

# Newsletter



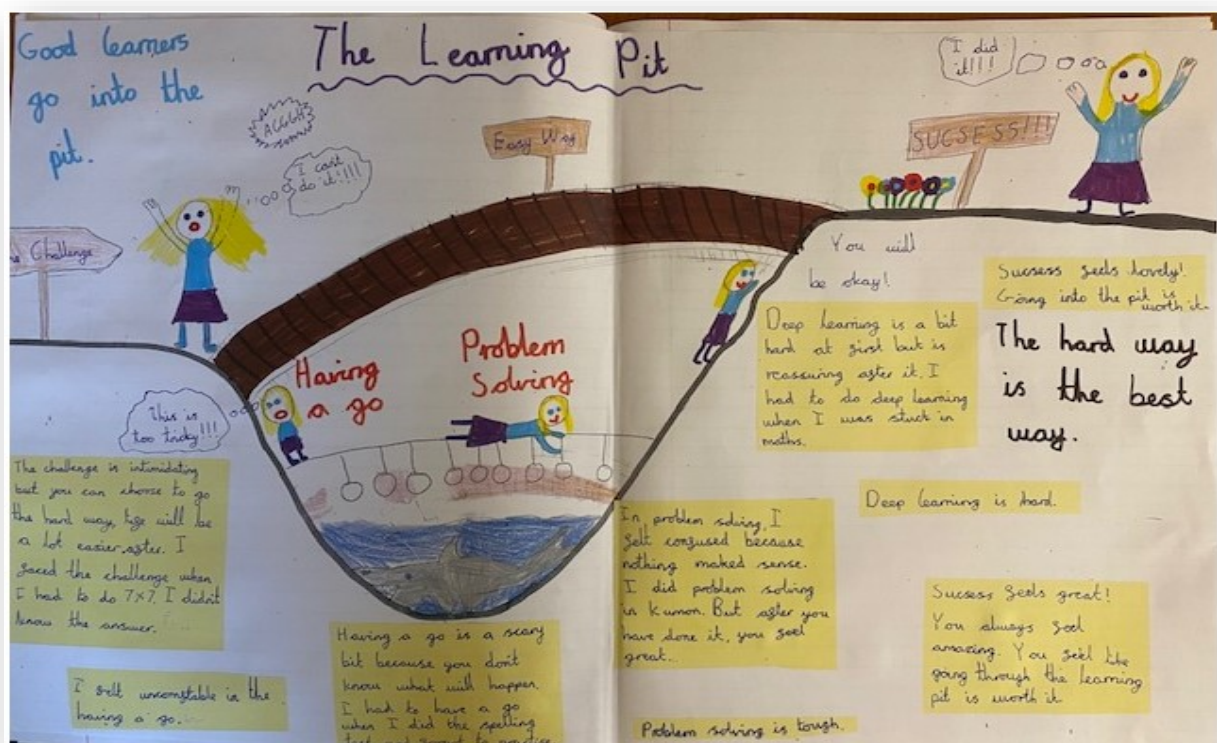
# St. Anselm's Catholic Primary School

21/01/2022

## Dear Parents

The children have been working very hard since the start of term, and we are having a big focus on their learning behaviours in order to make sure that they are ready to learn, and make progress, every day.

In assembly this week we focussed on what it means to be an active listener and discussed the importance of looking at people as they speak, ignoring distractions and not talking over someone who is talking. Alongside this, we continue to work with children on metacognition. This means teaching children to monitor, direct and review their own learning, giving them the skills to understand how they can develop their own strategies to learn effectively, solve problems and review their progress. This runs alongside our work on growth mindsets, encouraging the children to keep going, even when they find something difficult, as it is the struggle out of the learning pit that is the most valuable part of the learning process.



Our focus on learning behaviours helps us to continue to try and fulfil our school vision:

*'We want our children to grow in their faith and to be enthusiastic, life-long learners who are able to discuss, share and use their knowledge and skills.'*

Thank you to the PTA, for all your hard work. It was lovely to hear how active the parents are, during the meeting this morning, and we are very lucky to have such wonderful support.

Thank you to Miss Cowan for the hours that she has put into helping Year 5 to act, film, edit and produce their film about the Titanic. It is a wonderful representation of the rich learning that the children are receiving.



Our e-safety workshops for parents start next week in school. These are a great opportunity for parents to learn about how to work with their children to teach them how to use the internet and social media safety. We still have places available if you would like to sign up.

Thank you to Miss Ogilvy who led the Key Stage 1 reading meeting for parents. We received a lot of positive feedback about the strategies that were shared about how to support your child with their reading at home.

The Key Stage 2 meeting will be pre-recorded for parents to watch. We will send it out next week.



### Dates

#### **January**

24th e-safety workshops for parents

27th e-safety workshops for parents

31st e-safety workshops for parents

#### **February**

2nd Year 1 assembly

11th Break up for half term

Cake sale 3.30

21st INSET day

22nd children return to school

21st and 22nd: Year 3 parent conferences



Best wishes

H. Elwes

Hattie Elwes

Headteacher

*"Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and it revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him"*