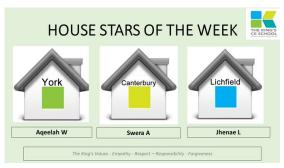
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Well done to our House Stars and Form Groups of the Week





Express & Star Article

Here is an extract from the Express & Star's article Schools prepare for return with a cautious approach published in Tuesday's edition.

James Ludlow, principal of the King's Church of England School in Wolverhampton, said the school was working hard to ensure safety concerns were met.

He said I'm really pleased that it's been announced that pupils will be returning to school on March 8 as I have really missed having them all at school.

We've put in some excellent remote learning opportunities, but it's definitely not been the same as having them in the classroom and having face to face learning, so we're looking forward to that.

What we will need to do is to ensure that all of the safety measures we had in place for the autumn term are rolled out again and we can ensure that pupils are kept safe.

We have an effective track and trace system, which means pupils can isolate if they test positive and prevent

outbreaks, and we will keep the routines and the bubbles in place throughout the school.



Lateral Flow Testing

Our Lateral Flow Testing is going well in school and we are preparing to offer all pupils a test on their return to school.

Please read the information sheet below and if you have not already done so, please can you complete the consent form for the Lateral Flow Covid Test as soon as possible. Thank you.

Information sheet

Consent Form



CONGRATULATIONS

The students below achieved certificates for MOST QUESTIONS
ANSWERED CORRECTLY ON HEGARTYMATHS



HAIDER IQBAL

EVAN ALI

SIENNA TOOBY- KENDRICK

REBEKAH GODONOU

before the February half-term.

DEVAR HAMILTON

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Lent Reflection Week

You are warmly invited to join us for a weekly Lenten Reflection.

In <u>Week 1</u> we consider our experience of the wilderness.

Why not join us for our weekly lent ecochallenges as we recognise and care for God's beautiful creation.



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LENTEN

REFLECTION

The Big Read

I Invite My Parents to a Dinner Party by Chen Chen



My Son Wants to Know Who His Biological Father is by Blas Falconer



We Two, How Long We Were Fool'd by Walt Whitman

Read by Walt Whitman

O AMERICAN POEMS

We Two How Long We Were Fool'

In Paths Untrodden by Walt Whitman



Virtual Book Club Friday Lunchtimes at 1.15pm

Year 7 Parents Evening

Year 7 Parents Evening, Thursday 4th March 4-6pm.

Please <u>click here</u> for an important letter regarding Virtual

Parents Evening and a guide to how to book your appointment.



Supporting the vaccine roll out.....

Vaccination appointments are being accessed both nationally and locally via information that is held at GP surgeries.

Please ensure that your family is currently registered with a GP.

Wolverhampton City Council have provided a vaccine information page which can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Vaccination information is also available in different languages and can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Famous faces, including Wolverhampton's own Meera Syal, have come together to release a video addressing Covid-19 vaccine misinformation in BAME communities. To view the video please click here.

Countryfile Visit

On Tuesday we were very honoured to have received a visit from the BBC Countryfile team.



The hard work that Miss Dooley and our Eco committee have accomplished in working towards our Eco Schools Award is being recognised far and wide!

Filming took place in the outdoor learning area and will be screened on Sunday March 7th, BBC One at 6pm don't forget to tune in!

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From the Chaplain....

Our reading this week starts with Jesus' baptism. Coming up out of the waters of the Jordan, Jesus has an amazing and lifechanging experience of God's Holy Spirit descending on him and God's voice revealing his identity to him: 'You are my Son, the beloved; with you I am well pleased'. I wonder if you have ever experienced one of those fleeting moments where you sense God's presence close to you and are filled with a knowledge of his total and unconditional love for you. More often than not, our lives are too busy, the nagging self-doubts are too persistent and our sense of identity is too heavily influenced by the reactions and feedback we receive and interpret from those around us. I believe that God is longing for each of us to hear him and to trust him when he says to us, 'You are my beloved child; with you I am well-pleased'.

Following his baptism, Jesus found himself led out to the wilderness, where he spent time alone, fasting and wrestling with the form his ministry would take. What would it mean in practice to live his daily life among others as God's beloved Son? I wonder if you can recognise 'wilderness times' in your own life? Times when you have felt alone or struggled with difficult decisions to be made. Times when life was full of challenges or when you found yourself waiting for signs of hope that your efforts would bear fruit. According to the gospels, God sent angels to wait on Jesus. I wonder what sustains us through these challenging times? Perhaps it is the memory of God's faithfulness in better times, the memory of those moments when you knew God to be close? Perhaps it is simply a trust in his promise that, whether we feel him close or not, God has said that he will never abandon us and that he has great plans for us. Perhaps we recognise, even in the toughest of times, the small blessings that God sends into our lives, and the 'angels' with words and small acts of kindness he sends to comfort us.

We will soon be starting to come back to school, and slowly but surely we look forward to other opportunities to leave our homes and to be part of a real, rather than a virtual, community once more. We might have mixed feelings about that. As teachers we are longing to be able to see our pupils' faces again and to hear their voices without the inconvenience of poor internet connections or faulty microphones. But the idea of suddenly being surrounded by the bustle and noisiness of hundreds of people again is somewhat daunting after having spent so much time cocooned away through the winter in our own quiet homes.

Wherever we happen to be – wilderness, mountain or valley bottom – may God's Holy Spirit be with us, and may God send his angels to bless us and keep us in the knowledge of his love. Amen

Our words to remember this week are the words Jesus heard at his baptism. Can we hear God speaking the same words to us today?



Next Week's Theme for Worship

Mark 8: 31-38

Jesus speaks about his death







At The King's CE School we believe that everyone is unique and created in God's image. We enable all to achieve their God-given potential; to grow, learn and aspire; to transform their lives and the lives of others and to journey in faith without limits within a unified, respectful and harmonious community.

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