

## The Blue Letter: 2nd October 2020



Dear Parents/Carers ,

Thank you for your support with the start and ends of the day. We have reviewed how this is working for school and for parents and although we want to avoid making too many changes, we think we can make the system work better for everyone. The details are in a separate letter which has been sent home with your child and emailed to you.

Unless you have an agreed care plan with the school, please don't send any hand gel or hand cream to school with your child.

Can I ask that you don't put anything into your child's book bag other than books or paper. We have just purchased new reading books for the children to bring home and read with you. Water bottles, hand sanitiser, fleeces and so on, can damage the books and the idea of the book bag is to keep the books safe. It is possible to purchase a water bottle carrier which attaches to a book bag if you would like to make it easier for your child to carry the bottle. This example is from [https://](https://bottlebuddi.co.uk/product/blue-bottle-buddi/)



[bottlebuddi.co.uk/product/blue-bottle-buddi/](https://bottlebuddi.co.uk/product/blue-bottle-buddi/) but there other variations on the market. If your child needs a new water bottle they can use whatever style of bottle they choose, otherwise we have spare lids which can be replaced on an existing Portsmouth Water Bottle. These are available from the office. Please email the office and they will be sent home with your child.

We have a company coming in next week to make a promotional film for the school. This will be available on the school website for prospective parents to view instead of an open day. It will also give you the opportunity to see what is happening in school currently while you are unable to come in.

If you do not want your child to appear on the film please let us know before the end of the school day on Tuesday.

Having received a quote for a school tracksuit, we have decided that the cost is too much to add to the cost of the school uniform. On cold PE days your child is welcome to wear a sensible pair of leggings or tracksuit bottoms (black or royal blue if possible) with their school PE t-shirt and jumper or fleece. Don't forget coats everyday now please.

Please make sure you read the note from Owl Class about next week's Collective worship.

## Collective Worship

This week in Worship we have been learning about compassion. We found the Four Streets Project (a charity based in Chichester) which is run by Donna Ockednen and her daughters.

Sadly, we can not have our usual Harvest Festival in church this year, so an idea we have had as an alternative is to support the Four Streets Project. You can help us to support the project by bringing in something from their wish list during next week. IF you want to learn more, go to [www.fourstreetschichester.org.uk/wish-list/](http://www.fourstreetschichester.org.uk/wish-list/)

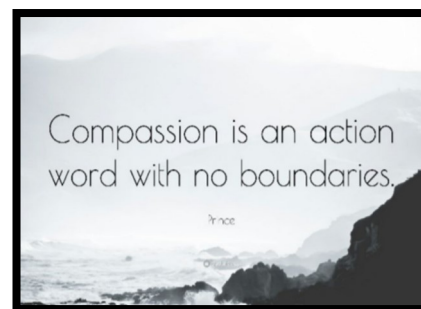
Thank you for your contributions, kindness and compassion. We appreciate it very much.

Max, Maddie, Nina, Archie, Thomas and the rest of Owl Class.

During worship next week our focus will be Harvest and we will continue the theme of compassion.

Roll mats  
Sleeping bags  
Clothing  
Toothbrushes  
Disposable cups  
Hand sanitiser\*  
Mini toothpaste\*  
Hairbrush  
Anti-perspirant\*  
Tents  
Rucksack  
Fragrance free baby wipes  
Tissue packets\*  
Individual chocolates eg: kit kat  
Plain black socks (male and female)  
Plain black pants (male and female)  
\*All mini/ travel sizes please

Or visit amazon to view our wish list here: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/registry/wishlist/32LS3W0CCO4XI>



## Picture News

### **Should you always try to win?**

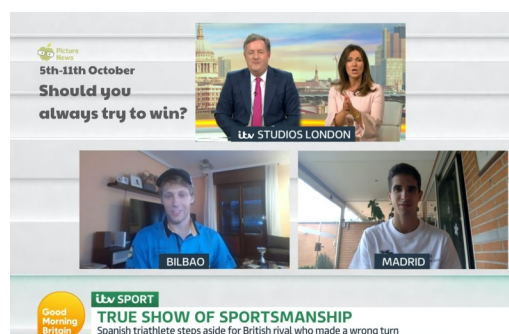
A Spanish triathlete has received praise from all around the world for letting his opponent win third place in a race after he took a wrong turn. Diego Mentriga allowed Britain's James Teagle to finish ahead of him in the Santander Triathlon, after he made the wrong turn towards spectators less than 100 metres from the finish line. Teagle threw his hands in the air in agony as Mentriga overtook him. Realising his opponent's error, the 21-year-old slowed down and stopped short of the finish line. Teagle finished third by a fraction of a second.

### Things to talk about at home...

Can you remember a time you've taken part in a competition or sports event? What was it?

How did you feel before the event? After the event?

Have you ever won or lost a competition or event that was important to you? How did you feel?



## Achievers

Well done this week to:



Morgan, Luke and Sienna from Owl Class.

Daniel, Leo, Lollie and Elodie from Fox Class.



Darcey, Anabelle, Isla, Lillie-Mae and Jonathon from Squirrel Class.