



*St Francis of Assisi
Church of England Primary School*

“Live, love and learn together in the light of Christ.”

Friday 15th January 2021

End of week letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I have had the privilege of being able to access the amazing work that children have been adding to Seesaw. In general, the standard of pieces has been excellent. Thank you so much to all of you who have been juggling your own jobs, children, usual home life and the remote learning. You are all fantastic! If any work has been returned to be reviewed, this is because your child's teacher knows what your child is capable of and how they can improve. For those parents who need paper copies of work, please keep collecting on a weekly basis. If you ring before you arrive, the teachers can make sure learning is available for you.

The staff are also juggling planning, setting, teaching, marking and reviewing learning whilst our numbers in school are so high. Pupils in Y3-6 can access almost all of their remote learning independently. Just a quick check-in is all they need and a parent review of Seesaw each day in case teachers have requested specific information that your child has not completed. If your child is struggling to complete their learning, please contact your child's class teacher as soon as possible and they will help you all. Staff are regularly ringing parents where children are not in school to see how you are all managing, offer a listening or supportive ear and offering help if needed.

Please can I urge you again to look at your work patterns and reduce, where possible, the number of days your child needs to attend school? Although government guidance states that only one parent needs to be a critical worker, it also states that,

“...parents and carers should keep their children at home if they can.”

Children should only attend school when all the adults are working and there is no one to support them with their learning at home. This will help to keep our staff safe, families safe, reduce the risk of transmission and enable staff to offer all the help that families need at home. This will also help us all to play our part in supporting the fight against Covid-19 so that our school can re-open to all as soon as possible.

Please use this weekend to re-charge and have some relaxing time together rather than spending time catching up with work. A renewed enthusiasm and positivity for Monday will really help your child and you to face a new week of remote learning.

Take care, stay safe and have a lovely weekend.

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