

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2021

Vantage Academy Trust - IT

The Trust has invested in new IT for every Key Stage 2 child across our Vantage schools. Each pupil in Key Stage 2 will have a chromebook to use in lessons and staff will also receive a new laptop and PC for each classroom. A training programme for Google Classroom has been planned and will be delivered across this academic year for all teaching staff.

We will continue to deliver and improve our International Primary Curriculum and use this technology alongside it to enrich the curriculum further.

Safer Internet Week



Children are using technology more and more as part of everyday life, remote learning and in school learning. It is vital that they learn to use it in a safe way. Please visit <https://www.sthildasprimary.co.uk/internet-safety/> for lots of information and tips on staying safe online and monitoring your child's use of apps. There will be a series of activities and an assembly this week to promote safe internet use for pupils.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2021>

School Places Available

We want to be the school of choice for pupils in the area. We are proud of our Church of England values and the multicultural richness of our St Hilda's family. There are still school places available across each year group and we would love for you to spread the word about our school. We pride ourselves on knowing our children and families well and treating each other with care and respect. We offer an exciting and engaging IPC curriculum that encourages children to flourish and thrive. If you know a family who would like to enquire about places, please direct them to www.sthildasprimary.co.uk or email the school office on sthoffice@vantageacademies.co.uk to arrange an appointment with Miss McCoy.

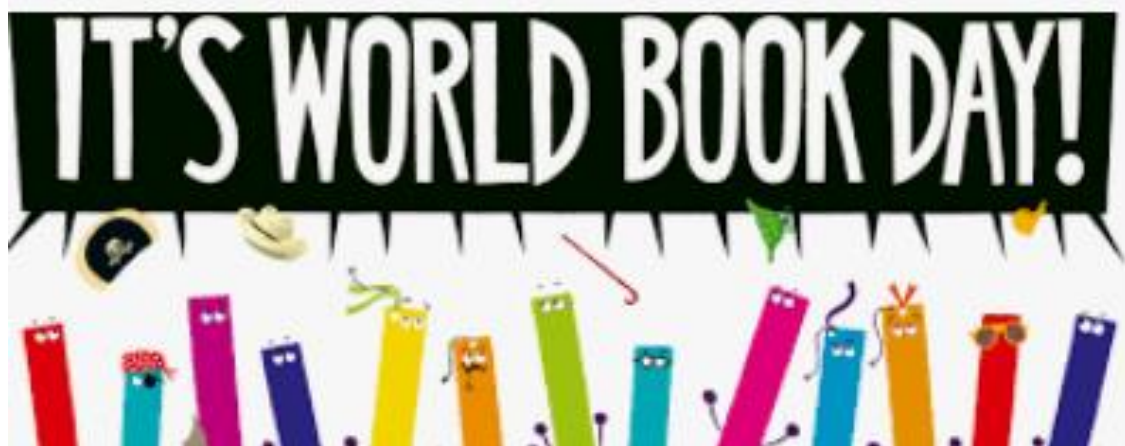
Remote Learning

We are continuing to develop our remote learning offer. Look out for our PE sessions, GM Trafford Music for Year 3 and 4, ballet sessions etc on Seesaw. There are now more community events with weekly assemblies and VIP phase meetings. Please see our updated offer and improvements based on your much valued feedback.

<https://www.sthildasprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/January-2021.pdf>

World Book Day

Keep your eyes peeled for the post! Each pupil will receive an envelope with goodies in ready for you to join in the World Book Day assemblies after half term. Keep up the great work on Bug Club and we look forward to your attendance for our World Book Day community event.

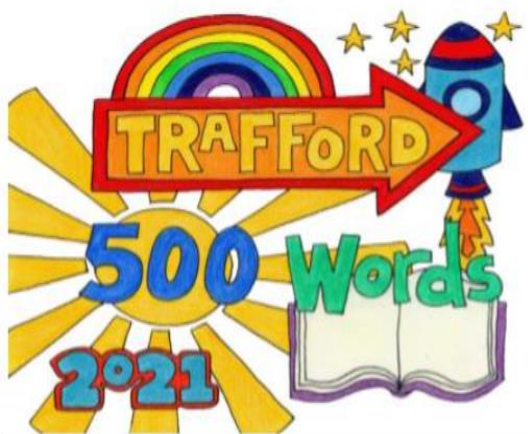


Family Support

We are continuing to accept donations of food and toiletries for families in need. If you need a food parcel, please email the office and we will arrange one for you to be collected. Our wellbeing letter is now on the website and signposts you to services in the local area.

<https://www.sthildasprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Spring-1-WBN-2021-1.pdf>

Trafford Key Stage 2 500 Word Writing Competition



A Short Story Writing Competition

We know that there is HUGE writing talent within our Trafford schools!

So, during this period of school closure, we'd like our KS2 children to have a go at writing a story!

The teachers will need to select two stories, per year group, to go through to the next round, which will be judged by Trafford Literacy experts. The final round will be judged by a writer and Literary experts from both Manchester and Salford Universities.

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Prizes to include:

- Book vouchers
- Spotlight Drama Workshops Vouchers
 - A kindle for the overall winner
- The winner to see their fiction brought to life as a drama


Children's Mental Health Week 1-7 February

Children's Mental Health Week, an annual week-long campaign run by children's mental health charity [Place2Be](https://www.place2be.org/), began yesterday and will run until Sunday 7 February.

This year's theme is "Express Yourself" with the focus on children finding ways to share feelings, thoughts, or ideas through creativity. Mentally Healthy Schools have created a [toolkit of resources](#) for children, staff and parents to use during Children's Mental Health Week.


Throughout the week, the DfE will be using its social media platforms to share a variety of mental health resources including 'wellbeing for education return' and the [children and young people's psychological first aid training](#) which is run by Public Health England.

School Holidays



St Hilda's Primary School Holidays 2021-2022

School is closed on shaded dates - Yellow (INSET days) Green—School Holidays
Orange—Bank Holiday



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