



Our school value this half term is: "Generosity"

'Loving others as we love ourselves' (Mark 12.31)

Notices

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would once again like to offer my thanks to all of our families with their continued support in our new arrangements and procedures across school. I have said many times we will only be able to tackle the things that lie ahead if we work together; this has certainly been the case so far in every aspect of school. The staff and I certainly appreciate the understanding and support in all of our new arrangements from everyone.

School is functioning very successfully and all of the children have settled into school life amazingly well in the last two weeks. School has a real buzz and excitement as children are really enjoying their learning and experiences during the day and the staff and I are delighted to have all classes in attendance. Whilst we all hope this will remain the case, everyone will be aware of our school procedures that a class may have to close in the event of a positive case for Covid-19 in line with current government guidance. Indeed there are now many schools in the area where this has occurred.

I am therefore asking parents to be aware of the following key points:

1. It is important for all families to be aware that a **class may close at any point in the event of a positive case of Covid-19** and children will be asked to remain at home for a period of two weeks. This may happen part way through a day. All families should have preparations in place for emergency collection of children if necessary and be aware that children would have to remain at home in this instance and therefore have planned provision for this.
2. Home learning for any class that is closed and asked to isolate would resume the following day for a period of up to two weeks following this. Home learning will now look slightly different to the provision during the national lock down that happened last year. I can confirm to parents that home learning will include **daily work sent to your child to complete using emails and online platforms, opportunity for daily Zoom lessons for teacher input and support and feedback opportunities to support children's learning**. Full details of how this would look for your children will be released next week. If remote learning is required earlier, information will be released in more details to classes who may need access to this. However, I would like to reassure all of our families that we have been reviewing our remote learning procedures in line with Government guidance and considering the needs of our children. We will also continue to review remote learning policies and procedures which we will publish in full to you next week.

As we move into the third full week of term I am very aware that life for everyone will continue to change and bring challenges. What I continue to promise is that as a school we are here to work with you and support you and your children. I want to wish you all a lovely weekend and hope everyone manages to stay safe. As always if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to let us know.

Thank you

Mr D Kennedy

Headteacher

Year 1 Vision Screening

Children in Year 1 will be undergoing a vision screening assessment in school on Monday 5th October. Please note that Vision Screening is an 'opt out' assessment and therefore all children will be screened unless a reply slip is returned. All information regarding this screening has been sent to the Year 1 email page. If you have not received the information or have any questions, please contact Miss Sefton in the school office.

Secondary School Admissions

Year 6 parents please note the following:-

All applicants can apply now at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools or call 01772 532109 for more information.

The statutory closing date is 31st October 2020 at 23:59

You must apply even if your child already has older siblings in the school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

Changes to collection arrangements

Please can parents **inform the school office via email** of any changes to arrangements regarding collecting your child from school. Class teachers may not be able to check the class email pages during the day. Please email bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk. Thank you.

Parents Evening

We are holding a virtual parents evening via zoom on Wednesday 30th September so you can have a chat with your class teacher and discuss how your child has returned to school. **Please find a letter with more information and a form to be returned on page 2 of this newsletter**. Information will also be sent via the class emails.

School Photographs

Tempest Photography are currently scheduled to visit school to take individual and family group photographs on Tuesday 20th October. More information and consent forms regarding Tempest's new contactless proof viewing and ordering service will be coming home with the children soon.

Covid-19 Symptoms

To support the safety of all adults and children in school please adhere to Government guidance which states: (click on links to see further guidance).

Do not send your child to their nursery, childminder, school or college if:

- they are showing [coronavirus \(COVID-19\) symptoms](#)
- someone in their household is showing symptoms

[Arrange a test](#) if you or your child develops symptoms. Inform your nursery, childminder, school or college of the results.

If the test is positive, follow [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.

It is really important that you help nurseries, childminders, schools and colleges to implement these actions by following the advice set out here and wider public health advice and guidance.

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 30th September— Parents Evening

Monday 5th October—Year 1 Vision Screening

Tuesday 20th October—School Photographs

Monday 26th to Friday 29th October—Half Term

Tuesday 10th November—Nasal Flu Vaccine

We would like to remind parents to please not bring dogs with them when dropping off or collecting children from school.



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Friday 18th September 2020

Parents Evening Zoom Meeting
Wednesday 30th September 4pm-8pm

Dear Parent/Guardian,

You can now book a Zoom meeting with your child's class teacher as a virtual parents' evening on Wednesday 30th September.

Please complete the information at the bottom of the letter indicating your preferred time and return to your **eldest child's class email** by 4pm on Tuesday 22nd September. You will then be contacted by the teacher on Wednesday 23rd with a time slot and a Zoom link. Please understand that it might not be possible to accommodate your preferred time and if we cannot get in contact with you on the night, an alternative date and time will be arranged. Each conversation will be 5 minutes long.

Tips for using zoom:

- Please use your child's name when logging into the meeting.
- Please enter the meeting waiting room no more than 5 minutes before your allocated time slot.

Thank you

Mr D Kennedy
Headteacher

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