

# Saint John Wall Catholic School A Catholic School For All



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## Weekly Information Bulletin



Mission Statement

'To educate each and every unique child in our care to hear and respond to what God calls them to be'

### **Catholic Life**

### **Prayer**

Generous and Merciful God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old; that we may look after each other in these challenging times, especially those among us who are vulnerable. May your example give us the courage we need to go to the margins, wherever they may be. Heal us of our fear.

Amen.

### **Prayer from home**

It is important to take time out of your day to pray. Consider in your prayers all those who are affected by the current virus, including those who are still working as Key Workers in the NHS to look after those who are affected. To help you pray, the Kenelm Youth Trust are leading live prayer sessions on Instagram & Facebook with the teams from Soli & Alton Castle. Follow them on:



@soli\_kyt



Alton Castle Retreat Centre

Pope Francis is also organising worldwide calls to prayer. The first one took place at 11am on Wednesday. To keep up to date with this, follow him on twitter @Pontifex. Many Churches are also encouraging people to take part in Mass from home by following their webcams, check your Parish website to see if there is a link to do this. A list of Churches who are offering this can be found at: <a href="https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/parishes-with-live-streams">https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/parishes-with-live-streams</a>

If you need further information on any of the things above, email Mr Price on your school email account.

**By Mr Price** 

### **Important Notice**

### School is now fully closed to all pupils

Please note that this is a national closure. We will re-open as soon as we can and will keep you updated on the school website and via text message.

Eligible parents will receive free school meal voucher codes via the school email system. Beware of scam emails from other sources - DO NOT provide your bank details to anybody.

### 'When despair grips us may your hope restore us'

All of us are adjusting to a different way of life in these unprecedented times. It will come as no surprise, therefore, to learn that governors have had limited involvement with school. I have, however, been in almost daily contact with Miss Marston to offer her and the staff support and encouragement in near impossible circumstances.

Thank you for the co-operation you gave the school during the period following the government's school closures announcement. I wish to thank Miss Marston and all the staff for their remarkable commitment in supporting and reassuring pupils during those fraught and extremely challenging days.

As you will be aware school is now closed. It will re-open as soon as permitted. Please continue to keep in touch by looking regularly at the school website.

This weekend is Palm Sunday marking the beginning of Holy Week. For all Christians this is a time of hope as we witness, on Good Friday, the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and then celebrate his resurrection from the dead. During these worrying times the Easter message has never been more potent so until the next time I will finish with this prayer:

Risen Christ, when darkness overwhelms us, may your dawn beckon.

When fear paralyses us, may your touch release us.
When grief torments us, may your peace unfold us.
When memories haunt us, may your presence heal us.
When justice fails us, may your anger ignite us.
When apathy stagnates us, may your challenge renew us.
When courage leaves us, may your spirit inspire us.
When despair grips us, may your hope restore us.
And when death threatens us, may your resurrection light lead us.

Amen

Saint John Wall, pray for us

**Martin Jones, Chair of Governors** 

### **SJW Values**

**Compassionate and Loving** 

Remember: Wash your hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds

### Retirement

Congratulations to Mrs Torgbi on her retirement which begins after the Easter Holidays. Mrs Torgbi has worked tirelessly to support many pupils with improving their behaviour so that they can stay in mainstream education. She co-ordinated moving and setting up Saint Francis' Centre at its present location and also helped formulate the concept of the Ark for our older pupils. All of this helped establish Saint John Wall, and Mrs Torgbi, as models of excellence across the North West part of Birmingham. We regularly host staff from other schools who are interested in setting up similar inclusion centres. Mrs Torgbi also visits and supports other schools, and will continue to share her expertise with us all as a part time inclusion consultant. We wish her all the best for the future.

### **By Miss Marston**

I first began working at Saint John Wall when I was an Inclusion Support Worker at Behaviour Support Services, and became very attached to the school from then. This school has a special place in my heart, and I will not forget the happy times I enjoyed as a member of a great staff team. My prayers will always be that we continue to look after the pupils that have been placed in our care. I am reminded of the words from Maya Angelou:-

"I've learned that people will **forget** what **you** said, people will **forget** what **you** did, but people will never **forget how you made** them **feel**."

Just a word of advice to all pupils, which I hope you will remember; it is not where you start that matters, but more importantly, where you finish. Show respect to all staff in the school and the wider community, because good manners will take you far in life. Lastly, I will be checking on your progress, some more than others, and you know who you are!!

### By Mrs Torgbi



### School fully closed over Easter

It has been quite a busy week at school with distributing free school meals and vouchers and making sure that we follow the latest safeguarding and lockdown guidance. School reception and site will be fully closed for the next two weeks over the Easter holidays. Reception will re-open for telephone enquiries between 9.00am and 12.00pm every Monday from 20 April. School remains closed to pupils and visitors throughout this period.

By Miss Marston

### Stars of the Week

Pupils working actively on SENECA:

Year 7

Malcolm Ngandu Kameron Chem
Jessica Martin Emmanuel Ifeosame
Kyra Mills Vaughntiner George
Hassan Muhumed Adam Hannan
Marvellous Aziegbemhin Krystian Mendrykiewicz

**Azhan Faisal** 

Year 8

Varlin Kaur Amrita Gill Kiet Nguyen

Year 9

Kavalnaan Singh Jemima Malundama Raphael Amoakohene Anthony Clarke Geremie Mandiangu

Year 10

**Fanus Yowhannes** Piotr Zapolny Haddyjatou Njie Oliwia Suchocka **Donat Yonas** Jasmeet Singh Salaar Muhammad **Kemystery Wright** Natesh Phagania **Roberta Ricketts** Lovejit Dhanda Jacob Milligan Karanjit Nijjar Larry Quansah Sahil Tayyib Irene Rose Jain Rvan Ashford **Ehsan Mohammed** Callum Khan Mankaran Singh Sodhi **Talullah Wagenfuhrer** Igra Begum **Harpreet Kaur** Samah Khan Mariah Bibi Esha Kumari Khadija Nyarko Saksham Dadhwal

Year 11

Rayhaan Khan Gurbakhash Singh Tanya Sajid Natalia Zajac

By Mrs Habibullah

Amandeep Bhamra

### Stars of the Week

### 8X1

Mekiah Nesbeth Brajesh Lal

Amelia Baldyga Ivie Imadonmwinyi

10 F3

### **Eva Juodikaityte**

All for engaging in a commendable manner with set Maths work.

