



Friday 22nd January 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff

I hope that you are all well and that everything is going as well as possible for you all; this newsletter comes with our very best wishes.

As we come to the end of the third week of home learning, I wanted to share with you the poem Mr Mooney read in assembly earlier this week. It is one of my favourites and I share it with you today if you need to hear these words.

Footprints

*One night I dreamed a dream.
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.*

*After the last scene of my life flashed before me,
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,
there was only one set of footprints.*

*This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,
You'd walk with me all the way.
But I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome times of my life,
there was only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why, when I needed You the most, You would leave me."*

*He whispered, "My precious child, I love you and will never leave you
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.
When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you."*

Stars of the week

We continue to be so very proud of all of our children and the way they have adapted to home learning!

Class	Stars of the week
RED	Ines and Benjamin
ORANGE	Evie and Ornella
YELLOW	Faye and Albert
GREEN	Tristan and Santi
BLUE	Christ Victory and Esther
INDIGO	Rajarshi and Gabrielle
AMETHYST	Lidia and Ferdinand
VIOLET	Sasha and Freddie

Birthdays this week:

In assembly we said happy birthday to Oliver, Indigo Class, Evie and Anya in Orange Class, and Matilda and Isabella in Green Class,

Many happy returns to anyone who celebrated their birthday this week including: Mrs Brotherton,

Staying Active

The Croydon Schools Sports Partnership have asked us to share their resources for staying active. Some lovely ideas here for all the family!

<https://www.croydonssp.co.uk/keeping-active-at-home/active-challenges>

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKRAAd2hUGifRVHcPzY9nVUy8gqRt0OHJf>

Keeping in Touch 'Photo' newsletter

I would like to start a monthly 'photo' keeping in touch newsletter, as a way to find out what everyone has been up to and another way to keep in touch and stay up to date with news. I would like to do a January version next week. If you would like to send me a photograph to include in this new newsletter then please do so. Photos could include... new pets (or existing pets), baking, views from walks, poems or stories children may have written, lego models etc etc

Please send to my class email address violet@margaretroper.croydon.sch.uk with the subject line 'Keeping in touch'

Please only send photos you are happy for me to share with the whole school community. I will be collating pictures on Friday 29th January so please share by 12pm on that day. I can't wait to see what you have all been up to. If it proves successful we will then do another in February!

Thank you all so much for continued support and kind messages

Have a good weekend

Miss Holloway and Mr Mooney