



*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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### **Comic Relief 2022!**

Thank you for all your donations and for buying noses and t-shirts and bobble-boppers (... *those things on your head that I can't remember the real name for!*) and making Comic Relief Day 2022 a memorable one. The money raised will support many charities affected by the pandemic as well as supporting circumstances further afield in the world. Our children have had a great day and this is another example of our hopeful return to normal and through donations and red nose sales we have raised £294.26, so well done all!. However...

**COVID-19** We still have to be careful as the news tells us that COVID-19 hasn't left us and it is possibly starting to re-emerge. This just means we still have to be vigilant and if you think about it, we will probably always have to be vigilant. So please support us and help where you can with the old hands - face - space etc and PCR testing if symptoms are displayed. Thanks.

**Dance Competition** Our PG Dance Team represented us in the Dance Competition this week. Our performance was amazing and we came second overall which is brilliant. Big thanks to Miss T ...and to Miss Jolie Forrest who led the group so well! We're delighted that she wants to support us next year too so we're delighted with that! And if you wanted an answer to that request Jolie, the answer is YES! Thanks to Mrs. Forrest too for all her support with hair and make-up. I offered her my advice but she didn't need it! Many thanks and congratulations to all our team! **Cross Country** It was also the cross country championship this week and Miss T led us once again with Mr. Tranmer cheering us on... in the cold and rain! This is a tough race especially in these conditions but the team ALL finished which hasn't always happened and I want to offer two mentions: Dylan H gave absolutely EVERYTHING! I was so impressed with you Dylan and Lexie M from YEAR 4 (!!!) ...Year 4! Lexie competed with everyone else in Years 5 and 6 and she came third. Two girls from Year 6 beat her (...one of them only just!) and she came away with a bronze medal which is amazing. Just imagine what this natural talent might do next year! Really well done Lexie! Great PG sportsmanship too so well done to all the team!

**Speech Therapy Top Tips** These apply to all children and parents and here's Tip No. 5 today.

**(Louise's) Top Tips for supporting your child's language development: .....Wait!**

Give your child time to respond.

Waiting gives your child time to process language and gives him or her a chance to respond or talk. Count to 10 before repeating your instruction or asking them the question again.

**Donations for Easter Raffle** Madison in Year 2 won the Big Bunny Raffle from Year 6 so well done Madison! We are still collecting donations from our Easter Raffle and tickets are still available from class.

**Dinner Money** Please can we remind all parents who pay for a school dinner that payments are due by the end of each week. Thank you.

**Year 1 Parents' Evening** Hopefully, you will have all had the School Spider message in Year 1 telling you that Year 1's Parents' Evening has moved to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022 with the same time slots. All other year groups will continue to have their Parents' Evening on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March (slots can be viewed on School Spider).

### **Parking on Green Lane**

Just another reminder to please be respectful of our neighbors, by **NOT parking** anywhere on the driveway leading up to the Green Lane Gate by the black entrance gates to the bungalows and to not obstruct the pathways leading to school. We have been contacted by the Police regarding this matter and we would just like to reinforce this message. Thank you!

**And finally...** Spring is definitely on the way as I saw my first pair of curlews of the year this week. Always an exciting moment for me! Sad but true!

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