



Weekly Bulletin –7th May 2021

Online safety is of paramount concern to all in school. Each half term, every class participates in a dedicated online safety session using lesson resources appropriate to their specific year group. At times these may specifically respond to issues arising in children's lives. In addition to this, e-safety is promoted across all aspects of the curriculum. I would encourage parents to make use of the range of resources available to support you in discussing these issues with your children available via the school website, as well as the resources signposted below.

I am able to update you on the appointment of my successor as headteacher. Governors, in consultation with Durham County Council, have advertised the post and will be interviewing on Friday 28th May. We will keep you updated.

Best wishes and stay safe

Mr Tait

Covid-19 key messages from Durham County Council

For further advice, guidance and support, please visit: <https://www.durham.gov.uk/coronavirus>

In line with the roadmap out of lockdown Durham County Council are now offering free LFD testing and home testing kits to residents. Find out more and book appointments

www.durham.gov.uk/CovidLFT

Testing reminder for parents and carers.

Have coronavirus symptoms and need a test?

If anyone in your household has symptoms you need to book a PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) test as soon as possible. For more information and to book a PCR test visit www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call NHS test and trace free on 119

As coronavirus symptoms in children can vary it is advised that children who are unwell should not attend school until they are well again.

Durham County Council offers support to people seeking further advice about coronavirus through the County Durham Together Community Hub, details of which can be found at www.durham.gov.uk/covid19help or by phoning 03000 260 260

Online Safety

Below we have listed five useful websites to help support your child staying safe. Please take some time to talk to your children and find out more on the websites below.

Website	Comment
www.internetmatters.org	Really useful website covering parental controls, apps and all aspects of supporting parents with technology.
www.net-aware.org.uk	Great website for parents, written by the NSPCC that explains about individual apps and the safety measures they have in place for children
https://www.childline.org.uk	The website for children to get support themselves
https://www.itai.info	Support with radicalisation
https://www.getsafeonline.org	More for parents – this site explains how to protect yourself against online fraud – which is an increasing problem.

Dates

For a full list of school holiday dates please see the school website.

Christian Values

This half term we are focussing on Thankfulness as our whole school Christian Value. We will be looking at why being thankful is important and discussing what the children are thankful for in their lives.

Worship will take place in class bubbles and will be led by pupils and school staff, with video contributions from Fr. Peter and Fr. Bill.

If you would like to receive a copy of the Weekly Bulletin by e-mail please e-mail the school. Shincliffece@durhamlearning.net

The Weekly Bulletins from previous weeks can be found in the parents' section of the website.