### By Mrs Bemigho

Tomasz Czech GCSE PE - for amount of work completed.

**Nunoo Ibrahim** BTEC Sport - regular emails with seeking help with work

Chandani Chana GCSE PE - completed ALL tasks set.

### By Mr Owen

Pupils are working at home on their Science

### Year 8

Ria Droch Theo Shelley Varlin Kaur Amrita Gill Sahar Stosray Dina Isaac

Alya Khan Aundre Ramgolam-Singh

Leah Badhan Amelia Badhan Julia Zyla Himna Mustafa

Year 9

Favour Akpotowho Zainab Bouterse Shantae Campbell Chandani Chana Tomasz Czech Randul Fernando Ranaw Hamad Grace Ihaza

Sanvir Kaur Chenai Pryce-Andrade

Tamar Weir Hyab Woldai Szymon Wrukowski Jenny Tran

**David Kurek** 

### Year 10

Mariah Bibi Callum Khan
Mania Khan Samah Khan
Navien Khangura Gabriella Krupa
Rohan Luggah Mishael Madubuko
Kabanza Simamba Vidhu Singh
Jasmeet Singh Fanus Yowhannes
Mohammed Ehsan Shantae Mendy

### **By Ms Timmins**

Anjan Nayak, Natalia Zajac, Pawanjot Saini, Hamza Mahmood, Tuyyib Mohammed and Nunoo Ibrahim all have been busy keeping their scientific knowledge active whilst at home.

By Ms A Forbes

### Stars of the Week

**Ricky Sangar and Julita Wrukowska** – for Sending development homework of an excellent standard.

### By Mr Warrington

Oliwia Suchocka - for an amazing effort.

### By Mrs Wieremiewicz

Amelia Wrukowska, Daniel Wainer and Natasha Phagania - sending development homework of an excellent standard.

Jenny Tran - for some interesting research and theories about CoronaVirus. Saint John Wall's very own journalist!!!

### By Mr Woodward

**Ashpreet Kaur and Sophia Bologova** - for excellent effort and hard work on COVID-19 Presentation.

### Year 9 English

Grace Ihaza Randul Fernando Mahfuzur Rahman Adnan Tariq

For completing Developmental Homework tasks to the highest standards.

### Year 7 English

**Jakub Borawski and Faria Khan** - for completing Developmental Homework tasks to the highest standards.

### Year 8 English

**Shaweta Banga** - for completing Developmental Homework tasks to the highest standards.

### By Mrs Wieremiewicz

Nathan Jaing, Anay Parekh and Kyle Niemec 7YJ - for submitting work. Keep it up! Hope to see more students' efforts.

Zaida Khanom 7YJ - completed two lessons of English Mastery. Well done!

### By Mr Myatt

Malika Rahman 8XS Ricky Sangar 9XS Oliwia Suchocka 10XS

For continuous hard work and effort in their English as well as producing some excellent work.

### By Miss Jones

**Ashrea Sehjail** - completing GCSE questions to an excellent standard.

**Harinder Lagha** - completing GCSE questions to an excellent standard.

**Frewyni Teklesenbet** - completing GCSE questions to an excellent standard.

By Mr John

### Stars of the Week

**Jakub Borawski** - for being active and curious by completing another excellent piece of development homework.

**Julita Wrukowska** - for being active and curious by completing another excellent piece of development homework.

**Shiv Patel** - for being learned and wise by completing all History work set last week.

**Chandani Chana and Shantae Campbell** - for being learned and wise by completing this week's History work to an excellent standard.

**Kwaku Nyarko** - for writing an excellent answer to a 'consequence' question.

### **By Miss Guest**

**Malika Rahman** - Being learned and wise by completing RE work while at home.

**Rahima Riya** - Being active and curious by seeking advice on GCSE exam questions.

**Nadwa Hussain** - Being learned and wise by completing History work while at home.

### By Miss Lally

**Anthony Clarke** Adnan Tariq Chenai Pryce-Andrade Grace Ihaza Jemima Malundama loel Wren **Linh Hoang** Malick Jarju Mohammed Adam Pamela Sidhu Ranaw Hamad Regina Mukuangu Safiya Muhumed Sanvir Kaur Sarah Ishma Shiv Patel

Simran Kaur Szymon Wrukowski Temi Babalola Tomasz Czech Trish Kohli Yuseph Mufti

**Zainab Bouterse** 

For great work in Science.

### By Mrs Johnson

### Year 8

Alya Khan Nadwa Hassan Asher Rogers Amrita Gill Tre-Von Davidson Harris Himna Mustafa Malika Rahman Julia Zyla

Varlin Kaur

**Stars for Performing Arts** 

Amelia Baldyga Natasha Phagania Faria Khan Mandeep Kaur

**Tobi Babalola** 

**Ehsan Mohammed** - for completing his BTEC work.

By Mrs Breslin

### Stars of the Week

Amelia Baldyga, Julia Zyla, Tobi Babalola, Alya Khan - for submitting some brilliant work from the weekly tasks.

