



### Online Safety Update

It has come to our attention that there is an increased conversation amongst the children around Squid Games (both the TV programme and the online game). Parents may not be aware of the high levels of violence and inappropriate content within this product. Whilst the online game is slightly different, it will include links to content from the series. As this is the latest craze, it will be publicised on other social media platforms which your children may have access to. Please read the attached information carefully and check in on the content your child is viewing and having access to.

### Year 3 Family Celebration of the Word

Today the children in Year 3 prepared and led a Celebration of the Word for their families on the theme of Love. They talked about the love they felt in their families and how they can share God's love with others.

### School Lunches

Please complete the school meals form to make your child's lunch choices by clicking on this link. Menus are available on our school website. The form is open from 8am on Mondays until noon on Wednesdays.

<https://forms.office.com/e/miMkUpPTB5#>

### Mindstars

Many of our children and families have accessed the Mindstars Mental Health Program over the last few years. We were saddened to hear this week that due to a lack of funding they are closing this service to new referrals which will have a huge impact on many children and families. They have set up a donation page for anyone who can help with funding. <https://donorbox.org/children-s-mental-health-support-at-a-time-of-crisis>

### Connect Parent Meeting

Connect MHST invites Parents and carers supporting children and young people with social, emotional, and mental health needs to a virtual support Session. The monthly session is held on Zoom on the last Wednesday of the month at 6pm. **January's support session topic will be Managing and Regulating your child's emotions on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025 6pm.** This link below will take you to a flyer where you can click or scan the QR Code to register your interest and to receive the Zoom invite.

[Virtual Support Group Registration Form](#)

### Dates for Diary

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January – PTA Meeting via Zoom

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January – Reception Class visit to the Quarry

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January – SEND Coffee Morning

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January – Mini Vinnies Meeting after school

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Year 1 Class Assembly

### Take 5 and chat - parenting additional needs



#### Time out for Parents - COURSES 2025

We are pleased to offer this course from Care for the Family's 'Positive Parenting'.

Wednesday mornings 9.30 -11.15

'Parenting additional needs', six session course...

January 22, 29. February 5, 19. March 5, 19.

Course fee £15.00 - you will be sent details

COURSE INFO: <https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/courses/parenting-courses-time-out>

BOOK: email [info@take5andchat.org.uk](mailto:info@take5andchat.org.uk), giving name & mobile phone number to book a place

Our VENUE is: Small Hall,

Whitley Bay Baptist Church, Park Ave,

Whitley Bay, NE26 1DX

[www.take5andchat.org.uk](http://www.take5andchat.org.uk)



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## House of the Week is St Cuthbert's

Next week is ZEBRA week on the school lunch menu

Don't forget to visit our school website for further school information

[www.stmarysonline.co.uk](http://www.stmarysonline.co.uk)