# Deal Parochial Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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**Dear Families** 

### Happy half term to you all

Well, the end of term is already upon us. It has been an incredibly busy term for teachers and all learners. Thank you for all your hard work and support as this period of partial school closure has meant that we have all had to continue to work in new and different ways.

Heavenly Father, during this Lenten season, give me a new and expanded vision for my life. Help me to live full of faith. Teach me to find hope in the face of adversity.

Over the next week's break there are a few traditional celebrations taking place across the country. Just in case we are stuck inside with wintry weather, here are some simple suggestions for some child centred family activities for you to carry out at home.



Heart-Shaped Emoji Valentines. Happy Valentines to you all!

These simple emoji faces are cute crafts and a great way to practice simple cut and paste skills. The adorable heart shape is great for a Valentine's theme or just for fun!



These emoji faces can be made from scratch with construction paper or using the template.

Heart Glasses Paper Craft



This is an easy colour, cut and paste paper craft that creates a cute pair of heart glasses for you to wear on Valentine's Day.

The Heart Shapes Buddy – give it a name and a kindness wish.

















### Tuesday 16th February: What do we celebrate on Shrove Tuesday?

**Pancake Day**, or **Shrove Tuesday**, is the traditional feast day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Lent – the 40 days leading up to Easter – was traditionally a time of fasting and on **Shrove Tuesday**, Anglo-Saxon Christians went to confession and were "shriven" (absolved from their sins).

Traditionally, people run in a race with a pancake in a pan. As they run, they have to toss the pancake (throw the pancake in the air and catch it in the pan) several times. In some pancake races people dress up in fancy dress costumes. Why not have your own family pancake garden race?!

## Wednesday 17th February

**Ash Wednesday** is **important** because it marks the start of the Lenten period leading up to Easter, when Christians believe Jesus was resurrected. The **ashes** symbolize both death and repentance. During this period, Christians show repentance and mourning for their sins, because they believe Christ died for them.

On this day, why not have a quiet reflection time and think about the everyday errors we all make and how to change. Some people give up something they enjoy during Lent, such as chocolate, sugar in tea, biscuits, sweets etc. Could you do that?

Write and illustrate a short, handy prayer that can remind and inspire you this Lent.

#### **CBBC** update

The school has been contacted about Blue Peter & I'd like to share this with you. The BBC has revamped their CBBC YouTube Channel.

They are inviting families across the country to take a look for entertainment at half term and outside of home-schooling hours, and during lockdown.

The BBC is uploading videos daily that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. To quote,

"We have all the top CBBC brands on here, with a wide range of genres from factual shows, news, dramas, comedy to entertainment. Programmes like Horrible Histories, Blue Peter, Newsround, The Next Step, Saturday Mash-Up, Operation Ouch, the Playlist, the Dumping Ground, Heirs of the Night and Jamie Johnson. We are also welcoming back Dani Harmer in the brilliant new programme My Mum Tracy Beaker".

If you are interested in this, you are invited to subscribe to <a href="www.youtube.com/cbbc">www.youtube.com/cbbc</a> - (it's obviously completely free to subscribe!) and don't forget to watch the CBBC live daily and on the BBC iPlayer.

I hope that you all keep warm and enjoy the time to rest with your families.

#### Switch off, laugh loudly and keep safe.

Kind regards and happy holiday Ms Justine Brown - Head Teacher















## School Events to look forward to in Term 4

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS	HOME LINKS AND INFO
22-02-21	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4		
25-02-21	Extended Writing day	Off curriculum writing challenge	Titles and guidance will be sent out from each class teacher
01-03-21	World Book day	Sponsored reading week	World Book Day – Make a character from an egg box Mrs Bridgeland will send out leaflets and information on how to join in.
08-03-21	British Science Week	School and remote education activities	Mrs Bowles has a whole week of activities planned. Video lessons are already being made starring our very own scientist Mrs Hodgson. Please save kitchen roll tubes and clear plastic bottles (500ml size is perfect) to be saved/brought in.
15-03-21	Super Powers week	Comic relief charity £1 - super power capes	Start to think about what super talent or power you have. We're showing off our own talents this year wearing homemade capes.
21-03-21	National Poetry day	Linked to above	ТВА
29-03-21	Holy Week & Easter celebration	Prayer stations via TEAMS.	Activities and stories to share will be made available.
Thursday 01-04-21	Last day of term 4	HT Cup & class lead worship	Year 3 to lead worship.















