



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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Our Preparations for Self-Isolation

We are currently making contingency plans for the many scenarios that may emerge for us all as the coronavirus pandemic continues to affect our lives in school. We still have to be careful in our lives. Let's not relax too much. We are looking at finding ways of communicating with children at home, if ever that becomes necessary. We are looking at both electronic ways to communicate and paper ways. Do we have your email address? This may become a crucial way to communicate if we need to change what's happening at school now. And what's happening at school now is actually excellent! I know you can't see it but I wish you could. Our classes are so calm when I walk around the edges of the bubbles and that is so good to see. *Safety and Education* are, and have always been my two main priorities through this crisis so this is what I want us to continue doing well!

Macmillan COVID Coffee Morning

Of course we can't do what we normally do but this is what we're doing *this time* to support this amazing charity: every child will go home with a cake on Macmillan Coffee Morning day for our normal minimum donation of 50p (we are unable to provide change). In these COVID circumstances, we feel this is an appropriate way to both raise awareness and a little bit of important financial support for this charity at such a challenging time for us all. I did the Great North Swim last year for Macmillan and I think a bit of that money supported my wife's mum when she needed it. These are amazing people and they so deserve our support.

Social Distancing Reminder

Just a polite reminder to our parents/carers to please make sure you are following the government social distancing rules when dropping-off and collecting your child please. We do ask that only one parent/carer drop-offs and collects and that you do not rely upon other parents/carers for collection or drop-off unless completely unavoidable.

Symptoms and testing guidance

Please see our website for up-to-date information on COVID-19 symptoms and testing guidance.

Harvest at St. Leonard's

We are organising a socially distanced Harvest service on Friday 2nd October for our Year 6 at St. Leonard's Church with Year 6 from St. Leonard's primary. We usually have a whole double school Harvest event but this special service will be live-streamed for all our classes to join. Harvest-wise: we will also have a TESCO trolley outside school (*other supermarkets are also available!*) from Monday for you to place any tins or dried foods in that and we think they will all go to a local foodbank. Thank you in advance.

Asking Questions Thank you once again for the safe way in which you approach us and ask questions! This is consideration and kindness in action and it is much appreciated. Thank you!

Mrs. Mellor

I want to celebrate our wonderful Mrs. Mellor and let you know what she's been up to. She has created some amazing banners featuring images of The Big Story as part of our Worship and RE work. She has such brilliantly creative talents that she put to fantastic use during lockdown. Our banners will stay at PG and they will help many children for years and years to come. What a beautiful legacy. So grateful thanks from everyone to Mrs. Mellor!

Individual School Photos

Our photographer will be coming to school on Thursday 1st October for individual school photos. These will be done within bubbles and the photographer will remain distanced from pupils and staff. Whilst

we will be able to do sibling photos for children in school, we will be unable to invite younger or older siblings into school this year.

Schools Spider

In the next few weeks our website will be changing to a new provider called 'School Spider'. The website will be accessed in exactly the same way, except there will be a new parent and pupil area and a 'School Spider' app. We will then phase all communication onto the app, which will include the opportunity to book future parents' evenings and other events online (depending on COVID-19). Watch this space...

House Teams' Weekly Winners:

Each week children are rewarded green glass nuggets in recognition of their great work and great behavior. These nuggets are then assigned to their house team and counted at the end of the week (in a COVID-19 safe way of course). Whilst we cannot do the usual celebration for the winning house, we did want to recognise it each week in the newsletter:

**BRUN - 86
87**

HODDER - 104

RIBBLE *Winner* - 112

CALDER -

Well done to our Merit People this week! Congratulations to all these brilliant children!

Y1: Ellie C; **Y2:** Matilda; **Y3:** Leo P; **Y4:** Kate G; **Y5:** Sergio E; **Y6:** Rosario E; **Mrs. Tyrer's choice:** Scarlett (YR).

And finally... It looks like we are facing more restrictions in Lancashire due to the Coronavirus pandemic and the potential for a second wave. In order to keep Padiham Green open and to keep our children learning, I'll be doing what I'm supposed to be doing so please join me. Thank you!

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