



Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome back the children in key year groups, as well as the children of key workers, and have the school filled with the sound of happy chatter and activity. All of the children have adapted brilliantly to the new rules and regulations and are enjoying being reunited with their friends and teachers. Whilst we still regret that we are unable to open for all of our children, the good news is that the government has now officially announced that schools will reopen fully in September. Clear guidelines and risk assessments will remain in place for the foreseeable future and we will be writing to you all to inform you fully of the arrangements for September. The overarching principle is that children will be organised into class 'bubbles' and contact between classes will continue to be reduced by keeping the bubbles separate at all times. Full details to follow.

Some of the parents of our key workers and key year groups initially expressed some anxiety about the new arrangements but have subsequently fed back to school that their children are happy, settled and have adapted really well to the new classroom arrangements. I hope this will offer some reassurance to those families who may be feeling anxious about returning in September, after such a long break. We are absolutely focused on delivering our usual rich and balanced curriculum with lots of exciting learning planned for the pupils in September. This will be enhanced by the completed classrooms and brand new resources. For those pupils who may need some extra help, a programme of personalised intervention will be actioned promptly. We are very much looking forward to resuming some normality in September. As with all these plans, a final government review will take place in mid-August to confirm the opening but we will keep you fully updated.

I am very aware that you will be keen to know the class arrangements for September so that you can start to prepare your child. We are currently in the process of recruiting a teacher to cover the KS2 maternity leave (this process was unavoidably delayed due to Covid19) and hope to disclose the arrangements for September next week. Your child's new teacher for September will then make contact with you, via Google Classroom, and provide lots of information about what to expect in their new class.

As well as welcoming back additional pupils, we were absolutely delighted to see the return of Mrs Morris to Class Reception. Her strength and positivity under very difficult circumstances have been truly inspirational. This has been reflected in her daughters who have also returned to Edenfield and amazed us all with their approach to school life. Mrs Morris would like me to pass on her grateful thanks for all your support, messages, generosity, and thoughtful gifts and gestures. These have brought great comfort to her family during what continues to be a challenging time. We will continue to wrap her in our care and also thank you for respecting her privacy in the school environment.

Finally, a quick reminder that it will be **Art Week** next week. For those families working from home, your class teachers should have uploaded the resources you may need; if you require the school to provide any of this equipment for you, please contact the office and we will assist.

Weekly Worship Focus

Generosity

BIBLE VERSE

Jesus looked around and saw rich people dropping their gifts in the Temple treasury, and he also saw a very poor widow dropping in two little copper coins. He said, "I tell you that this poor widow put in

more than all the others. For the others offered their gifts from what they had to spare of their riches; but she, poor as she is, gave all she had to live on.”

You can find this in the Bible, in the book of Luke, chapter 21, verses 1-4.

Younger children might like to watch this version of the story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IYCHAEI6rps>

Creative Prayer

Map Prayers

Find your area on a map (Google Maps); what can you see? Your school, your house, the church, your family home or friends' houses, a care home or hospital? (Or, you could draw your own map and write a list of places in your area). Pick a place on the map, pray for that place, and the people that live or work there. Be generous with the time you take to do this.

Wondering

I wonder what generosity means to you?

I wonder when you have witnessed an act of generosity?

I wonder if you can think of ways to be generous?

I wonder if you can think of examples of when Jesus was generous?

Creative Prayer 2

Generosity Bowl

The widow gave all she had. She showed generosity of heart – even if she did not have the money she would have given something else, like her time. Take a bowl - it could be something similar into which the widow dropped her coins. What gifts do you have to bring? What things do you have with which you can be generous? It might be your time, sorting out belongings ready for the charity shop, saying a kind word to someone, doing a job around the house unasked, or offering to spend time with someone in the household. Take some pieces of paper, write one thing on each piece, and put it in the bowl. Do as many as you can think of! Each day, take one piece of paper from the bowl and do that thing. Thank God that he has given you all these gifts and ask him to help you find ways to share them.

Daily Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you that you give each of us gifts and abilities. Help us to be thankful for these and generous in sharing these with others. Forgive us for the times when we do not do this and help us always to follow the examples of generosity Jesus showed us. **Amen**

Warm wishes,

C. L. Garner



STARS OF THE WEEK

Friday 26th June

Reception Class: Charlotte Giblin, Lucienna Hague

Class 1: Henry Monaghan, Harry Morrison

Class 2: Elliott Paintin, Freya Scully

Class 3: Hugo Walden, Phoebe Gregson

Class 4: Barney Morrison, Iris Wild

Class 5: Ruben Mead, Leo Giles

Class 6: Charlie Wilcock, Neve Cottam



STARS OF THE WEEK

Friday 3rd July

Reception Class: Tobie Parkinson, Isabella Wall

Class 1: Catherine Riley, Cohen Barker

Class 2: Hollie Tozer, Tess Giblin

Class 3: Oscar Bennett, Alice Riley

Class 4: Evie Scully, Siena Barker

Class 5: Lilia Paintin, Dziugas Raubutas

Class 6: Isabella Meager, Brock Greenwood

