



Jesus said, "Come, follow me." Mtt. 4:19.

PADIHAM GREEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents,

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Remembrance Service: Yesterday the children joined Canon Jones and Rev. Kit for the Remembrance service at St Leonard's. Class 5 represented our school beautifully in church with a class from Padiham Primary, St. Leonard's and St. Johns (all socially distanced) whilst the rest of the children watch the service on a live stream back in school.

It was a really moving service during which, Rev. Kit talked to the children about the Sacrifices which were made for us all during the war. It was really good to have the children back in church even if it could only be 1 class.

There will be a Remembrance service at St. Leonard's this Sunday which you are all warmly invited to at 9.30am.

Football: Last night, the children of Class 5 had an amazing time watching the England u21 team win 3-1. For some of them (including our staff) it was the first time that they had seen a football match and what better way to do so than under the floodlights at Turf Moor! All the adults involved could not be more proud of how each and every child represented our school- their manners and maturity were outstanding. Thank you to Mr. Tranmer for organising this wonderful event and all of the staff who made it possible.

Staffing Changes: Miss Homer will be leaving us at Christmas to take up a new teaching post in a Bolton High School. This is something that Miss Homer has been interested in pursuing for a while and the role will also allow her to specialize in teaching English, a subject she is passionate about.

This means of course that the Governors will need to appoint a replacement teacher. I am happy to report that this process has begun and we will keep you informed once it is complete. Year 4 have already given us a list of their requirements as they will of course be very sad to see Miss Homer go. Whilst we will be sad to lose Miss Homer we are pleased that she has the opportunity to follow her dreams.

COVID update

Due to a sharp rise in positive COVID19 cases in school this week, we have been consulting with the Local Authority who have moved us into 'Outbreak' status and helped us implement some temporary changes to reduce the spread of COVID19 within school including:

- Moving all classes back into bubbles, especially for lunchtimes and breaktimes. Not using shared spaces in school;
- Increased cleaning regime and ventilation procedures;
- Staff are social distancing and wearing masks in communal areas;
- All non-essential visitors to school are temporarily cancelled;
- We are asking parents to not bring their child to school if there is a positive member of their household until they themselves receive a negative PCR test. They can then return to school, but we are asking children to take daily LFDs (if they are symptomless) for 7 days.
- If your child is too ill to come to school even if they do not specifically have COVID19 symptoms we are asking for them to seek a PCR test before returning to school.
- Afterschool club will be moving back to the Hall rather than the Dance Studio.

Thank you to everyone who has managed to get their children tested, this really helps us to continue to be able to provide the level of education as is our main priority. If you especially have a child in Year R, 1, 2 or 6 and have not had your child PCR tested as a close contact we would really encourage you to do so please.

We also need your help to reduce the spread of COVID19 in our school grounds and are asking that, where possible, only one parent/carer arrives at school to collect their child please. We would also like to encourage all of our parents/carers to wear masks whilst on the school grounds please.

There is an 'Outbreak' testing flowchart on the reverse of this newsletter which should be used when deciding if your child needs a test or if they should be in school.

Parents' Evening Due to increased cases this week, we have made the decision to conduct Parents' Evening via telephone. The existing slots you have booked will still stand and we encourage you to book one if you haven't already done so please.

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: parents@padihamgreen.lancs.sch.uk

And finally...

Dates for your diary

Friday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 14th December - Christingle Service

Wednesday 15th December - Christmas Lunch

Take care, stay safe and God Bless, Lisa Tyrer, Acting Headteacher