



*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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### Children's Mental Health Week Next Week

There are a series of events taking place next week to mark our Children's Mental Health Week. There will be many opportunities next week to talk about issues that are very important for many children... and parents too. It starts with the virtual assembly with World Champion Thai Boxer, Rachel McKenzie focusing on emotional wellbeing, resilience and life-skills; and it ends with a **'Dress to Express' non-uniform day next Friday** to end our half term with lots of activities and opportunities for our children and their classes in between. Thanks to Mrs. Brown and Miss Clark for organising this for us all.

**Athletics Success** Padiham Green WON the Burnley Schools event this week! Amazing news with big thanks to Miss T and Mr. G! It actually led to everyone (me included!) claiming credit for this brilliant success but it obviously came down to the children's performances! This means we go to the regional finals! Keep working hard!

**An exciting 'sporting' football match to be proud of** We played St. James' Lanehead last night and what a cracking game! They scored two then we got one back; they scored again and we got another back; they scored again and we got another one back before they got a couple more but we NEVER gave in! We competed until the last second! It was a brilliant game to watch and I'm really proud of our players. The other teacher really praised our team's attitude too. Even though we lost, this was a great day for PG. I want to mention Ryan Wilkinson's 'seriously ridiculous' shot that hit the bar. It should have been on Match of the Day!

**Hot Chocolate Fund Raiser** Thank you very much to everyone who bought a hot chocolate yesterday (our juniors). We raised £38 for school and the homeless. It was harder than we thought, but we really enjoyed it. Thank you from Darcey, Hollie, Harriett and Ebony.

*This is a message from four of our older girls who brilliantly organised this initiative independently (but with some support ...thanks Mrs. Gardiner and Mr. P!). However, this has also raised a little controversy as some of our younger children asked why they couldn't have some!! Could this fundraiser be for the infants next time girls?*

**Padiham Green's 'Second Friday of the Month' Food Bank Friday Support... is next Friday!** This is our second, Second 'Foodbank Friday' of the month at PG. No pressure of course but if you can and you would like to support this initiative, we will collect appropriate food items here. Collections from the Food Bank at the back of St. Leonard's Church continue on Thursdays at 5pm. Further information available from Rev. Kit: 07944 258477.

### Attendance Codes and Letters

This week your child may have come home with an attendance letter and a registration certificate if their attendance is below 90%. All of the attendance codes we use for COVID-19 are as per the guidance from the Department for Education and their use is also confirmed by the Local Authority.

**'I' (Illness)** - Any child who has tested positive for COVID, whether they have symptoms or not.

**'X' (Non-compulsory school age or COVID-19 related)** - Compulsory self-isolation without a positive COVID-19 test.

**7 (Illness due to COVID 19) / 8 (Self-isolating due to COVID 19) / 9 (Shielding due to COVID-19)** - these codes are now redundant and were used during the initial lockdown, but still remain on the registration certificate 'Code Key'.

### Holiday Dates

Our website has now been updated with next year's dates and this can be found either by clicking on the 'Term Dates' shortcut on the homepage of our website, or by visiting the 'Holiday Dates' page under the 'Parents' tab.

### Mr. Tranmer's Update

Next Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, I will be holding two 'Safety & Wellbeing' information sessions, open to all parents/carers. This session is an important opportunity for meet to meet with as many of our parents/carers as possible to discuss some very important topics. Please see the back of the newsletter for more information. I would also like to second Mr. Dixon's words of congratulations to our amazing sporting teams on their continued effort and success in representing PG in such a positive manner.

**And finally...** We welcomed a visit from Mrs. Tyrer yesterday as she was showing off our Reception class and our canopy! It was lovely to see her and to hear about how her adventure in Clitheroe was going! The children who saw her were also delighted to see her too!

God Bless and stay safe! Mark Dixon, Headteacher 马克·迪克森 校长 (王大龙)