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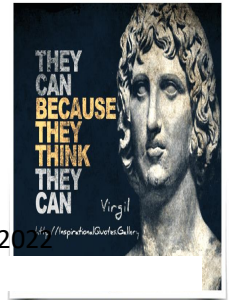


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Virgil, Roman poet,
(Born 70 BC; Died 19 BC, Italy)

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Dear Parents,

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Dress to Express!

Our 'Dress to Express Day' concluded our children's mental health week today. Thanks to Mrs. Brown and Miss Clark for leading operations with all the events that have taken place from our live assembly with a world champion to various events through the week ending with dressing up today!

World Book Day Preparations

Our discussions have started about some of the things that we're planning to do. I hope it's not a secret (!!?) but dressing as book characters and extreme reading photograph competitions are just some of the things we're thinking about for a couple of weeks after half term!

Speech Therapy Top Tips

I also came across these top tips from Louise who is our speech therapist in school and these tips can apply to all children and parents so I'm repeating the series of six top tips starting today.

(Louise's) Top Tips for supporting your child's language development: Listening is the foundation for learning. Help your child improve their listening skills by playing games such as musical bumps or musical statues. This is fun and it will improve their listening skills. To challenge their listening skills; can they listen to you clap or stamp a beat and copy it exactly. Or can they repeat a silly sentence back to you? Can they make it gradually longer and use words that are more complex? Touch to talk: if your child is absorbed in an activity or appears not to be listening, gently touch their arm as you talk to them.

Another exciting footie match We played St. Mary's, Burnley this week in another cracking game! We drew 3-3 so well done to our players and thanks for 'the management's' improving success! Great stuff!

Padiham Green's 'Second Friday of the Month' Food Bank Friday Support Today

Thank you for the food donations today. This is our *second* 'Second Foodbank Friday' of the month at PG. No pressure of course but if you can and you would like to support this initiative, we are collecting appropriate food items here. The Food Bank at the back of St. Leonard's Church continues on Thursdays at 5pm. Further information available from Rev. Kit: 07944 258477.

Website Updates

There have been some more website developments this week and we have added the following pages to the Parents tab:

- Head Lice and Nits
- Letters Home
- ParentPay Fees

Forest School and Swimming

These sessions change each half term and when we return after the holidays, it will be Year 5's turn for swimming on a Wednesday morning and Year 2's turn for Forest School on a Thursday.

Walking Home

Another reminder that if we have not yet had a slip granting your child permission to walk home, from Tuesday 22nd February, they will no longer be allowed to walk home by themselves.

Mr. Tranmer's Update

A big thank you to all those parents/carers who made it to one of our 'Safety & Wellbeing' sessions on Tuesday. It was great to be able to catch-up with you all and discuss some really important topics. Please do keep an eye on the website and newsletter for more information on future parent workshops. If you haven't already seen our 'Online Safety' page on our website, please do take 5 minutes just to have a read through to find out how you can keep your child safe on the internet.

And finally... Love is in the air ...as it's Valentine's Day soon! Dads and partners? *Come on!* Make an effort to say 'thank you' and 'I love you'! I know you probably do that every day (*like I do...!*) but it's Valentine's Day!

The day we maybe should!! So Happy Valentine's Day everyone! And I hope someone makes you feel special! XX



And the **half term holiday** starts after school today and we return on TUESDAY 22nd February 2022. Have a great rest and a good break from school. BUT DON'T BE BORED! Learn your times tables! $9 \times 9 = 81$ remember! Learn the others? READ SOME BOOKS!!! Write 50 words every day! Practise your handwriting! You could also show your teachers what you've done at home over half term too! But be cool! Be respectful. Be impressive! And stay nice and safe!

God Bless! Mark Dixon, Headteacher 马克·迪克森 校长 (王大龙)