**Hasan Muhammed** for achieving 97% in the Y7 SENECA quiz and **Cairo Herbert** for fantastic creative writing.

**Sara Akhtar** - for excellently presented, thorough work relating to GCSE poetry component.

**Ashrea Sehjail** - for submitting several additional English Literature assignments of an exceptional standard.

### By Miss Flinn

Harman Kaur, Khush Kaur, Gurjot Singh, Kawalpreet Bedi for completing BTEC Travel and Tourism coursework.

### **By Miss Marston**

Sanjay Bangor, Taljinder Bangor, Hurun Hussain Lamar Hansel and Declan Mulvenna - for outstanding exam results.

### By Mr Hulme

Well done to **all pupils** who have shown great commitment to their online learning in mathematics and who are regularly completing their development homework on MathsWatch.

### By Mrs Forde

<u>Year 7Y3</u> Janelle Ajayi

<u>Year 8Y1</u>

Kiet Nguyen Samuel Milligan

Jarhle Ingram

Year 10H2

Samah Khan Lovejit Shanda

Mishael Madubuko

**Year 11F2** 

Ajay Kumar Anjan Nayak

Tanya Sajid

### By Mrs Forde

Emmanuel Ifeosame, Julita Wrukowska and Yuvraj Sidhu
7X1

Khushpreet Kaur, Raheem Nadeem and Sa'd Bouterse 11X1

By Mrs Gandhi

### Stars of the Week

### Year 7 Seneca

Natasha Phagania **Hasan Muhammad** Yuvraj Singh **Rohit Din** Laaiba Akhtar **Daniel Wainer Kodua** Jessica Martin Jakub Borawski Rayaan Nawaz Aman Luggah Hawa Jammigeh

Rayyaan Afzal **Tiffany Ung** Rahma Miah **Emmanuel Ifeosame Daniaal Ahmed Tiandre Wade Warren Bauwise Natalia Frackowiak Hannah Khan Adam Hannan Fabrice King** 

Year 7 CENTURY star

### Cairo Herbert

Year 8 CENTURY star

Samuel Wren

### **By Mrs Adams**

Jakub Borawski - excellent work ethic and motivation for all subjects.

Amelia Wrukowska 7Y1 - excellent attitude and work ethic in Maths.

Tanvir Ridwan - 7Y1 - excellent attitude and work ethic in Maths.

Malika Rahman - 8X2 - motivation to do more in Maths.

### **Bv Mr Hussain**

For fantastic pieces of work submitted from home:

Year 7

**Hashem Hassan** Natasha Phanagia **Warren Bouwise Daniel Kodua** 

Year 9

Szymon Wrukowski

Vear 10

Irene Rose Jain

Oliwia Janiszewka

Year 11

**Danita Titah** Ashima Harjiv **Jamal Sewell Harinder Lagha Ajay Kumar** 

**Chloe Thompson Pawanjot Saini** Makseiba Tesfaalem Frewyni Teklesenbet Ali Raza

**Prabin Yadav** 

**Mateusz Piendak Ritish Thakur** Rhea Jassal

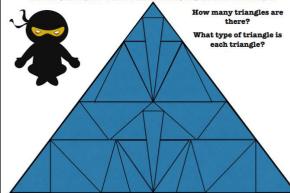
By Miss Moyo

### **Numeracy Ninjas**

Hello Ninjas! Hope you are all safe and well!

We can't do our Ninja booklets but we can still improve our Ninja skills. I have 2 challenges for you:

### TRIANGLE HUNT- FIND THE TRIANGLES IN THE TRIANGLE





I will be really impressed if anyone can find them all.

Be smart as Ninja, Stay at home.

**By Mrs Pawlowska** 

### **Isolation Activities**

Things that I have been doing at home to keep busy:

- I've been going for a daily walk to get some fresh air.
- I spent most of the week writing and sending personal postcard messages to Year 11.
- I have sent care packages to my friends who are nurses in the NHS - people like these will need lots of encouragement and gratitude at this time. This is a good idea for anyone who is at home - it might even be that you would like to design a card and send it to your local hospital!
- Using facetime to stay connected to my family and friends.
- I've downloaded Disney+ so those of you who know me well will know I've been watching a lot of movies on this!

By Miss Lally

## Science Magic at Home The Disappearing Coin

### **Equipment**

Coin Clear drinking glass Tap water

### Method

Place the coin on the table Fill your glass with water Place the glass over the coin

### Just like magic the coin has disappeared!





**Before** 

After

### Here's the science...

When light travels from a less dense substance such as air to a more dense substance such as water, light refracts. This means that it changes direction.

This trick works because at a certain angle, when light travels from a more dense substance (water), to a less dense substance (air), it no longer refract but will reflect. Reflection is the bouncing back of light from a surface. When the image of the penny comes toward the side surface of the glass at too great an angle, reflection rather than refraction occurs and the image cannot be seen outside the glass.

### **By Ms Timmins**

### **Isolation activities**

This week I have made the most of the sunshine, I have been walking along the canals near my house. Along the canal there are lots of signs with information about the local area. I learnt something new about the Gunpowder Plotters (a topic we study in GCSE History lessons). One of the plotters named Robert Wintour hid in Rowley Regis to avoid being captured.

I watched 2 films: Toy Story 4 and School of Rock. Both films are really funny.

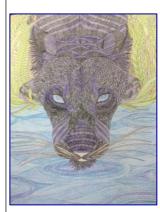
I have also enjoyed cooking this week (I'm not usually the cook in my house). My favourite dish was homemade lasagne...yum!

I hope you and your families are well. Take care, stay safe and stay at home.

