

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to have all our children back in school last week following periods of isolation and what a busy week they had! Year 2 and Year 4 had a fantastic time at Castleshaw enjoying the great outdoors and I have to say the children were a credit to you! Outstanding behaviour and they demonstrated a real love of learning! Years 2 – 6 enjoyed learning about the First World War in a virtual historic workshop for Remembrance Day. This was followed by 2 minutes silence to remember those who have lost their lives in conflict.

Both Mrs Hilton and Mrs Johnson enjoyed their last week at school and would like to thank both parents and children for the good wishes and gifts they received.

Stay Safe. Mrs Booth

# **COVID 19**

As you have probably noticed, we are separating classes as they enter school, in a bid to reduce the number of children who may possibly have to isolate should we have a confirmed case of COVID. To help this run smoothly please make sure that your child arrives in the given time slot.

Sadly, it has been brought to my attention that a number of our families are not following government guidance. It appears that families are continuing to mix with other households and are not isolating when they have been in close contact with a confirmed case at school. **PLEASE follow the guidance**. It is now a legal requirement from the government. Do not put others at risk. We all have to play our part to reduce the rate in our area and save lives.

# After School Care Club

We are currently looking into the possibility of providing an after school care club to support working parents. To help us plan and cost this project I would be grateful if you could complete this form. Please click here.

## **Health Champions**

This week 2 children from Year 6 will be selected to represent our school and participate in Oldham's Health Champions. They will be responsible for promoting

healthy living across the school.



Sports after school clubs



Every day at 5pm from 16 November until 18 December, children and young people can join in with the live broadcast for free on Youth Sport Trust Youtube channel. You might need items from around your home for some sessions, but they will give some ideas ahead of each club to adapt if you don't have these items. The different daily themes are below: Adventure Monday - This might involve getting children to do floor, wall climbing and map reading all within their living room

Tuesday Play - Imaginative play utilising resources in the house to create games and activities to get active Wild Wednesday - Some high tempo competitive activities involving personal challenges

Thinking Thursday – Introducing cognitive challenges for children through movement. Active noughts and crosses and introducing an element of competition whether that be against themselves, the clock, their siblings or remotely with friends

Fun Friday – A chance for children to let loose and have some fun. Dancing and doing what makes them feel good.

### Can you help?

We are trying to raise funds for our school and are looking to establish "Friends of Holy Family". There will be a virtual meeting on Friday morning at 9.30am. If you would like to support the school please contact the school office and a link for the meeting will be sent out to you. I look forward to seeing you there.

### **Golden Assembly**

This week we are hoping to invite virtually the parents of those children who will be receiving a certificate. The assembly will take place on Friday morning at 9.15am.

Oldham Council have an Emergency Need Helpline for families who are struggling during COVID19 The number is 01617707007