



PEARL HYDE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 05/02/2021



FINHAM PARK
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST



MESSAGE FROM MRS O'HARA

Week 5 complete! Another great week of learning both in school and at home. Sadly, we had to close two of our bubbles this week after we were made aware of a positive case of COVID-19 in our school community. It is such a shame, as we had been doing so well keeping our school open to all the children eligible to attend and nearly managed to complete Spring Term 1 without incident. The prevalence of the virus is still high in Coventry so it is important we all do our bit and follow the rules.

I very much look forward to seeing the children each week in my assemblies. Some of you reported this week that you were not able to access the assembly this week as the meeting was full. Therefore I will now deliver a separate EYFS/KS1 assembly followed by a KS2 assembly. If you have children that cross the Key stages, don't worry, they can attend together at an assembly of their choice. We'll see how this goes with numbers and hopefully the problem will be alleviated.

As we move into the final week before half-term, please keep up your hard work. Mr Jardim is rather excited about the 'Go Parks Active School Challenge' as am I, particularly as we are top of the leader board! We are only 5 days into the challenge so there is still plenty of time for the other schools to catch us up, please go for your walks and scan the codes; let's keep up our reputation of being the 'most active' school in Coventry!

As always, we are here if you need us.
Stay safe and well!

Theresa O'hara

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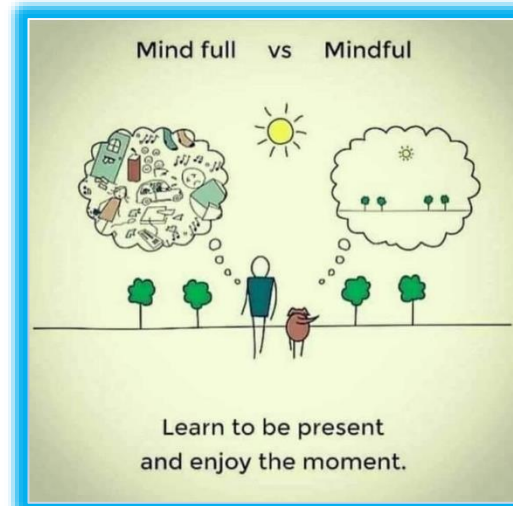


GO PARKS ACTIVE SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

Whilst the UK continues to be in lockdown, 'Go Parks' is offering all Coventry schools the opportunity to stay active and **win prizes** for their school. The challenge is open to **all Coventry residents** and schools are in competition to gain the most points to win some fantastic prizes which will support mental well-being and physical health.

There are QR scan codes located throughout the city in at least 30 of our parks. The nearest QR code is on Dorchester Way. Each scan of a code earns 10 points for the chosen school. It is free to enter, simply visit your local park or go for a walk following social distancing guidelines. Look out for the 'Go Parks' banner or poster, scan the QR code and complete the form. You can earn 10 points for our school each day you go for a walk. The email address can only be used once a day but there is nothing to stop you going for a walk 7 days a week!

The challenge is open from the 1st-28th February.



A **HUGE THANK YOU** from Mr Jardim to everyone who has been for a walk this week and scanned the code. Going for a walk is a great way to not only stay fit but to improve our mental health. Mr Jardim has posted a video on Facebook explaining how it works, so 'get walking and get scanning'. Tell all your friends and family so they can earn points for our school too.

We want Pearl Hyde to win!!!!

EXPRESS YOURSELF – CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

This week it is Children's Mental Health week and the theme this year is 'express yourself'. By talking openly about their feelings from a young age, children can learn to better understand their emotions, break down stigma and feel safe enough to reach out for help when it's needed.

Mentally Healthy Schools have put together a [toolkit of resources](#)

(click on the link – it is also on our website) full of great resources to help children, staff and parents to start the mental health conversation. Whilst we are in another lockdown, it is more important than ever to share how we are feeling with others. Please use these resources at home, we will be continuing with them when we return to school to keep the conversation going.



SUN SHINING THROUGH THE STORM



The Moat Family Hub is running a competition. They know how difficult lockdown 3 has been for everyone. But throughout we have seen people supporting their neighbours, painting rainbows and SO MUCH KINDNESS. The Moat Family Hub want to see how you have seen the sun in the storm. They are asking people to create a piece of ART or write an ESSAY/SHORT STORY/POEM with

the theme: "The Sun Shining Through The Storm - what are the good things to come out of COVID-19". Winning entries will be framed and put up in the hub and receive a £20 gift voucher. **To enter take your creations to the hub by 22nd February.** Winners will be announced on the 1st March. For all entrants under 10, they will be able to collect from the hub an activity pack containing activities for half-term from 12th February.