### **By Miss Guest**

### **Isolation activities - Colouring**

This week I have taken some time outdoors and cut down ivy that had overgrown part of my garden fence. I have also taken part in some indoor workouts sent to me by a friend who runs a gym. In the evenings I have tried to switch off the television and do something different so I have been colouring wildlife pictures. Here are a couple of the pictures I coloured in.





By Miss Marston

## Isolation Activities you can do at Home

Would you like to be featured in our weekly newsletter? If yes, then why not attempt one of the activities below. Write a sentence about what you did or take a photo and email it to <a href="mailto:pmull@sjw.bham.sch.uk">pmull@sjw.bham.sch.uk</a>

- Meditate use the 'Calm' or 'Headspace' apps.
- Write actual letters to family and friends. After that?
   Write thank-you notes to key-workers (Doctors, Nurses, Fire service, Paramedics, Police officers, etc) who you remember went out of their way for you.
- Learn calligraphy. YouTube can help.
- Knit or crochet.

### By Miss Lally

### Fog

A piece of excellent writing by Pamela Sidhu 9XS sent to Miss Jones.

The tranquil valley was showered in a blanket of ghost-grey mist. The eerie silence of the valley caused the thick, wet mist to hiss over the nature in a spooky way. The milky tentacles danced through the trees, drifting and gliding through the twisted paths, clutching onto anything in its way. The fluffy marshmallow disguised monster blocked anyone in its walkway. Slowly, it 'whooshed' through the wind murmuring at everything it went past. The ethereal look deceives anyone who sees it; its opaque glassy texture could take whoever dares set eyes on it.

### **Isolation activities**

I have been experimenting with new recipes including chicken tikka, had a go at bread-making and managed to get very messy making pizza!

Here's an easy pizza recipe for anyone who would like to try themselves:

## Ingredients For the base

300g strong bread flour

1 tsp instant yeast (from a sachet or a tub)

1 tsp salt

1 tbsp olive oil, plus extra for drizzling

For the tomato sauce

100ml passata

handful fresh basil or 1 tsp dried

1 garlic clove, crushed

### For the topping

125g ball mozzarella, sliced

handful grated or shaved parmesan (or vegetarian alternative)

handful cherry tomatoes, halved

### To finish

handful basil leaves (optional)

### Method

Make the base: Put the flour into a <u>large bowl</u>, then stir in the yeast and salt. Make a well, pour in 200ml warm water and the olive oil and bring together with a wooden spoon until you have a soft, fairly wet dough. Turn onto a lightly floured surface and knead for 5 mins until smooth. Cover with a tea towel and set aside. You can leave the dough to rise if you like, but it's not essential for a thin crust.

Make the sauce: Mix the passata, basil and crushed garlic together, then season to taste. Leave to stand at room temperature while you get on with shaping the base.

Roll out the dough: If you've let the dough rise, give it a quick knead, then split into two balls. On a floured surface, roll out the dough into large rounds, about 25cm across, using a rolling pin. The dough needs to be very thin as it will rise in the oven. Lift the rounds onto two floured baking sheets.

Top and bake: Heat oven to 240C/fan 220C /gas 8. Put another baking sheet or an upturned baking tray in the oven on the top shelf. Smooth sauce over bases with the back of a spoon. Scatter with cheese and tomatoes, drizzle with olive oil and season. Put one pizza, still on its baking sheet, on top of the preheated sheet or tray. Bake for 8-10 mins until crisp. Serve with a little more olive oil, and basil leaves if using. Repeat step for remaining pizza.





**By Miss Moyo** 

### **Isolation activities**

I know this is a strange time for all of us, we are missing our friends and our daily routines, but to try and break up the long days here are some of the things that I have been doing with my family over the last 2 weeks.

Along with my children we decided to make the most of the lovely weather we had last week and try and start to grow some vegetables. We have sown seeds for some purple carrots, red Brussels Sprouts, colourful chard and some edible flowers. We are already seeing some shoots appearing so hopefully we will be able to plant them out in the garden soon.



I have decided to try and re-learn how to sew with my sewing machine and made a peg bag holder, I don't think that it is a bad first effort, but it is definitely a skill that requires patience and practise.



Both of my children are big football fans both playing and watching so they are missing their friends and training sessions at the moment, to counteract this they have been sending messages to their team mates and setting each other challenges, this has been great for both their physical and mental well-being.

This week we have celebrated my eldest son's birthday, which was a little different due to the Lockdown, but we were able to make use of social media to check in with friends and family so that he could say thank you for his gifts. Here's the cake that I made him, I think that I will need to visit Ms Williamson's hospitality and catering groups for guidance when we are back at school.



Work wise I have sent a number of students a link to RNIB BookShare where you can download electronically download reading books and textbooks.

Also, I am really pleased to see the number of Year 7 pupils who are actively extending their science knowledge and understanding these last 2 weeks.

Keep Strong Saint John Wall and we will see each other soon.

**By Mrs Adams** 

## Year 10 Saints League/Isolation/Prefects 2020

This current Saints League for Year 10 is on the next page, this has been based on your last set of assessment but also, I have looked at behaviour, attendance, reports. I would like to say a big well done to you all as your behaviour and attitude towards the assessments showed that Year 10 are definitely getting ready to become mature young people heading into Year 11.

I have also emailed all Year 10 pupils with regards to becoming a prefect in Year 11. I have had some amazing responses from pupils explaining why they would like to become prefects. As I said in my email I will be sending applications for you to complete online and I look forward to reading each and every one. More to follow.

Hope you have been staying safe at home and looking after yourselves and your family. As you all know when I was a Form Tutor I loved taking part in the competitions. I have been looking after my plant and pleased to say that it is growing beautifully although a little more sunshine is needed to help (pictures coming soon). Keep yourself busy and make sure you are completing some work at home any issues or concerns email your subject teachers.

As always stay safe.

