



*Jesus said, "Come, follow me." Mtt. 4:19.*

# PADIHAM GREEN CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents,

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Another week of Christmas fun and festivities at PG. There has been lots of Christmas learning including writing, arts and even Christmas maths activities. It was brilliant to see everyone in their Christmas jumpers today really getting into the Christmas spirit. Only another five more school get ups before we break up for the Christmas holidays, we break up on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 3.15pm.

Infant Nativity - Class R, 1 and 2 have recorded their Christmas nativity play. I have had a sneak preview of the performance and it is brilliant. The staff in the infants were really keen that despite current Covid restrictions which we have in place the children shouldn't miss out on the opportunity to perform the annual Nativity. After a little bit of head scratching and some brilliant problem solving by the staff, they decided that each class would take a different part in the show so that the bubbles didn't mix. So, Class R were the actors, Class 1 the choir and Class 2 the narrators. This has all now been put together on a DVD which will be sent home next week with the infant children. A huge thankyou to all the staff for working so hard to put this together especially Mrs. Mac for her film editing skills. I am sure once you get the DVD's you will be amazed at how talented our children are.

Fire Service visit - This week Class 2 and Class 6 had a special visit from Lancashire Fire Service. They taught the children about fire safety and what to do in the event of a fire. Year 6 also learnt about road safety and watched some very interesting videos about keeping alert when crossing roads and when riding a bike. It was very informative and the children were sent home with a leaflet detailing how you can get a smoke alarm fitted at home should you need one. Please ask your children what they learnt from their session.

Christmas Raffle -The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Winning numbers will be published on the newsletter.

Holiday Activity Fun - Any child who qualifies for free school meals can apply to take part in a great range of free winter fun activities supported by Burnley Borough Council this Christmas. Each activity is free to take part in and there are some great experiences that they can be part of over the holiday period. We have sent out a school spider message containing all of the information and how to book. If you would like a paper copy, this can be requested from the school office.

Padiham Parish Foodbank - The foodbank at the back of St. Leonard's Church will continue throughout Christmas on a Thursday at 5pm and there is no need to book. If you would like further information about the food bank please contact Rev. Kit on 07944 258477.

Christmas Free School Meal Vouchers - This Christmas each child who is eligible for benefits related free school meals will receive a £30 voucher covering the holiday period. If you have changed your email address recently, please can we ask that you ensure we have this by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. If you would prefer a paper copy please do let the office know by the same date. Thank you!

Name the Dog -To raise money for Padiham Green and the homeless, Year 6 are giving you the opportunity to win a dog teddy and chocolate orange by naming it. It costs 50p to enter. Bring your money into school and you will be given a slip of paper to put your guess on. This will be drawn on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Good luck.

Christmas Party Days - Next week the infants and juniors will be having a party afternoon. Your child can come to school dressed in their party clothes. Please ensure that they are still dressed for the weather.

Year R, 1 and 2 - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

## COVID update

We ask all parents to remain vigilant and access a PCR test for any child displaying COVID19 symptoms. The flowchart sent out previously is still in place and should be followed when deciding if your child should be in school or whether they should be in school.

### COVID19 Symptoms

*A high temperature (this does not need to be a measured temperature: it is whether you feel hot to the touch on your chest or back); a new continuous cough or a loss or change in your sense of smell or taste.*

*please email all results to: [parents@padihamgreen.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:parents@padihamgreen.lancs.sch.uk)*

In addition to this we are asking that if your child is generally too unwell to come to school, especially if they have sickness and diarrhoea that you get them PCR tested please, even if they don't have specific COVID19 symptoms, before they return.

## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle Service

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Lunch

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Raffle draw

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - School closes for Christmas

Take care, stay safe and God Bless, Lisa Tyrer, Acting Headteacher