



Newsletter Issue 13 - W/c 11th January 2020

Notices

- **Parent Governor Voting**—Please check your emails for the link to vote for a new Parent Governor. The closing date for voting is Mon 25th January.
- **Parking on Willow Crescent**—Please be mindful of local residents when parking around school, especially when parking near residents' driveways. Thank you.
- **Mr Gibson**—Welcome to our new Premises Manager, Mr Gibson.
- **Online Safety**—As children are currently spending more time online while accessing remote learning, please have a look at the online safety information we have sent out via Parentmail today.



Prayer of the week

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Statement of the week

'I try to love others as I love myself'

Please take time to discuss this statement at home with your child.



We were sad to say goodbye to Mr Tranmer but he has earned a well deserved rest! We presented him with presents from staff and parents and when the children are back in school, he will come back so they can say goodbye.



FEM News

FEM would like to thank everyone again for their support with the Christmas activities. The total profit raised £1027.90.

FEM would also like to request any Christmas jumper donations for those that will be outgrown by next year.

Message from Mrs Chambers



Dear parent / carer,

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new term. What a start to the term !

Thank you for all being so understanding with the situation around closing the school on Tuesday 5th January. The late announcement as you can imagine threw us all and we needed the Tuesday to turn ourselves around and ensure we had got everything in place for face to face teaching and remote learning.

Teaching staff have been amazing in changing their planning and teaching at such short notice, all year group teachers are teaching face to face in the mornings and then using the afternoons to pre record sessions, locate resources, respond to children's work and access resources. All teaching assistant are in school for all their hours supporting learning in the morning and then running the bubbles in the afternoon.

Our remote learning offer is on the website on the [Covid 19](#) page if you need to refer to it.

The children have amazed us all with their resilience to such a changing situation and the staff have loved looking at the work they have been completing, it gives the staff a real lift to see how committed everyone at home is to get this as right as we can for all our children.

We have been loaning out devices to families since the lock down and I have been successful in being able to obtain some new devices from the DFE which should be in school soon. Please let us now if you need a device to help you with remote learning. We are also able to support families with paper or an exercise book if children want to place work inside this.

Ms Tranmer has been busy putting strategies for mental health and wellbeing onto the [mental health page](#) of the website, please take a look. You can also complete a referral form if you want Ms Tranmer to offer some remote sessions with your child on a Thursday afternoon.

Thank you for all you are doing, I will continue to communicate with families as much as possible but please let us know if you need any support with the home learning or possibly just a chat for reassurance or advice.

Kind regards,
Alison Chambers



Birthdays



Happy Birthday to the children who have had birthdays recently

EYFS—Grace and Oliver

Year 1—Desiree

Year 4—Ali

Year 6—Jaidan and Louis

For Headteacher's awards, please keep an eye out on the School Stories on Dojo for Mrs Chambers' assembly recording where she reads out all the names of the children who have won awards.

Home school news!

Last time school was partially closed, we enjoyed sharing pictures in the newsletter of how children at home had been getting on with their activities. As all classes are now using Class Dojo, we would like to share some of the photos from the children's portfolios on the newsletter.

Please let your teacher know if you don't wish your child's work/pictures to be shared on the newsletter if you haven't already confirmed this to us previously.

Oakham Community Fridge



EMPTY THE FREEZER DAY!

Oakham Community Fridge are holding an extra one off opening time for you to come and get some BREAD! Their freezer is full of it and they want to make some space.

Wednesday 20th January 9:30-10:30am

Oakham Community Fridge, 1 Mill Street, Oakham.

Live streamed Holy Mass

As we are unable to attend Mass at the moment, you can access a live streamed Holy Mass. Click on the link below for more information.



<http://www.stjosephs-oakham.org/index.php/news/119-daily-masses>

You can also keep up to date with the Parish news [here](#)

Bible Story Assembly



Reverend Rush, from the Market Overton Free Church, has released a new Bible Story assembly. This one is about Jesus' First Miracle. You can view the video here on the Church's Youtube channel here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hcQMqvaEE1Y&feature=youtu.be>