By Mrs Chand

### **Online Safety**

Whilst school is closed online safety is more important than ever especially with pupils having mobile devices to use at home. Please see attached information about certain applications that parents should be aware of if their children are using them.

There are also several websites where you can gain online safety information. Key websites are:

<u>Internet matters</u> - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online <a href="https://www.internetmatters.org/">https://www.internetmatters.org/</a>

<u>Net-aware</u> - for support for parents and carers from the NSPCC <a href="https://www.net-aware.org.uk/">https://www.net-aware.org.uk/</a>

<u>CEOP</u> - for advice on making a report about online abuse <a href="https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/">https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/</a>

By Mrs Crooks

### **Isolation Activities**

### The time to put pen to paper

In our house we love to see that the postman has brought us a handwritten letter. Now that we have more time, I decided to put pen to paper. I wrote to friends and family who we cannot visit at the moment and popped them in a post box whilst out for my local, daily walk. In our road there are some elderly neighbours who are housebound and welcome all contact, both phone calls and letters. There are also some families with small children, self-isolating who get very excited to see a letter addressed to them. I enjoyed my time writing and I know the recipients will be pleased.

Maybe you could write a note, letter or postcard to someone to brighten their day. It doesn't have to be fancy paper and envelopes. You could use the picture from a greetings card you have received and turn it into a postcard, or you could cut some pictures out of a magazine and stick them onto card. The card could be from an empty cereal or tea bag box. However you put pen to paper, it will make someone's day!

### By Mrs Slee





### **Red Cross Kindness Calendar**

Use our kindness calendar to help you learn about the importance of being kind to yourselves and encourage you to share your kindness with others. There are 10 activities to accompany the calendar, here are a few examples:

- 1. What is kindness and why is it important to be kind in
- 2. Kindness in the community check in on neighbours in a safe way.
- 3. Call or write to a relative.
- 4. Write down three things you are grateful for.
- 5. Learn techniques to help you cope in a crisis.
- Do something helpful for a friend or family member cook a meal or teach someone a new skill.
- Stay at home by following this advice you are being kind to others in the community and helping to save lives.

You can download the calendar by visiting: https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teachingresources/kindness-calendar

**By Miss Marston** 

### **Isolation Activities**

This week has been a much quieter week, seeing as the weather hasn't been as sunny. I started watching 'Call the Midwife' which was recommended to me by Nancy in Year 10. It's fantastic and so uplifting. Thank you Nancy, it's one of the most wonderful shows I've ever watched.

With my family, I have tried to get as much fresh air into the house as possible, opening windows and pulling back the duvets on beds to make sure we are staying clean and healthy. Keeping to a routine is really important, so I have encouraged exercise, reading, drawing and play each day. My boys are still watering our plants, although this is now turning into water fights! Look at the progress our plant has made from last week, we think it might be a Pansy, which I love, so hopefully we'll see some flowers budding soon!

We had a lovely delivery from our local Irish butcher which contained some potatoes from Ireland. Most of you know that my family are Irish and nothing beats food from home. They arrived in a paper bag to keep the potatoes cool and dark so that they keep longer and don't grow out roots. As you can see from the picture below, they arrive still covered in the soil they grew in. The soil smells like home, which was lovely when we feel further away. You have to wash them before you eat them. My boys love water and cooking, so cleaning the potatoes before we cooked them was a great activity for them to join in with. They also wrapped them up in foil by themselves before I put them in the oven.



My eldest son has started to enjoy jigsaws and I have really enjoyed spending time teaching him how to do more complex ones.





My littlest boy really likes getting involved, much to the annoyance of his older brother because he often puts the pieces in the wrong place. He's too little to do the big jigsaws bless him.

### **Year 8 Saints League**

I've been extremely impressed with those of you who have created folders for the Saints League. If you are yet to do this there is still time, just follow the instructions in the email I have sent. The work I have been sent is very high quality so well done and keep it up!! WINNER OF THE WEEK: Nadwa Hassan

### Something to try...

Singing and dancing is proven to make people really happy and releases the 'happy hormone'. So, find that track that gets you moving, put the volume up high and sing and dance your heart out. Stuck for inspiration? Try 'Aint No Mountain High Enough'. I love this song!!

This week I wish you peace, patience and healing. God is with you wherever you are, speak and you will be heard:

Isaiah 41:10

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

I miss each of you very much! Take care, remember to stay home, stay safe and wash your hands.

By Mrs Breslin

### **Year 9 Saints League**

Hello Year 9, I hope that you are all safe and well. Thank you to those of you who have sent me evidence of the work you have being doing. It's good to see that you are still learning at home.

Our Saints League list has been based on attainment, behaviour, attendance and effort before we left school in March. However, this can and will change! When we return to school your final standing to go into Year 10 will be influenced heavily by work completed at home.

I'll take this opportunity to remind you that you will be completing GCSE and BTEC work next year. What you do at home will prepare you and give you a solid foundation to build on next year. Evidence of work completed can be sent to me over email or brought into school when we return on paper or in a book.

Alongside school work, this is a brilliant time to develop your life skills: cooking, cleaning, gardening.

It's also a great chance to enjoy your time at home by playing board games, painting, listening to music etc. Remember to keep your form tutors and I up to date with what you're getting up to.

Take care of yourselves.

By Miss Moyo

### **Year 7 Saints League**

Hello Year 7, just another reminder of our current standings for our Saints League!

When we return to school your final standing to go into Year 8 will be based upon work completed on your developmental homework AND evidence of the life-skills that you have worked on at home.

Evidence of work completed can be sent to me online or brought into school when we return on paper or in a book.

