# Aughton Christ Church C of E Primary School N E W S L E T T E R— 9th December 2021

Our school value this half term is: "Trust"

'My God is my strength in whom I trust'

Psalm 18.2

# **Notices**

# Covid-19 Updates

Whilst over the last week numbers of Covid-19 cases across school have reduced, please be aware that we continue to have some positive Covid-19 cases across school this week. We understand that you may find this concerning but please be assured that we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health.

Please click <u>here</u> to view guidance from Public Health regarding positive cases within a school setting.

After conversations over the last 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 measures 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 children where Covid-19 numbers are higher

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

## Last week of term

Next week is out last week of term. We ask everyone to remember that school will finish at the earlier time of 2:00pm on Friday 17th December. In order to keep you fully informed of some the key events in school and how we will celebrate with the children, please see page 2 of our newsletter for a full timetable of events.

## **Nativities**

We are delighted that our Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity went ahead as planned and was incredibly successful. We are looking forward to welcoming Reception parents into school tomorrow and KS2 parents to church on Monday. All parents have received letters outlining details and safety measure for these events. Please contact school if you have any concerns about these events.

Please be aware these are events you must have a ticket to attend.

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

Monday 13th December— KS2 Church Service for parents of children in Years 3-6 at 6pm.



# **Holidays**

We continue to have some request for holidays in term time. 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.

# 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.

#### **PHA Christmas events**

# **Christmas Raffle**

The PHA have organised our Christmas raffle. Tickets have been sent home and should be returned by Wednesday 15th December at 12:00pm. Extra tickets can be collected from the school office. A draw will be made on Thursday 16th December.

Details of our main prizes are:

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

# **Christmas Stockings**

Children have been bringing in fantastic gifts for their class stocking which look amazing and are hanging in the children's classrooms. Children can buy a ticket for £1 in their classrooms. They just need to bring in £1 for every ticket they want to buy and give it to their class teacher who will enter them into the draw. The draw will be made at the class party on Tuesday 14th December.

## 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 <a href="https://example.com/here/beta/h



Date	Event	<b>Details</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	All children are invited into school wearing a festive jumper or clothing on this day. A donation can be brought in which will support the charity <i>Save The Children</i> .
	Reception Nativity	Our Reception children will perform their first nativity. *Entry by ticket only.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Nativity in Church	KS2 children will hold an evening service at 6:00pm. *Entry by ticket only.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party Day	Children are invited into school wearing their own clothes on this day for a Christmas party.
		School lunches will be as normal on this day.
		All children will have an hour party in the hall and festive activities in the classroom.
		We will also be drawing the winner of the class stockings.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 ukulele concert	Children in Year 3 will perform a festive ukulele concert. Parents of children in Year 3 will receive a letter of invite and tickets.
	Santa Dash Each class will collectively complete: Reception - 6 miles Year 1 -6 miles Year 2 - 6 miles Year 3 - 12 miles Year 4 - 12 miles Year 5 - 18 miles Year 6 - 18 miles	All children are invited into school wearing festive clothing and suitable footwear as they complete the given distance around our running path. We ask if children can bring a small donation for completing their run to support our sponsor children in Uganda.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner, Film Afternoon and Reindeer Visit	Each class will have their Christmas dinners or packed lunches together in the classroom before a special film and activities in the afternoon.
		We will also have some special visitors this day as two of Father Christmas' reindeers will make a visit before the big day. Children will have the opportunity to go and say hello.
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Worship 10 am Finish at 2:00 pm	We will have a special worship in the afternoon to focus on the true meaning of Christmas. We will then finish school at <b>2:00pm</b> .

