



Dear Parents,

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Communication with Parents: What's the best way?

We're talking about this at the moment and we're going to come to a decision and circulate the outcome. When we do that; that'll be what we do and it'll be up to you as parents to access that information ...or not. We've tried all sorts of ways (*Newsletter Pupil Post with the oldest and then youngest child; paper/not paper; families; everyone; text messages; expensive email/text systems; Twitter; PG website ...and more*) and we can't please everyone with any of the ways we've tried so we'll make a plan, deliver it and hope it works.

Online Safety: Thanks to one of our Y6 boys for both making a mistake but then being honest enough to do the right thing! We're all learning about online safety and the issue of 'information sharing' without 'permission' of the group to change the group's membership! Just because you are 'The Admin' i.e. the one that controls the group, does not mean you can welcome other members into the group without the group's permission. When this happens, new members have access to all the phone numbers in the group and so you can be messaged directly by this new member. This means children who have parental permission to be part of a group because it is, for example, known as 'PG ONLY'; those children may not have permission to speak to someone they don't know even if someone else does know that person. As parents, do you really know all the membership of your child's social media groups? *It's worth stating: children shouldn't be on most social media platforms until they are 13 anyway!*

Harvest Service This was at St. Leonard's yesterday and may I pass Canon Jones', Rev. Mike's and our own thanks for all the Harvest Gifts donated at the service. Thank you! Our PG apples looked amazing on the altar too! How funny that I was so proud of *some apples!*

You are also all welcome at St. Leonard's for the Harvest Service on Sunday @9.30am.

Y6 Tower Wood Final Payments ...by Friday 12th October 2018 please. Thanks.

'We are Reading Everywhere' Photograph Competition Thanks for all your 'We are Reading Everywhere' competition entries! Congratulations to all our winners: EYFS William Spark; KS1 Cooper Barber; Lower KS2 Lexi-Grace Morton; Upper KS2 Stanley Livesey. Brilliant photos and a brilliant message about the importance of reading! Many thanks for helping us spread the love of reading!

Padiham Archive Y5 visited the Padiham Archive this week and Ann Clark rang to specifically tell me how amazingly well-behaved our children were. Well done Y5! Brilliant!

Future provisional dates

Monday 12-11-18 from 2pm: Autumn Parents' Evening with details to follow.

Tuesday 11-12-18 @time tbc: EYFS Christmas Production

Wednesday 12-12-18: @ 9.30am and 1.30pm: Y1 and Y2 Christmas Production

Thursday 20-12-18: Christmas Dinner

YR	William Spark	Y1	Gracie Taylor-Morris	Y2	Harley Ashworth		
Y3	Evie-Grace Sedgwick	Y4	Ella Smithies	Y5	Mason Scaife	Y6	Maisey Kostilek-Smith

And finally... Half term's rapidly approaching and I want my life to slow down! It won't be long before Mrs. De'Ath and I take three PG children to Beijing and Qingdao along with children from Our Lady's school. An amazing experience ahead!

Many thanks and God Bless, Mark Dixon, Headteacher 马克·迪克森 校长