Your life-skills project can be in the form of a diary kept each day of what you have been getting up to, or something that you create on power point. It can include photographs, pictures, quotes from family... pick something that suits you and your individual talents. I want to see how you are looking after your own well-being while you are away, are you reading for pleasure? Gardening? Helping with chores? Listening to podcasts? Meditating? Praying? Cooking? Baking? Painting? Drawing? Crafting? Playing board games?

I can't wait to see your projects, who knows where you could be o our league when we return?

Good luck!

By Mrs Ellis

### Gold Pupil

Muhammad Esa (7JOS)
Jakub Borawski (7HUS)
Muhammad Atif Hussain (7HUS)
Daniel Wainer Kodua (7JON)
Krystian Mendrykiewicz (7OWE)
Ali Mirishekarikazerouni (7JON)
Krystian Mendrykiewicz (7OWE)
Ali Mirishekarikazerouni (7JON)
Zaida Khanom (7OWE)
Rohan Sehjail (7JOS)
Sakshi Mahey (7JON)
Maria Bacelan (7JOS)
Shera Khinda (7JON)
Natasha Phagania (7WIO)
Mohammed Musa (7JON)
Stefan Dahorae (7JON)
Chelle John Omozee (7WIO)
Derrek Okonkwo (7JOS)
Keiron Mokanda (7HUS)
Marquise Harris (7JOS)
Sami Miah (7HUS)
Mandlenkosi Ndlovu (7JON)
Rahma Samia Miah (7HUS)
Faisal Ahmedzai (7WIO)
Beniamin Bujor (7OWE)
Teya Davidson-Harris (7OWE)
Malcolm Ngandu (7JON)
Allyn Utomwen (7OWE)
Holly Kiely (7OWE)
Samun Stosray (7OWE)
Maria Simona Constantin (7JON)
Mohammed Hasan (7WIO)

Amelia Wrukowska (7HUS)
Anay Parekh (7HUS)
Adam Hannan (7HUS)
Dhiraj Ram (7WIO)
Pavan Kumar (7OWE)
Tiffany Ung (7JOS)
Thang Chim (7WIO)
Anes Omar (7JON)
Jasmeet Kaur (7HUS)
Ranveer Mall (7JON)
Hasan Muhammad (7HUS)
Jessica Martin (7OWE)
Maja Tchorek (7JOS)
Nikola Dawicka (7HUS)
Modou Njie (7WIO)
Manmeet Singh (7OWE)
Mohammed Abdi (7JON)
Oylan Bhandari (7JOS)
Gerrard Mendoza (7JOS)
Bartosz Jan Hamela (7HUS)
Christiana Ngobeh (7WIO)
Sara Baranowska (7JON)
Robertina Nae (7WIO)
Sara Baranowska (7JON)
Kyi Givans (7JON)
Kyi Givans (7JONE)
Shamari Feurtado (7WIO)
Julian Omenma (7WIO)
Julian Omenma (7WIO)
Sophia Baloghova (7WIO)

Azhan Faisal (7HUS)
Peter Pham (7WIO)
Julita Wrukowska (7JOS)
Kyle Niemiec (7JOS)
Kyle Niemiec (7JOS)
Sebastian Paul (7JOS)
Darren Okonkwo (7HUS)
Hassan Muhumed (7JOS)
Janelle Ajayi (7OWE)
Meher Saeed (7OWE)
Laiba Shahzadi (7OWE)
Fabrice King (7OWE)
Kameron Chem (7JOS)
Sanamdeep Kaur (7JOS)
Valerica Tofei (7JOS)
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Nathan Jiang (7OWE)
Rayaan Nawaz (7WIO)
Mohammed Hasan (7WIO)
Asthon Noussi (7HUS)
Rohit Din (7OWE)
Warren Bauwise (7WIO)
Fatou Ndow (7HUS)
Tayjuan Seiwright (7OWE)
Rayayaan Afata (7WIO)
Aman Luggah (7OWE)
Amani Stewart (7JOS)
Vaughntiner George (7WIO)
Sara Rebeca Savastita (7JOS)
Akeyo Cunningham (7WIO)

### Silver Pupil

Ubaid Akhtar (7HUS) Elizabeth Mpesi (7HUS) Davarntay Arlington (7WIO) Bilal UI Hasan (7WIO) Ricardo Daniel Dinca (7OWE) Talhah Munawwar (7OWE) Ashpreet Kaur (7WIO) Tjahari Mcdonald (7OWE) Hashem Hassan (7WIO) Khadijah Ceesay (7JON) Tanvir Ridwan (7JON)
Kleopatra Cieslak (7JON)
Daniaal Ahmed(7HUS)
Renato Dinu (7GWE)
Lovinnia Rose (7JOS)
Natalia Frackowiak (7HUS)
Hasnain Khurram (7JON)
Haider Nawaz (7HUS)
Hannah Khan (7JON)

Natalia Budna (7HUS) Yuvraj Sidhu (7MVO) Kyra Mills (7OWE) Rhodasia Welch (7OWE) Emanuel Dinu (7WIO) Joyce Makumba (7JOS) Jasmeet Kaur (7JOS) Ti Andre Wade (7HUS) Danyana Henry (7OWE)

### Bronze Pupil

Hasnain Hussain (7JON)
Yanis Nchang (7JON)
Rebeca Alexandra Dobrin (7OW
Prince Isiah Brou Henry (7JOS)
Joseph Daniel Chanda (7HUS)

Samra Mohamed (7HUS) Safiya Rice (7HUS) Ezekiel Osazemwinde (7HUS)

David Sali (70WE) John Kushehin (7JOS)

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## Do you need any support?

