically done previously.
- Boys: White shirt/polo top and grey school trousers/shorts and a school tie. Ties can be purchased in the same way as other uniform.
- Footwear: Please do not purchase shoes especially for May Day unless you foresee that the children will wear them thereafter. The children will need to plain shoes or plimsolls that will be comfortable to skip in. Please avoid brightly coloured trainers, sandals of any type (and shoes with laces, particularly for younger children!)

Ideas for Prayer at Home:

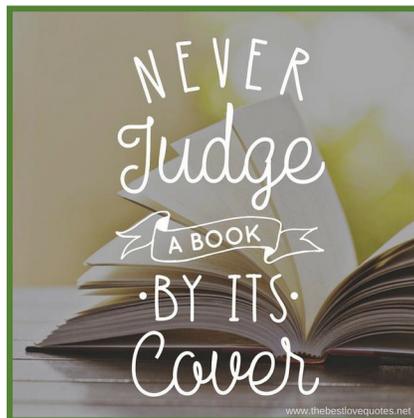
The Church of England has produced some lovely resources linked to a global prayer movement known as 'Thy Kingdom Come'. [This linked resource](#) provides a variety of creative ideas for prayer at home. Do take a look if you'd like to.

Focus Value: Service

In part of this week's collective worship, we have been reflecting on what makes a good ruler and how David was chosen as King to serve God and His people, despite being the youngest and smallest of his brothers. In class, the children discussed the importance of never judging a book by its cover and how God knew that David would be a good choice because 'the Lord looks at the heart' (1 Samuel 16 v1-13).



Please continue to look for opportunities at home to discuss the importance of never judging a person based on physical appearance.



From all of us at St Mary's primary school, stay safe, stay well and our love and prayers be with you as always.

Maria Constantinou and Mel Adams
Headteachers



COVID-19 Information and Updates:

On Monday evening the Prime Minister made an announcement about the next stage of the easing of restrictions as of Monday 17th May.

Presently, this doesn't change how we operate at school. The Department of Education continues to advise that bubbles of children are kept apart and we are therefore advised to continue with staggering entry and egress to the school site.

We are still asking for your cooperation with regard to face coverings during pick up and drop off times unless you are exempt from wearing one. Face coverings are there as a measure to protect others from any potential risk.

Free lateral flow testing

A reminder that adults in the same household as school aged children can collect free lateral flow testing kits. These tests help to identify people not showing any Covid-19 symptoms. For more information look at <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> regarding rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff. A new national website page showing testing sites has also gone live: <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>