Aughton Christ Church C of E Primary School N E W S L E T T E R— 5th March 2021

Our school value this half term is: "Forgiveness"

'Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others'

Colossians 3.13

Dear parents/carers,

As we finish for the weekend, I want to once again thank everyone for all their support in every aspect of school over the period of closure to most children.

I am absolutely delighted that we are able to welcome back all children to school on Monday morning and after seeing the children on Zoom this week, I am sure they are excited too. The teachers have today talked to the children about the return to school and I want to reassure parents that staff will be continuing their pastoral support on Monday, as we want to ensure all children are happy and settled upon return. Please take time to remind yourself of our reopening procedures by reading the information on this newsletter and clicking the links below.

Finally, please enjoy your weekend and I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Davíð Kennedy

Headteacher

Plan for whole school return Open letter to the children Parent Update – Return to school

Spring Term 2 Dinner Menu

The school lunch menu for Monday 8th to Friday 26th March is available on our school website. Years 3 to 6 – please indicate on the menu if you are using credit from meals paid for in Spring Term 1. If payment is required, please make one payment to cover the three-week period. Cheques are preferred, made payable to 'L.C.C' please. <u>https://www.aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk/serve_file/1000870</u>

P.E. Days

Each week children will have two P.E lessons. One P.E lesson will be from a West Lancashire Sports Coach and the other will be with their class teacher. P.E. lessons will continue to be taught outside wherever possible. Children should arrive at school in their P.E kits when it is their P.E day. They should wear trainers, their white P.E top and blue shorts with a school jumper over the top. In addition, if children wish to wear tracksuit bottoms over their shorts they are able to. Each class has two P.E days which are outlined below.

> Reception - Tuesday and Friday Year 1 - Wednesday and Thursday Year 2 - Monday and Friday Year 3 - Tuesday and Wednesday Year 4 - Wednesday and Friday Year 5 - Monday and Wednesday Year 6 - Wednesday and Friday

Notices

Dates for you diary

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd March—Y3 Hearing Screening Monday 29th March to Friday 9th April—Easter Holidays Tuesday 27th April—Reception Vision Screening

End of Term—Friday 26th March

Please note that school will close for the Easter Holidays on Friday 26th March. **Children should be collected at their usual time and place on this day**. School will re-open on Monday 12th April 2021.

Class Teacher Communication

As school is reopening to all children on Monday 8th March, please can you ensure that any communication regarding your child is once again sent to bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk as this is the email that is checked during the school day.

Break Time Snacks

We would like to remind all parents and carers to only send their child into school **with one healthy snack** for morning break time. We would also ask that as we are a healthy school, children do not bring in chocolate, sweets or crisps. If children are bringing in grapes for their snack, we ask that you make sure that all grapes are cut in half vertically. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents that we are a **'nut free'** school as we do have some children who have severe nut allergies.

Department for Education Information for Parents

Asymptomatic testing information for parents and adults in households with children at school

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are different ways for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm. **Children of primary school age (and below) without symptoms are not being asked to take a test.**

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and -bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff

Travelling to school safely

- If you live a short distance from school, walk, cycle or scoot to and from school wherever it is possible and safe to do so.
- Avoid sharing a car with anyone outside of your household or support bubble.
- If you are using public transport to get to school, plan ahead and allow more time for your journey.