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Dear Parent/Carers,

As you are aware, the Prime Minister announced on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February that all schools in England will re-open on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March. We are currently waiting for the detailed national and local guidance to begin to plan. We will be in touch with you shortly with the plans for re-opening at St Francis'.

### **Mark 1:12-15**

*<sup>12</sup> At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, <sup>13</sup> and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted<sup>a</sup> by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.*

*Jesus Announces the Good News*

*<sup>14</sup> After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup> "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"*

We learn from Jesus that we meet the challenges of the wilderness by meeting God daily. Jesus, the very Son of God, was ready to meet the challenges in the wilderness because He was in contact with every one of those forty days with God the Father. This is how Jesus knew God's will for His life. It is also the way we learn God's will for our lives.

### **Live Lenten Assembly**

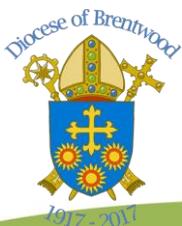
As we are now in the season of Lent, we would like to come together with the children in prayer and reflection, therefore on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021 we are having a live Lenten assembly '**Give, Not Giving Up**' led by Mrs Carter-Darby as follows:

EYFS/ KS1- 9:30

Years 3 and 4- 10:10

Years 5 and 6- 11:00

The meeting link is [meet.google.com/cej-qobw-hbe](https://meet.google.com/cej-qobw-hbe)



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## World Book Weeks

This week (week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> February) and next week (week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> March) we will be celebrating our annual World Book Weeks! During World Book Weeks, we celebrate the love of books and reading. This year's theme is - *The Wolf in children's literature*.

There are a variety of activities over the two weeks and great opportunities for your children to enjoy reading and hopefully develop some new favourite books. **On Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> March**, we will celebrate World Book Day where the children should wear a costume from the class book or of their favorite book character. This will be done during a live lesson and children - and adults - are invited to join wearing their costume and with a drink and biscuit.

Year Group	Book Title	Year Group	Book Title
Nursery	The Three Little Pigs	Year 3	Aesop Fables - The Boy who Cried Wolf
Reception	The three little wolves and the Big Bad Pig - Eugene Trivizas	Year 4	'The True story of the 3 little pigs!' By Jon Scieszka
Year 1	The Wolf's Story by Toby Trivizas	Year 5	A Wolf called Wander by Rossane Parry
Year 2	The Wolf, The Duck and the Mouse by Mac Barnett	Year 6	White Fang by Jack London

## Google Classroom Questions and Answers

Thank you for the parents who sent questions through the Google Form about using Google Classroom. It was good to hear that many of you are finding it straight forward to access Google Classroom and its various features. As there were not many questions we have decided not to have a live session question and answer session with parents, but instead below are links that might be useful for troubleshooting Google Classroom:

**How and where parents can gain technical support-**

[https://support.google.com/meet/answer/7380413?hl=en-GB&ref\\_topic=7290455](https://support.google.com/meet/answer/7380413?hl=en-GB&ref_topic=7290455)

**Google meet troubleshooting- connecting issues.** <https://support.google.com/meet/?hl=en-GB#topic=7306097>

## Live Lessons

The live lessons continue to provide good opportunities for the children to meet up with their peers and get direction from the class teacher to support the Google Classroom work.

For the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> February we will have **three live lessons as follows:**

**Tuesday - Well-being**



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Wednesday - English - Grammar

Thursday - English - Vocabulary

As usual, the code to access the Google Meet sessions will be available in your child's Google Classroom. **Please do not call the office to enquire about the code because they will not have this information.** The timetable for these live lessons via Google Meet is below:

Year Group	Time of live lesson	Year Group	Time of live lesson
Nursery	9:30 am	Year 3	11:00 am
Reception	2:30 pm	Year 4	1:00 pm
Year 1	10:00 am	Year 5	1:30 pm
Year 2	10:30 am	Year 6	2:00 pm

God Bless,



Natasha Scott  
Head Teacher

