



Our school value this half term is: "Trust"

'My God is my strength in whom I trust'

Psalm 18.2

## Notices

### Covid-19 Updates

We have once again continued to have some positive Covid-19 cases across school this week. We know that you may find this concerning but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health .

Please click [here](#) to view guidance from Public Health regarding positive cases within a school setting.

After further conversations this week with Public Health and our Health and Safety team I would like to reassure all of our parents that school has all necessary Covid-19 preventative measure in place including:

- More frequent cleaning
- Regular sanitising of children's hands through the day
- Good Hygiene procedures
- Regular staff testing
- Co2 monitors in all classrooms
- Good ventilation across school
- The bubbling of classes where Covid-19 numbers are higher

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact school.

### Nativities

All our families will have received communication about our planned nativities this week. Whilst we remain committed to these events, it is always important to remember that changes may have to be made at short notice. We will continue to keep everyone updated should any changes be necessary.

Currently we are proceeding with the below arrangements. Please ensure you have applied for your tickets to support school organisation.

**Monday 6th December** KS1 Nativity 2:00 pm for **Year 1 parents only.**

**Tuesday 7th December** KS1 Nativity 2:00pm for **Year 2 parents only.**

**Friday 10th December** Reception Nativity 9:30 am .

**Monday 13 December** KS2 Church Service for Parents in Year 3-6 6pm.

### Holidays

We have had several requests this term for holidays. Whilst we understand it has been challenging due to the pandemic to reorganise holiday arrangements, we would like to remind parents that holidays during term time will not be authorised. Education has been very disrupted over the last 18 months due to the pandemic and therefore it is very important that children attend school every day possible.

### Aid To All Christmas Donations

Mrs Griffiths (Holly's mum in Y5) has kindly organised a collection of Christmas donations on behalf of **Southport Soup Kitchen** and **Aid to All** charity. The closing date for donations is Friday 10th December.



### Y6 WWII Day—Tuesday 7th December

Children in Y6 are invited to attend school on this day dressed as a WWII evacuee. The day will be themed around WWII and will involve some of the following: radio broadcasts, designing and building WWII planes, role play scenarios at Christ Church, singing for Hillcroft Nursing Home, cooking and team building activities.

### Parking Notice

We would like to kindly remind parents to be mindful when parking close to school at pick up and drop off times. Please avoid parking in areas with limited access and manoeuvrability, particularly near the school back gate. Thank you.

### KS1 collection from school

If collecting children from the KS1 play ground we would like to remind all families that once your child has been handed over you should please leave the site. We have had some instances of children playing on play equipment after collection. This is in the interest of safety for everyone.

### Christ Church Aughton—'The Narnia Experience'

Tickets are selling fast for Christ Church Aughton's Christmas event taking place at Gorse Hill Nature Reserve on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th December. Meet your some of your favourite characters from Narnia and enjoy refreshments. Tickets can be booked [here](#).



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our whole school community is something that is very special to us all.

Over many years, our PHA has worked tirelessly to provide opportunities for everyone beyond the school day. These have included summer and Christmas balls for parents, cinema nights and discos for children and family events such as bingo and beetle drives. Whilst these events do so much to bring our community together, they also raise funds which directly impact all of the children in school.

Examples of the support they have given over the last 7 years have included **building a new garden area** for the children to play and enjoy in school, **providing book bags** for new children, **Christmas parties** for all children and an annual **£1400** contribution towards class visits to keep the costs of class visits down.

### Outdoor Library and Learning Area

On average our PHA have raised **£8-10,000** a year. Over the last few years, your support of PHA events has helped to raise a significant amount of money to support our children.

The PHA have now committed **£15,000** to help re-develop the back of school to provide an outdoor library and learning area. Although this project has been delayed due to Covid-19, we are now in a position to continue. We hope this will be completed this year and the development will include:

- a better pathway around the back of school
- an outdoor library and learning area
- mini amphitheatre built into in the edge of the field.

I cannot thank the PHA and all of our families enough for all of their tremendous work and all of our parents who have contributed to events allowing us to move forward with this project.

As we move into the second half of this term I have been discussing with the PHA how we can continue to work together to organise some lovely events for the children and continue to raise funds to support this project and other initiatives as the year progresses.

I encourage anyone who is able and wishes to become involved in future events to join us for a meeting on **Tuesday 30th November at 3:40pm** in school.

Mr D Kennedy  
Head teacher

The PHA are running two main events this term that we are asking for support with.

#### 1. Christmas Raffle

Once again the PHA will be running a Christmas raffle. The PHA have sent tickets home **tonight should anyone wish to buy one.**

**In addition**, if anyone would like to **donate prizes** for this please contact **Viki Smith** on the details at the bottom of this page.

Full details of our main prizes are listed on the tickets:

**1st prize**—3 night stay in luxury cottage for up to 8 guests

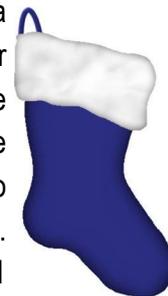
**2nd prize**—£50 M&S gift card

**3rd prize**—Champagne & chocolate hamper

#### 2. Christmas Stockings

Each year we ask the children to bring in a small gift for their class Christmas stocking. This will be raffled off at the Christmas party.

This year we will be asking children to bring in a small item between Wednesday 1st December and Friday 3rd December. Items usually include sweets or small/inexpensive novelty toys. These do not need to be wrapped. Teachers will also discuss this with the children in the coming days. Children will then be able to buy tickets for £1 each from Monday 6th December. Details of how this will work will be published next week.



#### Christmas Cards

This year due to challenges in school, we are not creating Christmas cards via cauliflower cards as usual. However, Christmas cards can still be designed and created at home using Cauliflower Cards 'Individual Artwork Projects'. If you would like to sign up or would like more information please visit <https://www.cauliflowercards.co.uk/individual-project>. They can produce cards, mugs, wrapping paper and more with your designs.

**Order by 14th December for delivery before Christmas.**

Any one wishing to become involved in the PHA is invited to also contact the PHA on the details below.

Viki Smith—Chair person - 07734 960809 or email  
[christchurchschoolaughtonpha@gmail.com](mailto:christchurchschoolaughtonpha@gmail.com)

## Key Dates Coming Up Soon

### 6th-10th December

Monday 6th	KS1 Nativity 2:00pm YEAR 1 ONLY
Tuesday 7th	KS1 Nativity 2:00pm YEAR 2 ONLY Y6 WWII Day
Wednesday 8th	Y5 Victorian Day
Friday 10th	Christmas Jumper Day Reception Nativity

### 13th—17th December

Monday 13th	KS2 Christmas Concert in Church 6:00pm Santa Dash (Uganda sponsorship)
Tuesday 14th	Reception, KS1 & KS2 Parties
Wednesday 15th	Y3 Ukulele Concert
Thursday 16th	Christmas Dinner Reindeer Visit
Friday 17th	Staff Panto Worship 1:30pm <b>2pm finish</b>