



KEYHAM BARTON CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear School Family,

The children really are settled now and have been an absolute pleasure to have in again. We've really appreciated the warm weather this week too and they have had plenty of time outdoors. Next week, we move onto a more normal learning platform, but still with wellbeing at the heart of it.

It's been a tough week for many families being worried around COVID symptoms and trying to book then wait for test results. It's also cold season and the symptoms can seem quite similar.

The three key symptoms to watch out for are: **a high temperature; loss of sense of smell or taste and a new, continuous cough lasting more than an hour, or 3 coughing fits in a 24 hour period.** You do not need to keep children home for any other symptoms unless you normally would. I'm pleased to report that we have had no positive cases of COVID at Keyham since March, which means our protective measures are working.

Please can I ask again that we ensure we are following the risk assessment guidelines as it is vital we all do our bit to keep everyone safe.

Our staggered times are, alphabetically by family surname:

A - F - 8:40 - 2.55

G- M - 8:50 - 3.05

N - Z - 9:00 - 3.15

Please continue to follow the one-way system in through Renown Street and out through the lane, but be aware that buggies will be using the main gate, so please allow them space as they come out. We're keen to work together to keep everyone safe.

WORSHIP AND LITURGY



Each Monday, we begin the week with a liturgy based on the Sunday Gospel. From this, we get an action to practise throughout the week. Liturgies take place in class and I will share these on our Facebook page, along with our Celebration assemblies weekly, so you can participate remotely. The theme this week is:

God is Generous



In this week's Gospel, the owner of a vineyard goes out early in the morning and hires some workers who agree their wage. During the day the owner goes out to the marketplace at different times and hires more workers. At the end of the day he pays them all the same money. The workers who were hired in the morning complain this is unfair because they get exactly the same as those who've only been working for an hour. The owner says he can be as generous as he likes - and no one can complain - because they agreed it was a fair wage when they started work. In this story, Jesus teaches us that he is there equally for all of us. Whenever we turn to him, he will be there. He asks that we celebrate and are glad for other people when they are rewarded.

Action: Be generous, both to yourself and others.

Argyle Football

This week, we have had our Argyle coaches back in and the children have loved working with them! They are offering a range of skills-based PE lessons. They do have a rigorous risk assessment in place and they also have a copy of ours. It has been brilliant to see the children out and practising ball skills today. The level of coaching they offer is of a really high quality.



PE DAYS

Children can come into school in their PE kits on PE days:

Courage class EYFS: Friday

Kindness class Y1:

Monday/Thursday

Compassion class Y2:

Tuesday/Friday

Forgiveness class Y3:

Wednesday/Friday

Peace class Y4:

Wednesday/Thursday

Integrity class Y5: Friday

Justice class Y6:

Monday/Thursday

A FAITH COMMUNITY, GATHERED TOGETHER TO LEARN, WITH LOVE AND RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER



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DIARY DATES



Meet the Teacher:

We won't be able to hold a Parents' evening in the school, as we normally would, this term, but all teachers will be sharing a video on Facebook on **Friday 25th September** to talk you through the class expectations. We are always at the end of the phone and in the playground mornings and afternoons, so if you have any questions, worries or concerns, please email, phone or speak to one of us.

HOUSEPOINTS



This week's winners are:

Carmel

At the end of each long term, the house with the most weekly stars will be allowed a mufti day to recognise their hard work and learning efforts!

HERE EVERYDAY,

READY ON TIME

Now more than ever, regular and punctual attendance is crucial to your child's achievement in school, especially as we begin our catch-up programme to support them with the term they have missed.

The classes with the highest attendance and punctuality this week were: **YEAR 4!**



The expectation for every child's attendance is at least 97% and above.

If your child is going to be away from school, we need to know each day before 9:30 am. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Parking Consideration

Please can we ask you to **not pull up outside the school to drop your children off**. It causes congestion and puts our children at risk. We are proud of our school and our relationship with our community and we want to keep on building that. Our first priority though is to ensure you and your children are safe. I will invite our PCSO to support this as it's more important than ever, with our staggered starts, that we are being mindful and supportive of each other and our neighbours.

CLUBS AT SCHOOL

Autumn Term Sports Clubs:

Monday - Year 3/4 Football with Plymouth Argyle (starting Mon 28th)

Wednesday - Year 5/6 Multi-Skills with Plymouth Albion (starting Wed 30th)

Thursday - Year 5/6 Running Club (starting Thurs 24th)

Friday - KS1 Football with Plymouth Argyle (starting Fri 25th)

You will need to sign up for clubs by emailing the office. All sports clubs are free for this term only.

Keyham Keys



Well done to the following children for their fantastic effort and learning this week:

Daisy, Class Courage - Daisy is a 'Go for it Gorilla' for her fantastic mark-making work this week!

Stanley, Class Kindness - Stanley is a 'Persevering Parrot' for his great behaviour and being a role model for following instructions.

Holly, Class Compassion - Holly has been an 'I know Rhino' for sharing her fantastic knowledge in all her learning!

Oliver, Class Forgiveness - Oliver has been a 'Concentrating Crocodile' for being the first child always ready to learn and for the highest Dojo score this week.

Jacqueline, Class Peace - Jacqueline has been a 'Concentrating Crocodile' for a brilliant start to the year and always being ready for the next phase of her learning.

Finley, Class Integrity - Finley has been a 'Proud Peacock' for taking super pride and being so engaged in his learning!

Ella, Class Justice - Ella has been a 'Slinky-Linky Snake' for making excellent links in her Maths which have enabled her to make connections and move forward in her learning!

We are incredibly proud of you all! Keep up the good work!

Have a wonderful weekend and stay safe.

R. Riley
(Headteacher)