ARE YOU STRUGGLING TO PAY YOUR WATER CHARGES?

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THE BIG DIFFERENCE SCHEME

- You could receive up to 90% off the average Severn Trent water bill through the Big Difference Scheme
- Eligibility for the scheme is based on all household income (excluding housing entitlements)
- If you are eligible for income based free school meals it's likely that you will qualify for the Big Difference Scheme

HOW TO APPLY:



APPLY ONLINE AT
WWW.BIGDIFF.CO.UK



COMPLETE THE ONLINE
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SUBMIT YOUR
APPLICATION

The Big Difference Scheme is funded by Severn Trent Water, which offers significantly reduced water charges to some households on a low income.

Apply now: www.bigdiff.co.uk





Next week is assessment week for KS1 and KS2

Y1 and Y2 will have assessments for Writing and Maths relevant to their age and stage, to complete whether 'in school' or 'in home school'. Phonics and reading assessments will take place after half term.

Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will have assessments in Reading, Writing and Maths relevant to their age and stage, to complete whether 'in school' or 'in home school'.

Please **PLEASE** parents/carers, can we ask that your child / children complete their assessments independently. If they are not able to answer all the questions that is okay – encourage them to have a go though, just as we would in school.

We will be using the outcomes of the completed assessments to inform next steps in learning for your child / children.

Children in **Reception class** will have 'scheduled' assessment meetings with their teacher **in the 2nd week after half term.**



Jokers Corner

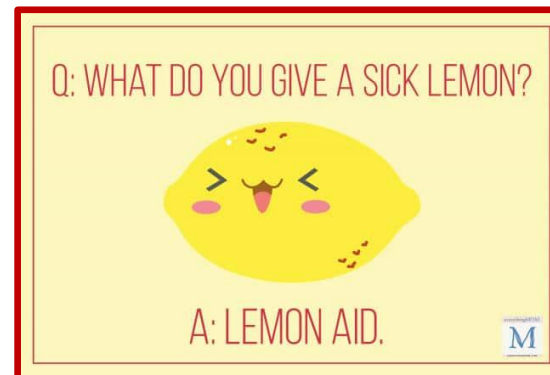
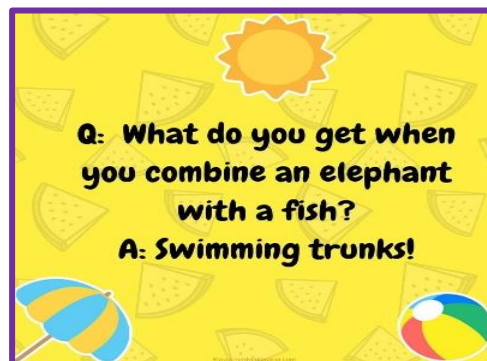
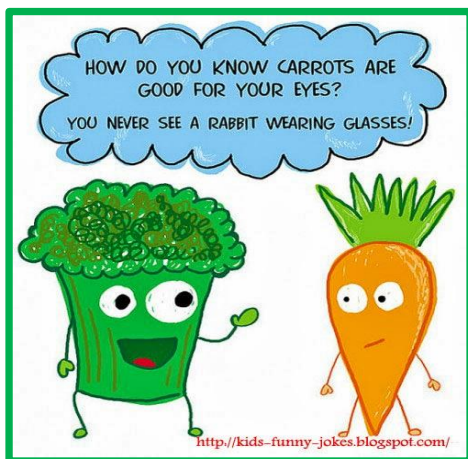
A few jokes to share with your children and bring a little fun to your day!

If your child(ren) has a joke they would like featured in our newsletter, please email admin@pearlhyde.co.uk and we can share them in this new section to help bring some smiles to all our faces... Happy Friday!

What is a goalkeeper's favourite lunch?
....Beans on post!

What has 22 legs, 2 wings and can't fly?
..... A football team!

Why was Cinderella so bad at football?
....her coach was a pumpkin!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 12th February Half Term – Get your walking boots on and get us
lots of points for ‘Go Parks’
check out the leader board on ... @covsport or @sgocoventryeast



Monday 22nd February - school reopens to children attending school in this lockdown

W/B Monday 22nd February Government announcement **EXPECTED** regarding the
PROPOSED reopening of schools