

# School News



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Hello everyone,

#### **Update on Term Dates**

Many of you are making enquiries regarding term dates for the end of Term 1. These have been discussed at length and the following plan has been set:

We are planning to close school at the end of Term 1, on the 4th December 2020 for the Xmas break. School will resume in two phases in the New Year as follows:

- I. 18th January 2021 all senior students and staff will return to school and Mr Colin Duncan's work will be covered internally.
- II. 26th January 2021 all Primary students and staff will return to school.

N.B.

- 25th January 2021 Inset day all students off all staff at work.
- For the week commencing the 18th January, parents of Primary pupils will be asked to collect study packs from the school on Wednesday 13th January 2021 for home schooling.

As you are aware, the summer holidays were shortened this year by two weeks. These two weeks have been added on to the Xmas break so that staff are able to have a fair holiday break as well. This will in no way affect the number of teaching days required.

With current access issues and the need to try to accommodate time off-island for staff, parents and students, we propose to have primary children off for the longer duration as there is the likelihood that four primary members of staff will be off-island during this break – i.e. if all flights and bookings go to plan. With Covid-19 escalating as it currently is, of course new considerations could come into play and there may be a need for further flexibility of term dates in the future.

I hope this information has clarity and should you wish to discuss this matter further then please contact me at school.

We look forward to your continued support.

Ms Carolyn Yon Ag Head Teacher Two Boats School

#### **Nursery Transport**

With effect from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October, Nursery pupils will be transported to Georgetown at 12.30pm with Mr Mervyn. Mrs John will escort pupils in the interim.

Year 3 and 4 who worked on poems marking Poetry Day came up with these rhyming couplets:

To keep our planet very clean We must recycle and don't be mean

If you put your trash in the right bin Together we can win, win, win

There's a world out there we must protect Together we'll have a big effect

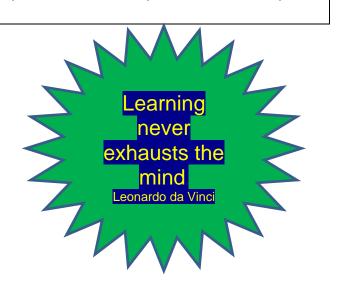
Let's be an Ascension recycling team

And then we can be super green!



#### School photographs for students

Miss Kelly Leo will be in school on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October** to take photographs. Order forms were previously issued in July and should have already been submitted to Kelly.





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### **Recycling Week**

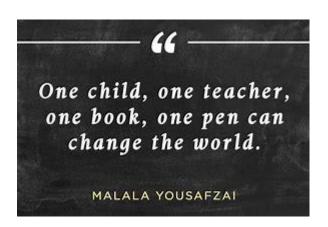
Year 1 and 2 have spent the last two weeks looking at how to be more 'green'. No, we don't mean green like the Hulk! We mean more environmentally friendly! Last week was Recycling Week and the children and parents made some absolutely fantastic posters and sculptures to encourage people to recycle. We had elephants, boats, dogs, fairy light holders and even a dream catcher! We shared all that we'd learnt during assembly on Friday. Did you know that a nappy can take up to 500 years to completely decompose? Crazy!

Remember everyone: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle! Miss Collard



Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 is World Teacher's Day.

What can we do to show teachers that they are appreciated for their hard work and commitment to the lives of our children?



Thank you to everyone who attended our Primary Maths session on Thursday. It was fantastic to see some keen mathematicians enjoying a biscuit or two. Get practicing that long division!



Next week, Mrs Roberts and I will be leading a **Phonics** workshop for **Primary Parents**. If you're looking for ways to support your children with early reading, then come along on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 17:30 – 18:30**. Mrs Roberts will bring the knowledge and I'll bring the biscuits! We look forward to seeing you there!

Miss Collard

Have a look at Riley's awesome Viking longboat that he made for our topic this half-term! Great job Riley – very creative! Mr Britten

