

Focus of the week~ Baptism



Dear Families,

A huge thank you to everyone for managing the daily zooms, and getting used to the new daily learning routines. Well done to all the children at home and in school!

A special well done to Mr Rowland, Mr Ali, Mr Dunford-Crozier and Ms Woods who have run the school this week whilst many of us needed to self-isolate.

Many of you will have had the phone answered by Mr Rowland who cheekily was known as "admin temp" They have been our super heroes for the week.

Thank you to everyone who was able to complete the form for childcare for the half term and also for remote access requirements. This has been my learning curve this week as I grappled with google forms and sheets! The school will continue to open and next week we have over 45 pupils in two bubbles and over ten members of staff and supplies to meet need. Hopefully this will be a constant as we move to the intended routine.

New remote learning layers will be added next week as we start our afternoon interventions and catch up groups. We promise we will try not to overload you and the children. We just want to build in layers to the routine that support the children who need a little more or who need a bit more of a challenge. Some of the delays will be trying to find alternatives to physical resources so people do not have to leave the house to pick up.

Speaking of technology overload.... Some people are taking this in their step whilst others are finding it tricky to log in to different platforms and ensure e-safety. Apart from the helpful videos that staff have created, we will be running workshops to support so please look out for this information coming your way.

For families entitled to FSM vouchers, we will hopefully be distributing this next week to everyone, please ensure you see and respond to your texts or emails promptly. This includes any technology support, once again, we will aim to sort this out next week. Please keep in mind that this is for remote learning, not in school learning.

Finally, as numbers in our local authority rise along with our community, we pray and think of the children, parents and staff currently with Covid 19. We wish everyone a speedy and full recovery. This pandemic is a marathon not a sprint and we will all need deep reserves to deal with the battering of this storm. However you find spiritual, emotional and mental solace and strength we hope you are well and if you need any support please do contact us, we are more than happy to help. We were incredibly pleased to have the videos to share for our assembly from Jane and Laura, thank you, these will be weekly. Don't forget that on our website we also have wise words from the children on our Covid 19 section <http://www.st-saviours.towerhamlets.sch.uk/emotional-and-mental-health/>

Stay well, Stay healthy, Stay in,

Mrs Smith

Tower Hamlets Talking Therapies offer free webinars for parents

Since the recent announcement of schools being closed, it has meant a lot of sudden changes for parents which can have an impact on mental wellbeing. Tower Hamlets Talking Therapies is offering two free webinars to support parents.

Managing my child during lockdown - 19th of January at 4pm

This webinar aims to look at common difficulties a parent may face when having their child at home while schools are closed and strategies to manage.

Managing my self care as a parent during lockdown - 2nd of February at 4pm

Self care can be commonly forgotten as a parent so this webinar aims to act as a refresher and reminder of the importance of self care and how to ensure parents make time for themselves.

Please note, both webinars are only available to parents who have a registered address and/or registered GP in the Tower Hamlets. The deadline to register is 24 hours prior to the day and time of the webinar.