### Food:

Food Parcels collections 5-6pm Daily (hunger relief)
Midland Langar Seva Society
Dale End Bus Stops (Stall)
Birmingham City Centre
B4

Food Bank Centres New Life Weslyn Church Holyhead Road Handsworth

Birmingham B21 ORA

0121 507 0734

(Thursdays 1-3pm)



Salma Food Bank Unit 8 Ash Court Crystal Drive Smethwick B66 1Q 07767164246

If you qualify for Free School Meals, please check your emails as you've been sent a code which you can use online to arrange food for your meals. If you have any questions or issues, please reply to the email you received.

### Wellbeing, Health & Fitness:

- Join Joe Wicks, the Body Coach on YouTube in his daily PE lessons.
- www.kooth.com

Free, safe and anonymous online support for young people

- www.youngminds.org.uk

If the current news on coronavirus is making you feel anxious, concerned or stressed, this website has tips to help.

- BBC Radio 1:My Mind & Me Advice on a variety of topics.
- www.mind.org.uk

Tips & guidance on a variety of things that might be concerning you at the moment.

Most importantly, keep in touch with your family, friends & teachers.

### **Bereavement & Loss:**

If you or anyone in your family suffers the loss of a family member or friend at this difficult time, there are some websites below that may help & comfort you:

Winston's Wish

Website: https://help2makesense.org/

Email: ask@winstonswish.org

**Cruse Bereavement Care** 

Website: https://www.hopeagain.org.uk/

Phone: 0808 808 1677

Childline

Website: www.childline.org.uk

Phone: 0800 1111

**Grief Encounter** 

Website: <a href="https://www.griefencounter.org.uk/young-people/">https://www.griefencounter.org.uk/young-people/</a>

Phone: 0808 802 0111

Please remember <u>you are not on your own</u>- if you need more support, please email Miss Marston, Mr Price or Mrs Crooks.

### Year 10 Saints League

### Gold Pupil

Mariah Bibi

Talullah Wagenfuhrer Ebrima Ceesay Sorin Miriuta Javanie Powell

Samah Khan Colin Ndou Piotr Zapolny Khadiia Nyarko

Natesh Phagania

Jacob Milligan

Kabanza Simamba Merveille Diamsambu Gabriela Krupa Sofia Marsden Aron Michael Ehsan Mohammed Esha Kumari Callum Khan Filip Laba Burhan Lugman Vasannie Esnard

Vidhu Singh Jamie Phung

Silver Pupil

Fanus Yowhannes

Oliwia Suchoka Kyrah Masih Yerusalem Germai Shantae Mendy Jawarie Williams Roberta Ricketts Larry Quansah Kemystery Wright Sara Akhtar Jasmeet Singh Amandeep Bhamra Rohan Luggah Alarnia Walker

Ryszard Stach David Lemyoka Kaizer Khan Tamanioot Singh Haddy Njie Kevin Jiang Fritz Bayong Albert Stan Harman Ram Nhat Hoang Liliana Gaziova Mohammed Atif

Maurice Davy

### **Bronze Pupil**

Uma Abdi Stephan Ifulu Vanesa Brenkacova Alexia Ioana Contaragui Emmanuel Scott Oliwia Janiszewska Ryan Ashford Mandeep Kaur Lovejit Dhanda Stephen Odiase Kacper Chmielecki Sh'Marl Lewis Romario Pruteanu

Trisharni Jack

Rayyan Ali

Sandor Balogh Nancy Ovbije Charlotte Middleton Ousman Sonko Makaya Russell Kiarah Lincoln Florin-Albert Constantin Ahmad Ibraheem Taliah McDonald Lewis Collett Mania Khan Eva Juodikaityte

Aqib Khan

Manjot Singh

Navien Khangura

Kashaylah Jarvis Sanva Khurrum Akeel Higgins Kamara Adamson Igra Begum Jacob Brown Saksham Dadhwal Abdullah Jarral Sahil Tayyib Kiem Hoang Harpreet Kaur

Ben Okunodu-Ejiofur Salaar Muhammed Arun Kaler Mishael Madubuko Nevar Mahmood

Zubair Mahmood Donat Yonas Mankaran Sodhi Haris Ghaffar Jashanpreet Singh Simran Khinda Tyrell Lewis-Williams Ravneet Singh Sukhjain Singh Daria Denisa Hurmuzade Yuvrai Singh

Sade Shepherd Karanjit Nijjar Awais Younis Irene Jain

### **Year 9 Saints League**

### **Gold Pupils**

Baljinder Kaur Adnan Tarig Linh Hoang Tomasz Czech Mariam Ali Regina Mukuangu Alexandra Tatomir Roop Kaur Satyam Kumar Sara Estera Prica

Tamkeen Altafi Favour Akpotowho Jenny Tran Szymon Wrukowski Ravinder Ram Pamela Sidhu Salem Ghebrezghi Tina Nguyen Zainab Bouterse K'shea Stennett

Gabriela Zlatura

Yuseph Mufti

Chandani Chana Kai Chand Jimmy Le Joel Wren Sunil Sehjail Sanvir Kaur Randul Fernando Grace Ihaza Chenai Pryce-Andrade Emmanuel Baruti Mohammed Adam

Jemima Malundama

Shiv Patel

**Bronze Pupils** 

Geremie Mandiangu Usman Ali Charnae Duffield Dzesika Chroma Mahfuzur Rahman

Sophie Khan Sanj Bhardwaj Divine Osazemwinde Joshua Fadola Saul Savasita Kosi Nwananochi

Abraham White Jennifer Adamova

Mohammed Sheikh Jamal Ul Hasan

## FIFTEEN APPS

## PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT









### BADOO



### BUMBLE







### LIVE.ME







### ASK.FM



### **CALCULATOR%**



### HOT OR NOT



## **COMMUNICATION AND AUTISM TEAM (CAT)**

COVID-19 & Advice for Parents / Carers



Currently the nation is experiencing a situation we have not seen before. It is requiring us all to change our normal routines and may be causing your child with autism to feel concerned and present some challenges for you as a parent and/or carer.

