



Loving minds ♥ Hearts ♥ Hands

Weekly Newsletter

Government Guidance



For the outbreak:

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need
as if we were caring for you.

In this time of anxiety, give us strength
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,
and to assure the isolated
of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake.
Amen.

Friday 1st May
2020

Happy Birthday
Zaine, Mhalia, Mia,
Isaiah, Hannah, Miles
Mrs Kinsella

School Meals

We have received a number of phone calls regarding Free School Meal vouchers this week.

If you are entitled to them, please continue to check your email account, especially your spam/junk folder for emails from Edenred (the company organising the vouchers). Parents have reported that there vouchers landed in their spam/junk folder.

There has been a delay in getting all the vouchers sent out from this company so please keep checking

Home Learning

Staff continue to update their class pages with learning for the children so please keep checking the school website for information.

A reminder that the main platform for home learning is Purple Mash. If your child has forgotten their username, please contact school and the login detail can be sent to you. On page 2 of the newsletter are some ideas for home learning for VE day next Friday. Please send any pictures of children doing home learning to school as we enjoy seeing what they are doing.

Purple Mash

Last week's would you rather question was 'Would you rather be able to change colours like a chameleon or hold your breath for as long as a whale? The most popular was to hold your breath like a whale. One of the many fantastic responses was from Mila who wrote that she would like to be able to hold her breath so that she can be like a mermaid.

This week's question is: Would you rather be able to talk to animals or know what other people are thinking? Write your answers on the Purple Mash Shared Blog.

Guess Who?

For a bit of fun, some of the staff have shared pictures of when they were younger on page 3.

Can you guess which member of staff is in which picture?

Send your guesses to schoolcommunication@st-ambrose.manchester.sch.uk and whoever gets the most, will win a prize. We will reveal the answers in next week's newsletter.



Home Learning Pictures



Alex has been busy every week and got a gold star on Rising Stars online. Well done!



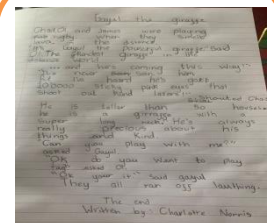
Dinah has continued to enjoy a range of learning, including music. Keep it up!



The McCormack family enjoyed doing their daily exercise in Chorlton Water Park. Keep being active!



Kymani and JJ went for a family walk and collected pebbles to paint in a bright and colourful way. Brilliant!



Charlotte N rewrote the story of Tyson the Terrible as part of her Year 2 home learning. Fantastic!



VE Day: Friday 8th May

Friday 8th May is the 75th anniversary of Victory over Europe, when the nation will join together to commemorate the service and sacrifice of the WWII generation then and now. As we recognise their extraordinary contributions, we want to invite families to explore VE Day together and help us show our thanks to this inspiring generation. There are lots of ideas on the History page on the website and on this newsletter. Keep sending your pictures in to schoolcommunication@st-ambrose.manchester.sch.uk. We would love to see any bunting, red, white and blue clothes and learning that you do which we can put on the letter next week, Facebook page and Twitter feed.

You can make your own special VE Day 75 'Great British Bunting' to display in your window at home.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4TrqYDyf4PMdLypxyTwGDg/great-british-bunting>

We'd love to see your pictures.



"To those who gave so much, we thank you,"



We would love as many families as possible to take part in the 'Nation's Toast to the Heroes of WW2' at 3pm on the 8th May, from the safety of your own home by standing up and raise a glass and say the following 'Toast' – "To those who gave so much, we thank you,". Let us use the opportunity to pay tribute to the many millions at home and abroad that gave so much to ensure we all enjoy and share the freedom we have today.

The Royal British Legion.

The Royal British Legion is playing a central role in the delivery of a range of remote activities. Have a look on their website for more ideas and activities that you can take part in during the day.

<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/remembrance-events/ve-day-75>

THE ROYAL BRITISH
LEGION



Dress up for the day!

Wear red, white and blue for the day or be creative and see if you can dress up in 1940s style clothes. Watch Spywatch to help get ideas

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wrfcYNHaXgU>



Do you know anyone who was alive on VE day?

It would be great if there are any members of our community and families who remember VE day.

Ask them about how it was celebrated. Maybe they have photographs of the event that you can look at. Research how Chorlton was affected during World War Two.

A Virtual Street Party!



Lots of street parties were held to celebrate but they would not have the food that we have today. Learn about rationing and what food they would have had. Plan your own virtual street party or have your own VE Day house party.

The use of media – then and now.

Winston Churchill spoke to the nation through the wireless. Do you know what the wireless is? Listen to his speech online and try to imagine how you would have felt after 6 years of war. What would the announcement look like on Twitter? Watch video clips of how the nation celebrated. Why might there be mixed feelings at a time like this? Think about how the end of the world war was received in other countries: Germany, Russia, America.

There will be news articles and programmes on television during the day. Take the time to watch some. Let us know what you learn from them and maybe you can research this a bit more. There are some great books based on World War Two e.g. Goodnight Mister Tom, Carries War, The Silver Sword and When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit.

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