



20 November 2020

## Newsletter

Dear Parents

Our focus **Character Virtue** for November is:

### **Be honest**

*Being truthful with ourselves and everyone so we grow, develop and understand.*

**Please support this message at home by celebrating and encouraging honesty in your children, as we will be doing at school.**

**Please continue to send in any messages of children showing the focus character virtue at home and we will celebrate this in school.**

<b>Important Dates</b>	
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School closes at 13:00
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec – Fri 1 Jan	Christmas holiday
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset day – school closed

### School Council – British Legion Poppy Sale



The School Council sold poppies in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you to everyone who purchased a poppy, the school raised €400.00 for the appeal. A special thank you to Miss Hyde for her help organising the Poppy sale.



### Parents Consultations

Necessity, as they say, is the mother of invention, and the restrictions imposed on us by the Covid-19 pandemic have created opportunities for imaginative solutions to the challenges of continuing the well-established routines and rhythms of the British Section's academic year.

A recent example of this can be found in the very successful Parental Consultation Evenings held in the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> November. Teachers and parents were able to dig deep into their Character Virtue of *Being Brave* and their Learning Powers of *Having a go* and *Don't give up* to master the dark arts of virtual meetings via Teams.

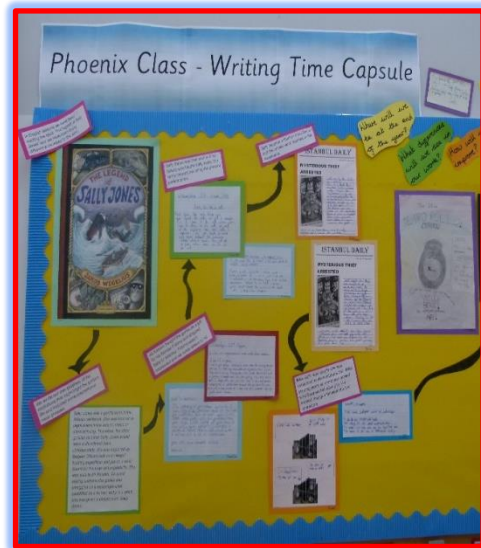
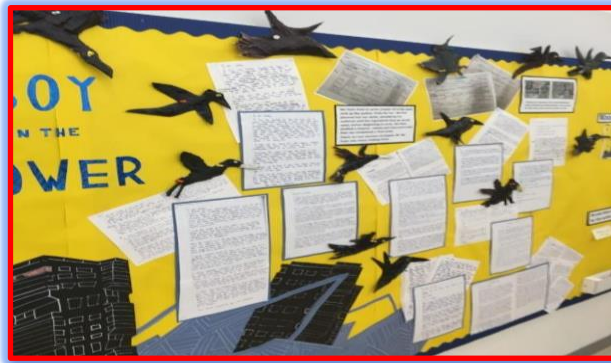
As this is the first time that we have conducted Parental Consultations in this manner, we would welcome any feedback with regards to what went well and what could be made even better.

Please feel free to contact our Deputy Head Teacher, Ian Ratcliffe, on [ian.ratcliffe@modschools.org](mailto:ian.ratcliffe@modschools.org).

We would very much value your thoughts and opinions on this interactive experience.

## A celebration of displays

As we continue to enhance the school environment I would like to take this opportunity to share some of the wonderful displays that all our years groups have developed. It is delightful to walk the corridors and find all the new and exciting ways we are celebrating our children's achievements.



Have a great weekend!

Mr J Niedzwiedzki

Headteacher

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October 21st, 2020

**IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION – SCHOOL BUS SERVICE**  
**Possible route cancellation**

Dear parents, Dear students,

We are facing some organisational issues and shortage of resources that might oblige us to cancel a School Bus route or more at some point.

Therefore, we would like to ask you to check daily the status of your child(ren) school bus route before heading to the pick-up point.

This information will be made available and updated as often as needed on the following channels of communication :

- 1. Message sent out via SHAPE Notification page on facebook**
- 2. School Bus coordinators at 065/44.40.13 (weekdays from 07.30)**
- 3. School Bus Customer Help-Line Ext. 065/44-2000 + enter 6033 for the bus service (only from no-SHAPE lines or mobiles).**

It is also important to remember that **if a bus has not arrived 15 minutes after pick-up time, parents must make their own arrangements to get their children to school.**

You can be assured that the safety of your child(ren) remains our priority. We thank you for your comprehension and collaboration. Stay safe!

School Bus Section Team.



## SHAPE and Brussels - Update 1 Oct 20

### What to Do if you have Symptoms of COVID-19

If you have any of:

- **Fever**
- **Cough**
- **Shortness of breath**
- **Loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell** You

should...

1. **ISOLATE** for 10 days. Household members must also isolate for 14 days. Recommendation may change following clinical assessment and test result.

2. **CONSULT** your UK healthcare provider. DO NOT attend a Facility in person.

**During working hours:** Call UK medical centre **+32 65 44 5824**. A clinician will call you back to arrange assessment and test.

**Out of hours:** If you are well with mild symptoms call the medical centre in the morning. If you need advice OOH call HEALIX **+44 208 4817800**. They will direct you to a route of assessment as required.

3. **INFORM** your **line manager** and the NSE of your absence (or WFH). They may ask you to identify your movements prior to having symptoms to allow them to work with Prev Med on contact tracing should you test positive.

**Working hours:** NSE (who will inform COVID Ops)

**Out of hours:** European Duty Field Officer on **+32 479 911075**

4. **TRACE** If advised to phone the Prev Med team at SHAPE to initiate contact tracing the numbers are: +32 65 325336 or OOH +32 47 6760327.

If you are advised to isolate

## Isolate yourself



Stay in your home or accommodation, do not go to work, school or other public areas



Separate yourself from others in your home or accommodation



Do not have visitors in your home or accommodation



Use **separate facilities** if sharing, these should be cleaned before use by others



Have food, medication & other supplies **delivered to you**



Try to **keep away from your pets**. If unavoidable, wash your hands before & after contact

## Prevent the spread of infection



**Cover** coughs & sneezes with a tissue



Place the tissue in a **bin**



Wash your hands with **soap & water**



Use **separate household items** like towels, bedding, toothbrushes, cups & dishes



**Wear a mask** when you are around others, if you have been told to do so

### Wash hands with soap & water:



Before cooking & eating



After using the toilet

## Take care of your health & wellbeing

### For those with symptoms of infection:



Get plenty of rest until you feel better



Drink enough fluids so that you pass urine regularly



Take paracetamol as advised, to reduce pain & fever

### For everyone in self-isolation:



Keep in contact with friends & family by phone, video & online



Carry on hobbies & interests within your home if you are able to



Take regular exercise within your home if able

For up to date advice for people living in Belgium visit:

<https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/>