

Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter

Monday 13th September 2021

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



Dates for your diaries

Over the next two weeks we will be sending you some information about the learning your child will be doing and some useful information to help the year run smoothly.

PLEASE NOTE: INSET day Friday 24th September 2021

Half term 25th -29th Oct

Last day of term Fri 17th Dec 1.30

INSET Mon 20th Dec

OCCASIONAL DAY no sch Tues 21st Dec

Christmas holidays

22nd Dec -4th Jan 2022

Back to school Weds 5th Jan 2022

Half term 14-18th Feb

Last day Fri 1st April 1.30pm

Easter holidays 4th-18th April 2022

INSET 19th April

Back to school 20th April 2022

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Matthew 5:16

Our School Value; **TRUST**



John 14.1: Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, trust also in me.

1 Corinthians 13. 6-7: Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices in the truth, it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

'Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve'

Collective Worship

A huge thank you to Father Eugene, who led Collective Worship this week and reminded us of how our vision is rooted in biblical teachings. Our vision of **'Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve'** is rooted to the message of **'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16** which underpins our commitment in ensuring that everyone in our school community has the opportunity to flourish and realise their potential.

Reading books

Thank you to Mrs Davis who has organised our online reading app. I'm sure you have already seen the video she has put on the whole school Dojo page. If you are unable to see this please message your child's Classteacher. As discussed we will need your child to bring in their reading folder and book EVERY DAY to school starting this week. Getting back to our usual routines will be critical to enabling all our children to make the maximum progress. Although we teach the vital skill of reading at school, your child will need regular opportunities at home to practise. We recommend hearing your child read or sharing a book at least 5 times a week for at least 10 minutes a day. This special time will benefit your child and helps their confidence when reading in school.

Some uniform reminders...

- **PLEASE CHECK ALL UNIFORM IS LABELLED** – lots of cardigans and jumpers have been seen left with no means of identification.
- **Please do not wear hooped earrings we only allow studs.**
- **Please remember black school shoes should be worn with school uniform and trainers should only be worn on PE days.**

How to communicate with school;

Message classteacher on Dojo about;	A difficulty in class / a quick query/good news Curriculum /about learning Change of collection of pupil
E-mail the office admin@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk	Reporting absence/isolation Providing notice of Covid results Medical appointments
Use the APP SchoolGateway	Paying dinner money Can message office through it too

INSET day Fri 24th Sept (not this Friday, but next)

Usually we put all our staff training days at the start or end of term. However, we will be holding one of our training (INSET) days in 2 weeks time as we will be enhancing our approach to writing and looking at ways to inspire our writers. Mr P will be visiting our school 'Transforming English Through Read, Write, Perform'.