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Peace, Trust, Friendship

A message from the Head of School...

I would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year!

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the children, staff, governors and parents, who have made me feel welcome in my first week at Alderman Cogan. I look forward to meeting you all in order to lead Cogan onward in its journey to strive for excellence.

However, due to the National Lockdown it has been a very interesting week! I would like to thank all parents, carers and children for their understanding and patience. The children in school and children working remotely from home have shown great enthusiasm and have shown a positive and ready to learn attitude.

Finally, I would like to thank all the parents and carers who have managed to keep their children at home. Due to the new Covid-19 variant, which is 50-70% more transmissible, we are working incredibly hard to keep staff and children as safe as possible. May I politely remind everyone to remember to wear face masks, socially distance and adhere to the one way system as you enter school.

Mrs Malster-Hinett

Remote Learning

Our Remote Learning is currently up and running inline with DFE expectations and government guidance.

The main aim of our remote learning is to provide children with at least 3 hours of learning a day. The teachers will set the same work that is currently being taught in school for those children who are working at home. The expectation is that all tasks set should be completed to the best of each child's ability. Teachers are working hard to respond to all children on a daily basis in order to support them with their learning. I have joined all of the school's Google Classrooms and can see the amazing work that children are completing.

Where a teacher can not see their child on line they will be contacting you via phone to see if they can support in alternative way. So please answer if you see a "withheld" number. Those children who we are unable to see online or have had no phone call - a pavement visit will be made by the Head Teacher and a member of the pastoral team.



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

A reminder to all parents regarding this incredible initiative (which is funded by Hull United Charities) that allows our three year olds to continue to receive their free reading book every month as they enter nursery. This scheme was launched by the singing superstar, Dolly Parton whose aim is to inspire all children to read and a chance to develop their imagination and wonder through a love of high quality books. To ensure your child receives their free reading book each month, please register through the Imagination Library: [Dolly Parton's Imagination Library - Register for Free](#)

Our School Ethos and Christian Values

Our school and everyone in it belong to God.

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Jesus Christ stands at the centre of all that we do.

We will work together to follow His example and seek to be the best people we can be.

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Over the next few weeks, children across the whole school and children working from home will be working towards designing a poster which will reflect our school's ethos and Christian Values – these will be displayed in all classrooms.

Reflection

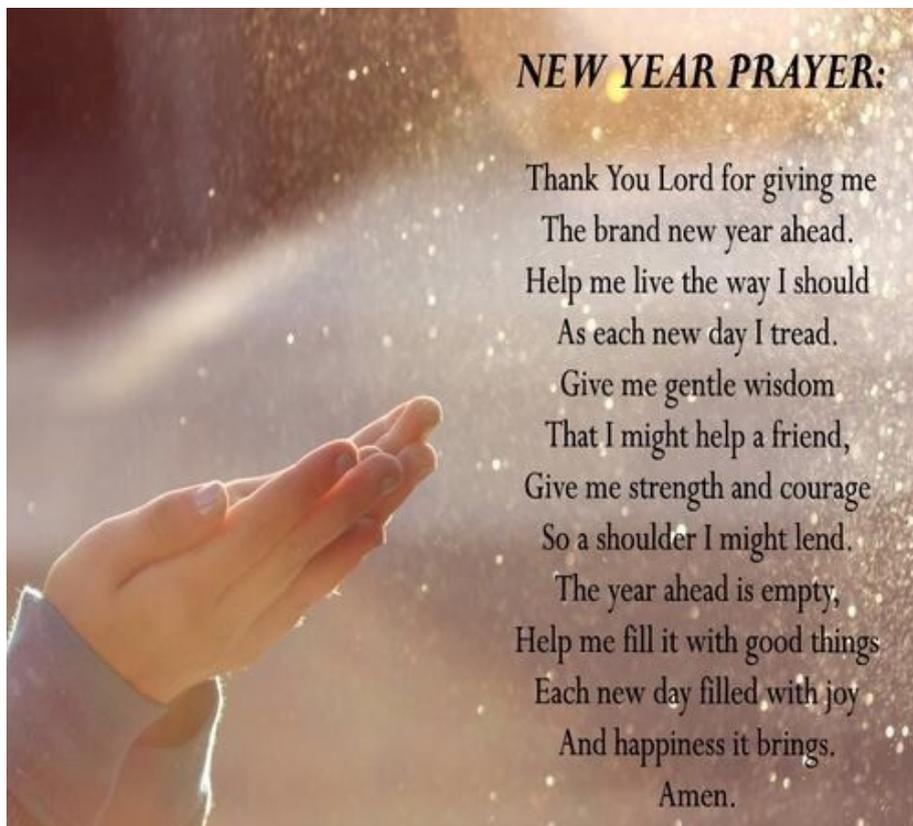
Epiphany has been a focus for our reflection this week; a time to think about the Magi (Three Wise Men) who visited the stable after Jesus' birth.

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi[a] from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

Matthew 2:1-12

Travelling from afar with gifts with great significance to Jesus' life. The gift of Jesus' birth is to be shared; his gifts of love, compassion and peace reflect the true meaning of Christmas.

May we share his gifts as we start this new year.



NEW YEAR PRAYER:

Thank You Lord for giving me
The brand new year ahead.
Help me live the way I should
As each new day I tread.
Give me gentle wisdom
That I might help a friend,
Give me strength and courage
So a shoulder I might lend.
The year ahead is empty,
Help me fill it with good things
Each new day filled with joy
And happiness it brings.
Amen.