



PADIHAM GREEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

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Lenten Read-around Our term ended calmly and reflectively as we gathered around symbols of Easter in our school hall at Padiham Green. We told the Easter Story with verse and song and it ended our spring term beautifully. Thank you to all our wonderful readers! We hope this Easter helps all your reflections of sadness be replaced with the hope and the joy of new life. Happy Easter! I hope you enjoy your Easter Eggs on Easter Sunday too and to those people who made sacrifices and fasted throughout Lent, I hope you savour whatever it was you chose to give up! So enjoy ... responsibly!

Our Spring Term Parents' Evening Thanks for your attendance at Parents' Evening and for sending that crucial message to your child about the importance of school. Thanks to all our teachers of course for all their preparation and to Mr. P for his support and to Mr. T for orchestrating the whole event!

Congratulations to Mrs. Armitage Successful completion of an 18-month Teaching Assistant qualification is something to celebrate. I love celebrating the achievements of our staff because of the example of hard work and dedication that it provides for our children. Well done Mrs. Armitage!

SWAT Cluster Times Tables and Spelling Bee Competition Teams A big well done to our children chosen to represent PG in the SWAT Times Tables and Spelling Bee competitions. Our Spelling Bee team consists of: Y1 Sophia; Y2 Alfie W; Y3 Hope T; Y4 Trixie F; Y5 Cooper B; Y6 Brandon C. A special well done to Brandon, Cooper and Hope who are going through to the finals!! Our Times Tables team consists of: Y3 Harbour- Jo C & Haider M; Y4 William S, & Bailey I-B; Y5 April M, Betsy P & Lawson O; Y6 Corey H, Dylan H & Jaiden W. Good luck!

Ukulele Concert for Year 5 Thanks to our Ukulele teacher, Mr. Williams for his expert tuition along with our resident expert Mrs. Horne of course! The concert was a great success and well done to Cooper for his guitar solo! Great confidence shown there! Thanks to our parents for attending and to our wonderful KS1 audience (pupils) too!

Recognition Assembly Welcome to Parents 9am for infants and 2.45pm for juniors. Many thanks to the Y2 parents who came last week. We will welcome everyone after Easter to see how we cope! Thanks to the parents for stacking the chairs at the back afterwards too! That's a real help! Thank you!

PG Parent Hub On Wednesday 19th April, a member of the school nursing team will be running a session on head lice. The session will take place from 8.45am - 10.15am. The session will include advice and tips on how to effectively treat head lice, including a demonstration on how to effectively wet comb. The school nurse will also be giving out leaflets with useful information on for you to take home. As this is such a reoccurring issue in school, we encourage as many parents to attend as possible. There will also be an opportunity at the end of the session, for parents/carers to ask the school nurse questions about any other issues.

Mr. O'Brien's Sports Coach Report Big Easter thanks to Mr. O'Brien for his excellent work in Sport + PE at PG. A huge thank you to everyone who took part in all the extracurricular clubs this half term. We have now had over 130 children take part in at least one after school club this year which is amazing! Thank you for everyone's commitment and I look forward to the new clubs starting after the Easter holidays.

This week's attendance figures

Whole School Weekly Attendance Figure = 95% (Below Local Authority Target 96%)						
<u>Class R</u>	<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>	<u>Class 4</u>	<u>Class 5</u>	<u>Class 6</u>
97.3%	98%	92.7%	91%	97.1%	96.6%	92.1%

Well done to **Class 1** for scoring the highest level in all our classes this week. That's great news but we still haven't met the LA target of 96%!! Let's make attendance every day a real priority next term to reach and bust the LA target!!

Easter Holidays! The Easter holidays start today! We return to school on Monday 17th April 2023. To our staff, have a well-deserved rest and thanks for everything you do for all our children. To our children, don't be bored because you could write a story, practise your times tables, spellings, reading! Please stay safe and be good!

And finally... On Easter Monday, Mrs. Dixon will have been married to me for 30 years! How lucky is she?! I don't usually include personal stories like this but I'm hoping this makes up for forgetting last year!

Happy Easter everyone! God Bless, Mark Dixon, Headteacher, 马克·迪克森 校长 (王大龙)