

Tuesday 31st March - School Update

Good afternoon,

Welcome to another update. As we continue to move forward with our new way of schooling, our school will continue to add new initiatives and ways of working with all of our families and crucially the children. The main aspect of this work was setting up our *e-mailing system* to ensure we provided the children with work each day to *continue their learning* and keep in touch with everyone. This is now up and running and working well for all classes ensuring all children are staying in touch with their teachers. We also have our *school open for Key workers* and continue to *be available for all families* should you need to contact us. On Friday we let you know about a *new part of our website* to reflect all the wonderful things everyone is doing and allow our whole school community to share these experiences; *#we're all in this together - our school is more than a building* is going *live on our website tomorrow* and a reminder of how to become involved in this is at the bottom of this update. I am also providing more regular updates than just our weekly newsletter as things change and to keep everyone as up to date as possible with school life. Today, I have written an *open letter to all the children* which I am sending to them via their class emails and will also publish online later today so they know how proud we all are of them. Today, I am also launching *another new initiative, 'Born To Move'*.

Born To Move

Staying active at this time is really important for everyone and brings more challenges than normal due to having to remain indoors for large parts of the day. I know that many of you have been involved with the 'Joe Wicks' sports session each morning, which is fantastic. I'm also aware that there are many other initiatives online to support staying active. However, we have now subscribed to a programme called **Born To Move** with the support of West Lancashire Sports Partnership, who deliver our sports coaching in school and lead all of our sports competitions and events. This on line initiative gives a **range of workouts** for **all ages** that **you can access for free** from now until the 31st August 2020

Once logged in you will see that there are tabs across the top. There is some free content that is open to everybody but you **will** have access to the subscriber content. You will see that the content is split into a number of age groups 4-5yrs, 6-7yrs and 8-12yrs. There is also 13-16yrs if any of your families have older siblings.

To do this you should either; **download the Les Mills Born to Move App from the App Store or the Play Store or access through the web browser** <u>https://borntomove.lesmills.com/user/login</u>. Our school login and password will be sent out via our App later and teachers will also remind you of this in their daily e-mail tomorrow. If you have any concerns please contact me via the school office so I can resolve these for you.

I hope this will allow everyone to find some time in their day to undertake different workouts that are fun and enjoyable and really help keep everyone active at this time. Please let me know if there are any concerns by emailing our school office and I will try and sort these out.

Mr D Kennedy Headteacher

'#we're all in this together - our school is more than a building'

We've now started the new section of our website called:

#we're all in this together - our school is more than a building.

This part of our website will go live tomorrow will go live tomorrow.

As I noted on Friday, we would like you to share photos of your children and their positive experiences of schooling at home.

We are asking anyone **who wishes**, to send in 1 or 2 photos (in just one email for now please) with a catchy caption to reflect something you've been doing at home. These will then be used to build a photo collection of everyone in our school community as we continue to work together.

Key points for sending the photo email are:

- 1. Please only send one email to photos@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk
- 2. attach any photos as images
- 3. Do not include any surnames in the caption
- 4. Try to keep photos landscape if possible as this works better for display online.

I am thoroughly enjoying seeing the wonderful photos of what everyone is doing and having the opportunity to stay in touch with you all. Keep the photos coming as we show that *we are all in this together.*

Thank you

Mr D Kennedy Headteacher