

PADIHAM GREEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

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## The Importance of Punctuality

We recognise the COVID pandemic created disruption to all our lives but we're now on the road to getting back to our more normal routines at school. A crucially important routine is getting to school on time. The school gates open at 8.45am and our children can go straight into their classes at that point. This is when learning can start. A new 8.55am school bell will also sound to start the school day so please don't miss that bell. Please be in school at that point... and please support us in helping our children realise the importance of punctuality and regular attendance. Thank you.

# Behaviour Expectations

Things are slowly returning to normal at Padiham Green and the children are doing really well with understanding how we expect them to behave at school as we slowly return to normal. In my Monday assemblies, I'm revisiting our behaviour expectations ...and consequences (!!) so everyone clearly understands how we expect everyone to behave and how we can look after each other at school. I have been talking about *fruits of the spirit* that include:

LOVE, PEACE, JOY, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS and SELF-CONTROL.

If everyone lived their lives evidencing these qualities every day, how amazing would Padiham Green be?

Light Party at St. Leonard's Church: come and hear how Jesus is the Light in the darkness.

Here is a Christian alternative party to Halloween for any interested Padiham Green children aimed at Year 2 - Year 4. It takes place on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October from 4-6pm at St. Leonard's Church, Padiham. We're asking for bright and sparkly costumes but no scary ones please. There will be dancing, sweets, games, stories, crafts, glow sticks and hot dogs! Infants will need to be accompanied by an adult but juniors can be left without an adult as long as emergency details are filled out on arrival stating any dietary requirements. £2 per child can be paid on the door but places can also be booked at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/light-party-tickets-175437597577#">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/light-party-tickets-175437597577#</a>

#### Mr. Parkinson's £2000+ Success

I'm delighted to report Mr. Parkinson reached and went beyond his new £2000 target to support the Child Bereavement Society following his London Marathon '*Finisher'* status! I know we've offered our congratulations before but this has been an inspirational experience for us all at Padiham Green and so we salute you Mr. P!

<u>Forest School Damage:</u> I'm also delighted to report that a Police Officer has expressed an interest in our situation and so the investigation process may start soon.

## Headlice

Today we will be sending home a Headlice Treatment Leaflet and a free NitComb to every child. We understand that Headlice can be difficult to treat and repeat treatment and wet combing are key to the successful removal of Nits and Headlice. Packed Lunches

Just a reminder that we encourage all of our children who bring a packed lunch in from home to aim for a healthy lunch please. Thank you.

#### School Dinners

We have been informed by the Local Authority that from 1<sup>st</sup> November we should be able to provide a choice of two hot meals, however, this is likely to not follow the previous published menu.

## Free School Meals

If you think you could be entitled to benefits related free school meals, you can apply for this at <a href="https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/">https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/</a>

#### <u>Swimming</u>

Next Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October is the last swimming session for Year 4. From Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, it will be Year 3's turn and a letter will be sent home before we break-up next Thursday for half term.

<u>COVID19 Symptoms</u> A high temperature (this does not need to be a measured temperature: it is whether you feel hot to the touch on your chest or back); a new continuous cough or a loss or change in your sense of smell or taste. please email all results to: <u>parents@padihamgreen.lancs.sch.uk</u>

And finally... I can't believe we're nearly at half term! Only one more week to go! I want my life to slow down! How quickly does time fly?

God Bless, Mark Dixon, Headteacher, 马克·迪克森 校长 (王大龙)