The Communication and Autism Team are here to help you during this difficult time. Our families and children are really important to us and we are here to provide you with support through our telephone helpline service.

You can get advice and support on a range of topics, including the following:

- · Strategies to support access to home routines
- Motivating and engaging your child
- Tips for helping your child /young person to manage their school work at home
- . Social communication and interaction
- . Sleeping, eating and personal hygiene
- Wellbeing
- · Structure and routine
- · Coping with new routines
- Helping your child to understand what is happening
- Looking after yourself

We would like to assure you that our support remains available to you by telephone throughout this period.

If you would like to access this service please email CATParentEnquiries@birmingham.gov.uk with the following information:

- Your name - The telephone number you would like to be contacted on
- The name of your child's school
- Times and dates you are not available

We will then arrange for a member of the team to call you back as soon as possible.

'We can do this if we all work together as a family"

Visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/localoffer
Follow us on Twitter: @AZEducation #coronavirushelp









# Saint John Wall Mathematics Department Available resources

Here at S.J.W. Maths department we have some great resources for our pupils to use at home. We thought we would take this opportunity to inform all parents/guardians and remind all pupils of the fantastic resources school provides for use at home.



### MathsWatch https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle

All pupils have their own login details, each year group has <u>development homework</u> to complete on this site. Each set of tasks is based on their maths group and the work that they will need to complete for each school term. Autumn, Spring & Summer.

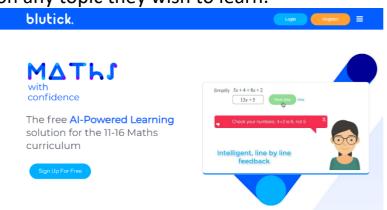
### Mymaths.co.uk

https://www.mymaths.co.uk/

Every pupil has been sent the log-in details via their personal accounts. This is available for work through complete lessons on any topic they wish to learn.



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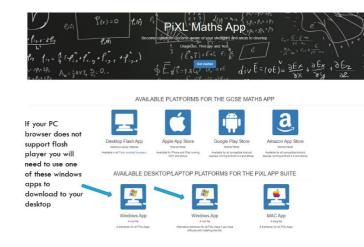


### blutick maths

https://blutick.com/

This is a new site that has recently been set up to give pupils an alternative to MathsWatch. All pupils have been sent their personal login details via their school email account. Teachers may also set tasks for pupils to complete in addition to their

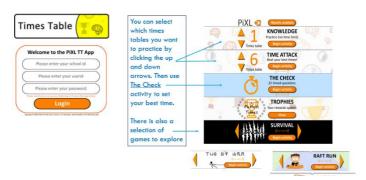
development homework.



### Pixl Apps

https://mathsapp.pixl.org.uk/

I have included the download details as it is available for many different platforms. All pupils should already have their personal login details. A reminder was sent via school email last week from Miss Allen.



The <u>Times table app</u> is also included in the app package. This gives excellent opportunities for pupils to practice their mental maths and see if they can beat their own best time. There is also a variety of maths games to play.

### **Mangahigh**

https://www.mangahigh.com/en-gb/

Mangahigh is a game-based learning platform. It uses fun filled games to teach and practice mathematical skills. There is also a leader board for each class and whole school. An element of competition helps to motivate pupils to

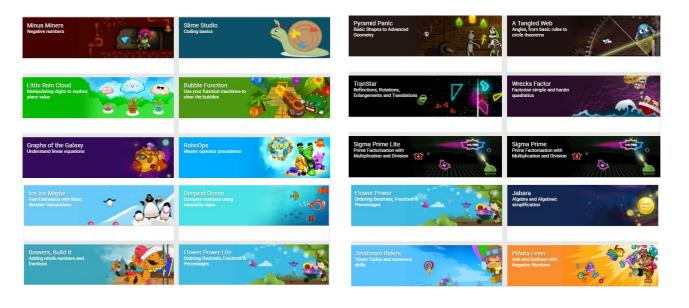
Get your students excited, engaged and excelling at maths and coding!

- Adaptive quizzes, innovative games and social competitions
- Aligned to international curricula
- Real-time analytics with AI support for differentiation

succeed through each level to earn points and medals, this also increase their understanding of the topic.



All pupils have their own individual log-in to the site (this is the same as their MathsWatch login including the school I.D. 38242).



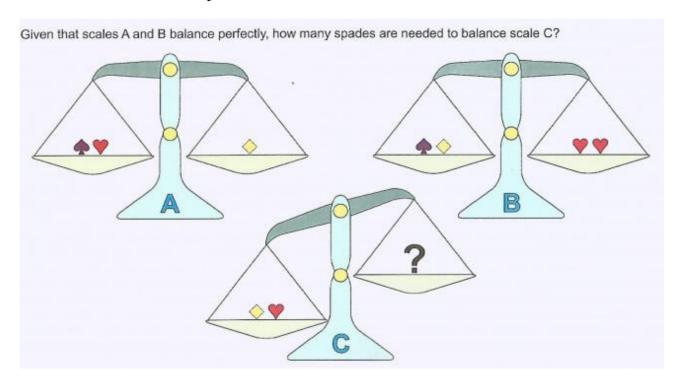
I am sure you will agree there is a wealth of fantastic free resources available to your child/children whilst they are working from home.

We would like your help to encourage all pupils to use them. We have full access to the work completed on these sites and the progress pupils are making.

It is important that pupils check their school email accounts on a regular basis. This is where they will find all the information needed for these sites and additional information from their maths teacher.

Thank you in advance for your support Mrs D Forde Maths Teacher

## SJW Maths Department



Answer in the next newsletter.