



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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Welcome Back! What a great start to our new academic year! This week has been excellent! Your children have started school calmly and respectfully and I really appreciate that so thank you! We have well-behaved, smartly dressed and polite young people here and I am delighted with the way they have responded in all their classes with all their teachers. This is great news. I'm really proud of everyone in our team here and there's a lovely atmosphere around school and all our children are showing us that they want to learn! I can also include our ridiculously calm YR classroom! Amazing! Well done to our Reception team too ...and our sensible Reception parents! This could be another great cohort which is more great news for our future classes at PG!

This weekend is 'Back to School Sunday' Padiham Green and the other school families have been warmly invited to the 9.30am service at St. Leonard's Church this Sunday so please come along with your family wearing Padiham Green jumpers please! We have children taking part and members of staff attending too in this 'Back to School' service. I'll be in my PG hoodie so let's do PG proud! I know it is short notice again but we hope to see you there!

Year 6 Welcome Letter I want to especially mention the start the children in Year 6 have made this year. This is great news for the rest of the school because I always say a great Year 6 equals a great school! I wrote to them on the first day welcoming them into Y6 and so far they are living up to the impressive legacy left to them by the current Year 7! We're all right behind you Year 6! Let's see what you can do this year!

Padiham Green's Community School of the Year Nomination We were delighted to be 'Highly Commended' AGAIN(!) in the three shortlisted schools in Burnley ...after our nomination of course! This is another excellent accolade for Padiham Green so well done to us all but especially to our adult and child sports leaders!

Our New Forest School Path

Thanks to Calico, we now have a new Forest School path and entrance gate ...but we can't use it yet! January 2020 is the opening date at the moment but I'll keep you posted! We also have a new and impressively massive table to be known as 'Mr. Cannon's table' built by ...you've guessed it, Mr. Cannon! He's done a brilliant job and I hope it'll be really well-used by everyone. I know it will be well-used by Mrs. Mellor and our After School Club people!

Brandon's 30-day Reading Challenge I hope children quickly get back to completing 30-day Reading Challenges again! Reading is such a central skill to the whole curriculum. You learn more easily when you can read well and you read well with *practice* and when you *practise*, you get better! *Did you see the practice/practise difference?*

Accidental Damage We suffered some accidental damage to some equipment in our YR Outdoor Classroom. We leave this equipment out for our youngest children's learning. This equipment isn't for toddlers to play with or for older juniors to run past and pick up or move. Everything has an organised place. I ask that everyone understands that please and keeps an eye out for our equipment being used or misused when it should just be left alone by everyone except our youngest learners during school time. If we find older children have been misusing it, they will find themselves in trouble! Sorry to be so straight about it but we have to look after our property ... collectively. All of us. Thanks! Early Birds / Night Owls: Before / After School Clubs ...have started again this week and the children are loving it. Places must be booked and paid for in advance. Thanks.

Attendance We will be arranging attendance awards for all children again this year that meet the required criteria in attendance and punctuality. We're setting high standards for everyone. *Every day, every lesson counts!*

Hydration Remember children are encouraged to bring 'named' water bottles from home to stay hydrated in class providing big wins for learning. PE Kit Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit in school - thanks!

Health and Safety: Earrings + PE Please take them out on PE days or send plasters to cover them if still healing. Padiham Greenway Children's Park Run Last Sunday saw Padiham's inaugural 2K Park Run and some of our PG children were involved. One of our runners did it in 11 minutes and 50 seconds! That's now her PB and she's going to try to beat it! This nationally accredited weekly event starts behind the Leisure Centre at 9am on Sundays.

Aldi's 'Kit for Schools' Stickers Please help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive a sports kit (and a chance to win some money!). So please bring the stickers in and stick 'em on!

And finally... I'm really excited about this year again and I hope we can continue to count on your support for your children. Thanks to everyone for everything you do at PG!

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