

PADIHAM GREEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

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### Staffing Changes

Thanks for everyone's very positive responses following our staffing announcements this week. Mrs. Tyrer has been really touched by the positivity and support surrounding this opportunity from all concerned actually from Governors to teachers to teaching assistants to parents. Many thanks! So Mrs. Tyrer will be leading the newsletter charge from next Friday as I'll be on study leave and I'll resume my role before Christmas! I will be thinking of you all and most importantly expecting you to behave well and work really hard! Big love from me! x

## PREVENT Training and Safeguarding at PG

Thanks to Mrs. Tyrer for arranging this anti-terrorism training for our teaching teams this week. It was fascinating! And I don't mind sharing that it was a bit frightening too... especially in relation to the access to online material that many children have these days. All primary aged children are below the permissible age for most if not all social media platforms and there are good reasons why. We are going to try to arrange this training for interested parents too ... and I think all parents should be interested in what their children can access! Age limits are set for a reason and one of the reasons is that children are vulnerable and are particularly susceptible to influence from others. Sometimes those 'others' are adults posing as children and that *influence* is always negative. Radicalisation and grooming all come under the safeguarding agenda in schools and rightly so. It was frightening to see how easily children can move into an unsafe space online. Please make sure you know what your children are accessing online.

Please also consider which films your children are allowed to watch. We hear a reports of children being allowed to watch a range of 18+ films. We long for an age of innocence in schools but the problems that are created via social media for many children (and some parents), sadly make our lives much more difficult in schools. I repeat: please make sure you know what your children are accessing online.

<u>COVID Concerns</u> National and local reports of escalating cases in schools still lead our ongoing concern here so please continue to support us in our COVID requests and expectations. Thank you.

<u>Parents' Evening</u> Thanks to Mr. Tranmer for leading the arrangements for our first 'face to face' Parents' Evening for a while! Please respect our COVID safety requests as Mr. Tranmer has liaised successfully with our staff to ensure they feel as safe as possible going forward. Your positive responses to our requests will help us feel able to take more and more steps too. A message explaining the requests and slots to book will be released on School Spider. Many thanks.

<u>The Importance of Punctuality III</u> More children are going straight into their classes when the gates open at 8.45am, long before the 8.55am bell. This is great news and it means they will not be late and they give themselves a wonderful educational advantage every day too. Please don't miss the 8.55am bell. Thank you.

#### Attendance Certificates

Next week every child will be sent home with their attendance certificate and letter explaining our expectations for attendance.

Behaviour Action We are seeing ...

LOVE, PEACE, JOY, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS and SELF-CONTROL ... in our school at playtimes which is great to see and lovely to report to you too.

<u>Free School Meals</u> If you think you may be entitled to benefits-related free school meals, you help both yourselves and school. You can apply for this at:

<u>https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/</u> <u>Forest School Damage:</u> Nothing further to report I'm afraid.

COVID19 Symptoms

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>

<u>And finally...</u> Bonfire Night Tonight! PLEASE, PLEASE stay safe! Don't be daft near bonfires or fireworks. Nobody wants any accidents but we do just want to have fun and have a great time. Organised events are the best so please stay nice and safe!

See you soon and God Bless, Mark Dixon, Headteacher, 马克·迪克森 校长 (王大龙)

## PE DAYS/SWIMMING/FOREST SCHOOL

Day	
PE Days Wednesday & Friday Tree Top Tuesday	
PE Days - Monday & Tuesday	
PE Days - Monday & Tuesday	
Swimming - Wednesday PE Day - Thursday	
PE Days - Wednesday & Friday	
Forest School – Thursday PE Days – Wednesday & Friday	
PE Days - Wednesday & Thursday	
	Tree Top Tuesday   PE Days - Monday & Tuesday   PE Days - Monday & Tuesday   Swimming - Wednesday   PE Day - Thursday   PE Days - Wednesday & Friday   PE Days - Wednesday & Friday   Forest School - Thursday   PE Days - Wednesday & Friday

#### AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

Day	Event/Group
Tuesday 3.30pm - 4.15pm	Year 6 Boys' Football (must be signed-up)
<u>Thursday 3.30pm - 4.15pm</u>	<u>Year 6 Girls' Football (must be signed-up)</u>

# IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Activity
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Service Year 6 Only - St Leonard's
	Church
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Service - St Leonard's Church
22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Parents' Evening
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Flu Nasal Spray - AM