



School Newsletter

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A MESSAGE FROM MRS McLEAN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the wind and rain, I hope that you have all managed to stay safe and have a lovely week. Thank you so much to all of you, especially the children who continue to impress us with their amazing resilience and super learning.

As you know, we are in the process of setting up TEAMS so that the children can have some face-to-face time with their teacher and peers. We are very aware of the range of circumstances our families face and are not envisaging changing our current remote learning offer, once we have this facility in use. The children will still be accessing their school work via Class Dojo or Tapestry, so do keep checking in on a daily basis.

TEAMS will initially be used as a once a week, optional, drop-in session to catch up. Once everyone has managed to sign in to TEAMS, children will be sent a link via Class Dojo or Tapestry - hopefully early next week.

We are very concerned about the amount of time children are currently spending in front of a screen. To try and alleviate some of this we would like to introduce 'Well-being Wednesday' where we encourage all of our children to have a technology free afternoon. Class teachers will add this to their weekly timetable and support with screen free activities. Again this is optional, so please do not worry if this does not fit with your family circumstances.

We know these are difficult times, so can I also remind you of the wealth of resources to support the mental health and well-being of all members of our school community available on our website:

<https://www.trinityefmt.dalesmat.org/our-school/mental-health/>

In line with national guidance, during lockdown, staff are working from home, where possible, so our phones are not always manned. If you need to get in touch with us please continue to use Class Dojo or Tapestry for the class teacher or our school admin team on either: efadmin@trinityefmt.dalesmat.org or mtadmin@trinityefmt.dalesmat.org. The admin emails are checked regularly throughout the day so any queries will be dealt with quite quickly for you.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support, take care and stay safe.

Kind regards,

*Mrs D. McLean
Head of School*



Our Stars of the Week are:

Mel (Preschool): Grace Tallentire for following the instructions to make some yellow playdough and then creating a lovely yellow duck. Well done Grace!

Mrs James (Reception): Ben Blenkarn for excellent learning at home, daily Tapestry posts, fantastic daily reading and doing it all with a very infectious smile!

Miss Bartle (Y1): Evie Batty for doing lots of fantastic learning this week, including making amazing adjective posters and creating a wonderful country comparison file of the U.K. and Egypt - I especially loved your 3D pyramid! Keep up the super work Evie!

Miss Yarrow (Y2): Angus Lamb for fantastic work in Science, showing what plants need to grow using Minecraft and for wonderful creative writing this week.

Mrs Wass (Y3): Cameron Thompson for incredible work in Music, looking at Danny Elfman's Batman suite. Well done Cameron!

Mr Keane (Y4): Zac Airey for reading some inspirational extracts from his book 'Diary of a Brilliant Kid' for the children attending school.

Mrs Parker (Y5): Arabella Hodgson has worked extremely hard this week and always responds to feedback straight away. Her motivation is impressive, well done Arabella.

Mr McCulloch (Y6): Bobby Walker for writing excellent formal letters based on our class book: Cosmic. Bobby used a range of techniques to make his work very interesting to read. Well done you!



COVID Update

If you or any of your family have COVID symptoms, the government have advised you to self-isolate and get a test. Please click on the following link for information on how to do this: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANY OF THE SIGNS OR SYMPTOMS OF COVID, PLEASE KEEP THEM AT HOME AND CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Thank you.