



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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COVID-19 Update and Common Sense

Thank you for continuing to support our requests to behave appropriately in (and out) of school grounds especially in relation to not mixing households in our school grounds: the guidance changed last week making this illegal. Please, therefore, maintain an effective social distance from each other and we're trying to help by adding more 2m lines around our building (with thanks to Mr. Cannon for sorting that out). Again, we do all this to protect our children and staff and all our own families at home and yours. And I repeat more strongly, whatever your views of the guidance or the government, please follow their requests as we can fight this disease, but we have to do it together. Everyone has to play their part. I always say I don't believe this can happen with selfishness; but it can with kindness and consideration. Surely the argument for the people who deny COVID's place in our world is weakening with more infections and associated deaths? Whatever the case, thank you for supporting our wishes and expectations here at Padiham Green. My priorities are always everyone's 'safety' and our children's 'education'. Please help us keep our bubbles open so we can continue to educate our children, whilst keeping everyone safe and well. These are my most pressing professional and personal priorities so thank you for your help.

COVID's Impact on our Children's Education

Our teaching teams continue to do a fantastic job in extremely difficult circumstances and through an amazing effort, we know that the vast majority of our children are not where they should be academically... and some are more behind than others. Whilst you don't need to be a *rocket scientist* to 'feel' that would happen, you do need to be a *teacher* to 'know' that. Our teaching teams, therefore, are now romping forward to help all our children get back to where they were ...and beyond (*Buzz Lightyear comes to mind!*), so I offer my thanks to them for that massive effort. Please help them continue to do their jobs as effectively as they can ...in school ... by continuing to support our social distance requests with your full application of common sense, here and at home. Thank you!

Poppy Appeal

We are running a poppy appeal again this year, but we are asking that if your child would like a poppy this year that they please bring their money in with them when they go to class. We will not be able to give change and any item bought will need to be taken home, they will not be able to keep them in school. Suggested donations are below: Zip pull – 50p, Reflector poppy with clip – 50p, Silicon wristbands – £1, Snap band - £1.50, Poppy pins - £3 and a standard paper poppy – 50p. Thank you.

Harvest Festival

This morning our year 6 children visited St Leonard's Church for the annual Harvest Service. In normal circumstances the whole school would be in church however this year the rest of the school watched the service in their classrooms on a live video link.

Thank you for all the harvest donations which were left in out Tesco trolley this week, these were all taken to church this morning and will be passed on to the food banks operated by Maundy relief and Church on the Street.

Welcome to our new Class R

Many thanks to our YR parents and our YR teaching team for such a great start this week. The children have settled well and their 'well-being' is scoring highly! That was the plan actually! So thanks to our parents for cooperating with our staggered start (and to Mrs. Mac for leading it) because it has worked! Great stuff everyone!

House Teams' Weekly Winners:

This weeks nugget figures are :

BRUN – 62

HODDER *Winner* – 87

RIBBLE– 71

CALDER – 52

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

YR: Ajay **Y1:** Logan; **Y2:** Isabella; **Y3:** Arwen; **Y4:** Charlie H; **Y5:** Scarlett M; **Y6:** Ella S; **Mrs.Tyrer's choice:** Scarlett J (Y1).

And finally... Best wishes and congratulations to Rev. Kit this week as he celebrated his socially-distanced ordination at St. Leonard's Church. A great day for him and his family... we'll be in touch!

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