

Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter



Week beginning 18th January 2021

**SCHOOL CURRENTLY
CLOSED FOR THE
MAJORITY DUE TO
LOCKDOWN...
REMOTE LEARNING
TAKING PLACE**

PSHE whole school
target last week
was;

**'Keep trying even
when it is difficult'**

We would like to
say well done to;

Rec – **Michael**

Year 1 – **Teddy**

Year 2 – **Maisie**

Year 3 – **Reagan**

Year 4 – **Jeanette**

Year 5 – **Natalie**

Year 6 – **Taylor**

This week's target;

**'To work well
with others'**

**Let's see that
teamwork with others
at home this week!**

**Our School Value;
Resilience**

'I have fought the good
fight, I have finished the
race, I have kept the
faith'. 2 Timothy 4:7

IMPORTANT REMINDER-COVID-19

Even though school is closed, if you, or someone in your household gets a positive Covid-19 result please still notify school by emailing head@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk with 'POSITIVE RESULT' as the subject heading. This instant communication helps us to support you as a family during lockdown. Food parcels can be arranged and a listening ear is always here.

Remote Learning

Thank you for all your continued support last week as we completed our second week of remote learning. We now have 97.2% of pupils accessing the learning. We have distributed devices, reset passwords and provided telephone technical support. Our aim is remove the 'digital divide' for all our families to ensure no child gets left behind.

Please remember only do what you can, the remote learning is to support your child's learning. We are also aware of supporting your family's wellbeing. If it becomes stressful, challenging or a battle then re-adjust what you do to meet the needs of your child and your family. This could be when your own working commitments have concluded.

As a minimum I urge you to allow an opportunity for your child to watch all the lessons and do as many of the activities as you can to maintain progress during this period of lockdown. Some families will complete all the tasks whilst others will do some. We are all doing our best!

Our Class teachers continue to monitor participation to ensure everyone can access the provision. Please message them if you are experiencing difficulty viewing the videos or resources and we can arrange for technical support. Please request this by e-mailing head@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk

JUST WOW!

Last week our Dojo communication had a whopping...

Week beg 11th Jan ; 941 messages 3,260 photos and videos shared

Week beg 4th Jan ; 1,230 messages 2,590 photos and videos

Year 5 and 6 Microsoft Teams is in addition to this!

To support our families our remote learning aims for flexibility to undertake learning across the curriculum at a time appropriate for your family. Good luck this week!



You will be pleased to know we look forward to supporting the National [Children's Mental Health Week 1-7th February 2021](#) we are preparing some activities for you to do at home. This year's theme is 'Express Yourself' looking at feelings, thoughts, or ideas, through creativity and doing activities that make you feel good.