



Diocese of Westminster
SS. Peter & Paul
Catholic Primary School
Head Teacher: Miss T M Peters

Friday 29th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Racial Justice Sunday

This Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday. This year's Racial Justice Sunday is more important than ever. The effects of the Coronavirus pandemic, the killing of George Floyd, and the powerful message on fraternity and equality by Pope Francis in *Fratelli Tutti* speak of the need to actively oppose racism and pursue racial justice with renewed vigour. The theme we will be exploring is 'A time to Act.'

Return to school

Boris Johnson has announced that the majority of children will not return to school until the 8th of March at the earliest. Teachers will continue to provide high-quality remote learning for those at home and Free School Meal Vouchers will continue to be sent.

Lateral Flow Tests

Years 1 to 4, will return to school on Monday 1st February after their period of isolation. New guidance that has been given to us today states that lateral flow tests can be taken even after a recent positive result from a PCR test. Before children return on Monday, please have your child tested using the lateral flow test and send a copy of the result to parentsupport. The nearest testing centre is the Vibast Centre, Old Street. Staff in school have been having these twice a week.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT) encourages remembrance in a world scarred by genocide. We promote and support Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) – the international day was on 27th January to remember the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust, alongside the millions of other people killed under Nazi Persecution and in genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and

Darfur.

We remember all those who were affected during these atrocities in our prayers this week.

Google Classroom

Please ensure your children are using Google classroom appropriately and that includes the search facilities that are available to them. We ask that you double-check the safe settings are on, and that you monitor your Childs activity in the browser history regularly. There have been some instances this week of children accessing material and discussing it with their peers during Google meet sessions.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is officially children's mental health week 1st to the 7th of February. Staff will be promoting activities for this on the google classroom. Additional information can be found on the Place2be website. This year's theme is **Express Yourself**.

Expressing yourself is about finding ways to share feelings, thoughts, or ideas, through creativity. This could be through art, music, writing and poetry, dance and drama, photography and film, the clothes we wear and doing activities that make you feel good. So for assembly on Monday morning we will have the theme 'Dress To Express'. You can wear something snazzy or something that helps you to express yourself! Can't wait to see you all and your lovely outfits.

Those children who are attending school may wear their 'Dress To Express' to school on Monday

"Jesus is a teacher of truth and life who shows us the way that leads to happiness"
Pope Francis

Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Kind regards
Miss T Peters and Miss McGuinness

