Aughton Christ Church C of E Primary School N E W S L E T T E R— 13th January 2023

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Our school value this half term is: "Courage"

'Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go'

Joshua 1.9

Notices

Primary Admissions for September 2023

The deadline for applications is Sunday 15th January 2023. Even if your child has a sibling in school, you will still need to make your application online in order to secure a place in primary school. Applications must be made via Lancashire County Council Admissions.

Back to school advice issued amid high levels of flu, covid and scarlet fever

The UKHSA have released the following guidance to parents regarding their children's return to school amid the current winter illness rates in the UK. The link to the guidance can be accessed by clicking here. Following these steps can help protect children, minimise the spread of illness in education and childcare settings and protect wider communities.

Foodbank Fridays

We have started 'Foodbank Fridays' where children may bring in any items for donation to the Ormskirk and Skelmersdale foodbanks partnered with Christ Church Aughton. Each year group will have a place in class where any donations can be collected. Items requested are; Long Life milk, biscuits, small bags of sugar, coffee, teabags, rice pudding, custard, sponge puddings, instant mash and hot dogs, tinned items such as fruit, carrots, potatoes, fish and meat. Toiletries, feminine hygiene and baby nappies are also needed. Donations can be brought in on any day and each Friday church will collect these donations. We look forward to keeping you updated on this initiative.

Up and coming dates for your diary

Sunday 15th January—2023 primary school application deadline
Thursday 2nd February—Y5 to Liverpool
Monday 6th to Friday 9th February—Mental Health Week
Thursday 9th February—Non-Uniform Day
Thursday 9th February—PHA Disco
Monday 13th to Friday 17th February—Half Term
Tuesday 21st February—Y3 to Buddhist Centre
Thursday 23rd February—Y3 to Ribchester
Tuesday 7th March—Years 5 & 6 to Bridgewater Hall

Term & Holiday Dates

Please click <u>here</u> to view the updated term dates for this year (to include the bank holiday for King Charles' coronation). Term and holiday dates for 2023-2024 have also been uploaded.

Diary Dates for Spring Term

Please click <u>here</u> to view the key events we have planned in until Easter. This list is subject to change as events get added or changed. Please continue to check for regular updates.

New Play Equipment

We are continuing with our grounds development this term and I know the children are all very excited about the installation of new climbing equipment in two weeks' time. There will be a new climbing zone for KS2 and KS1 and I have attached designs for you to see. Whilst we are developing these areas of school, I continue to ask for support in not allowing children or walking on grass and soil areas.

Spring Term Clubs

Please click <u>here</u> to see full details for the teacher-led clubs listed below for this term.

<u>Club</u>	<u>Year Group</u>
Chess	Y5 & Y6
Football	Y2
Choir	Y4, Y5 & Y6
Performing Arts	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
Craft Club	Reception
Gardening	Y5
Computing	Y1
Running	Y3, Y4, Y5, & Y6