



St Michael in the Hamlet Newsletter November 2020

Covid-19 Update

Regular testing is now available to everyone in the city, including children and people who do not have symptoms. Liverpool was chosen because it has been under strict restrictions, with high rates of coronavirus. By taking part in city-wide testing, you're helping to stop the spread of the virus in your city. It will also help to roll out mass testing throughout the country.

If you are planning to be tested we ask that you keep school updated of progress/test results if your child or a household member tests positive. We have created a designated email address should you need to contact school regarding suspected/confirmed covid-19 cases at a time when school is not open (evenings/weekends). The email address is: outofhours@smhsch.co.uk **It is vital you inform school and keep us updated of your circumstances in order for us to keep our school community safe.**

Class Dojo

As you are aware we introduced the use of Class Dojo as a communication platform during our school closure. This has worked brilliantly with families who have connected, particularly those who have used this platform for remote learning during isolation periods. If you haven't connected already we would encourage you to do so. If you need any help with this please email assessment@smhsch.co.uk or call the school office.

Children in Need

This Friday (13.11.20) we will be supporting the Children in Need campaign. Children are invited to come to school wearing their own clothes and bright colours are encouraged!

Remote Learning Support

If your child's bubble is required to isolate we would encourage you to engage with our remote learning programme. If you do not have a device suitable for this purpose at home, please contact school and we will endeavor to support you by providing a device for this period of time.

PTFA

A Brew & a Chat + AGM - Monday 16th November, 12.30 - 1.30

Our school PTFA is hosting an online social event for Parents /Carers to get together while we have to stay apart. You can chat about school, life and find out more about the PTFA. Bring your lunch and your little ones, stay for the AGM if you like! See the flyer sent via Parentmail for further details.

Festive Updates



Smithy's Larder



We are very conscious that the upcoming festive period can be very difficult for some families. We would like to offer you the opportunity to donate nonperishable items to 'Smithy's Larder' during the run up to the Christmas holidays. The items will then be used to create packages for families within our community who would benefit from a little extra support during this time. School will be subsidizing much of the contents but we would like to extend you the opportunity to support if you are able. From Monday 23rd November we will have a shopping trolley stationed in both Neilson Road and Tramway Road just outside the school gates, you can place items here during arrival and dismissal, the trolleys will be available for donations each Monday.

'Elfridges'

As we are unable to facilitate a Christmas Fair this year we are looking at lots of ways we can still create remote Christmas activities. One of the ways we will be doing this is providing the children the opportunity to do some Christmas shopping of their own! We will be creating an 'Elfridges' shop for children to purchase and wrap a gift for someone in their household. But we need your help! We are asking for families to recycle/donate any unused and unwanted gifts to school that we can use. Children will then be able to go shopping and purchase up to 2 gifts for a suggested donation of £1 each. Please be assured this is a suggested donation and all children will get to take a gift home regardless of their donation amount. Please see below for dates for donations.



Festive Dates:

We are very keen to create as many magical experiences as we can during this festive period. Please see below the details and suggested donations for these days:

Friday 27th November - 'Cosy Friday' Children are invited to wear PJs or their coziest clothes on this day. Donation-Unused and unwanted gifts

Friday 4th December - 'Elf Friday' Children are invited to wear anything elf related during this day. This could be a pair of stripy socks, elf ears, elf hat or a full elf costume! Please use what you have at home to create an 'elf look' for this day! Donation-Unused toiletries/box of chocolates/confectionary

Friday 11th December - 'Crazy hair and a Christmas Jumper' Children are invited to create a crazy hairstyle and wear a Christmas jumper. They can do one or both-the more festive the better!
Suggested donation £1

Thank you for your continued support

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