



St. John's Weekly Newsletter Friday 20th March



Our mission statement:

*“Through Jesus Christ,
all our children learn to
love and love to learn.*

*The family of St. John's
love learning and are
life-long learners.*

*Through Jesus Christ
everyone knows how to
show love to others and
God, remembering
kindness comes first.*

Communication

As we enter into the next phase of school closure, we appreciate this will be a huge challenge for parents educating their children from home. Unfortunately, teachers will not be available to deal with all queries regarding the work provided, as we continue to remain open for the children of key workers throughout the rest of the term and over the Easter break. Staff will continue to work at a maximum capacity despite the challenges faced by our own staff members being in self isolation during this time. Please be mindful that only urgent queries will be able to be dealt with and we would be grateful if only essential emails are sent to the office in order to manage staff workload.

We are very aware that the school closure will be isolating and a challenge for all of our families to be away from that regular social contact. Please follow our school Facebook page as we will be sharing regular posts that we encourage our families to respond to. It is our hope that each post will enable families to share photos and videos of themselves and their activities at home, to enable us all to stay in touch and keep the community spirit of the school going. Please join us and share this with your children to keep them connected. Together we will get through this!

Stay safe!



Happy birthday to everyone that has a birthday coming up!

House Points !

The winners for this half term are Lion!

Well done

Our Reading Stars

Bronze Reading Awards - 50 Reads

St Francis - Tadi Makumbe

St Nicholas - Evie Sweatman

Silver Reading Awards - 100 Reads

St Francis - Christopher Camargo

Gold Reading Awards - 150 Reads

St Nicholas - Beatrice Franke & Tobias Gonzales

St Genevieve - Almudena Alonso & Chloe Baker

Congratulations to these children for earning their pen licences.

Pierre Gomez, Michaela Manu & Neve McNamara

Taken from the Gospel for Sunday 22nd March 2020 - The Cure of the Man born Blind (John 9:1.6-9.13-17.34-38) As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God; he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet,' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied, 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied, 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.

During these difficult and uncertain times we would like to wish you all the best of health over the coming weeks.