Aughton Christ Church C of E Primary School

N E W S L E T T E R— 18th March 2020

Our school value this half term is: "Justice"

'Learn to do right.

Seek justice.'

Coronavirus

Notices

Following our previous weekly updates, I would like to remind all families that school continues to operate and be open in line with Government guidance. Our school will continue to follow Government guidance and I ask everyone to be aware of the guidance which can be accessed via the link below.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-aboutcovid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19

Throughout the coronavirus outbreak, I would like to continue to reassure all parents that we are clearly following all Government guidance to ensure our children remain safe in school and continue to receive their education where possible. We will continue to adjust our practice daily as government advice is updated each day.

I wish all of our parents to know that our ongoing procedures include;

- Clear handwashing procedures for all children including; entry to school, break times, P.E times, meal times and other necessary times. These procedures are carefully monitored in school by staff.
- Anyone entering the school premises must wash their hands.
- Cleaning procedures throughout the day which ensure surfaces, handles and key areas around school are regularly cleaned.
- No whole school assemblies to reduce large gatherings.

Due to the change in Government guidance earlier this week, we are continuing to ask anyone showing symptoms or who lives in a house with an individual with symptoms to self-isolate as outlined in the guidance. We ask everyone to continue to monitor the government bulletins as guidance may change on a daily basis.

As a school, we firmly believe that following Government advice, ensuring a calm, safe and enriching environment for children and being here for all our families is important at this time.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of our school community who have been incredibly supportive of every aspect of school recently. In particular, all of our children have been tremendous in every part of school life over the last few weeks and I would like to sincerely thank them for their amazing attitudes.

If families are self-isolating, I would like to pass my best wishes on to them all on behalf of everyone at school and look forward to seeing you again soon. Please do keep in contact with school and let us know if you have any concerns. We are currently exploring and planning how we will effectively provide learning for pupils who need to self-isolate and will keep you updated.

I have also detailed other events which are now being changed due to the coronavirus.

Mr D Kennedy Headteacher

> Phone: <u>0800 046 8687</u> Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk Opening hours: 8.00 am to 6.00pm (Monday to Friday)



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Aughton Spring Music Festival

Unfortunately due to coronavirus, the music festival has now been postponed. We will inform everyone when a new date in the summer term has been arranged. Thank you for your understanding.

PHA Events

Due to current coronavirus outbreak and in line with Government guidance, we have decided to cancel the upcoming Easter Bingo. Updates regarding future PHA events, including the summer fair, will be published in the coming weeks.

Parents Evening

We have decided not to hold parents evening next week in line with government guidance about social gatherings. Instead, the report card normally given out will now be sent home to view on Wednesday 25th March. Whilst we understand this is not as detailed as a parent evening meeting, we hope you understand the reason for this decision. If you feel after reading the report card you wish to discuss a particular issue with the class teacher, we ask you e-mail school at bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk and we will try to arrange for a discussion with your class teacher via telephone consultation. However please be aware that all teaching staff are unable to make calls during lesson time due to teaching commitments

Clubs

As of today, we will be cancelling all extra-curricular clubs after school. This again follows Government advice of cancelling non-essential gatherings.

Forthcoming Events

Year 5 Class Assembly—Friday 15th May

Parents, grandparents and guardians are warmly invited to attend Year 5's class assembly which is currently due to take place on Friday 15th May at 9:15am.

PSHE Meeting for All Parents

There will be a meeting for parents regarding the new PSHE Curriculum on **Wednesday 1st April at 6.30 p.m.** in the school hall. A letter will follow shortly, providing further details.

Yummy Catering

Yummy Catering's menus for the first half of the summer term will be coming home with the children this week. Please make cheques payable to 'L.C.C'. In light of the current situation around the world, we hope you understand that minor changes may need to be made regarding the school lunch menu depending on what is available at the shops. Any changes that need to be made still take dietary requirements into account. Menus should be brought back into school at the first available opportunity.

Parent Volunteers for School Visits

We are currently compiling a list of possible parent volunteers to accompany classes on school visits in the summer term. If this is something you feel you may be interested in, please contact the school office on Tel: 01695 421391 or alternatively bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk



Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- · there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas





Spring Term Clubs

(Second Half)

All clubs will start week beginning 24th February 2020

(Clubs are subject to change)

Monday	Yoga	3.30 - 4.15	Mrs Nolan (Year 1)
	Chess	Lunchtime	Mr Swift (Lunchtime)
Tuesday	Benchball	Lunchtime	Mrs Frackelton (Year 5&6)
	Drama	3.30 - 4.15	Mrs Chapple (Juniors)
	Spanish	3.30 - 4.15	Miss Fletcher (Year 2)
Wednesday	Choir	Lunchtime	Miss Geeson (Juniors)
Thursday	Maths Club	Lunchtime	Ms Jenkins (Year 1)
Friday	Running Club	Lunchtime	Mr Kennedy (Juniors)
	Cricket	3.30 - 4.30	Mr Kennedy (Year 5&6)





Outside Agency Clubs





Spring Term 2

Dance Talent - 3:30-4:30 pm (Y3—Y6) - Monday 2nd March to Monday 30th March Tennis - 3:30-4:30 pm (R—Y2) - Monday 24th February to Monday 23rd March

Summer Term 1

Dance Talent - 3:30-4:30 pm (R-Y2) - Monday 20th April to Monday 18th May

Summer Term 2

Team Theme-3:30-4:30pm-Monday 8th June - Monday 13th July

Please note that dates and times may be subject to change