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Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon everyone. I hope everyone is well. We are pleased to have completed another successful week in school and the children continue to show amazing attitudes in all areas of school life.

Class Dojo

School is certainly busy and as we move into the Autumn Term we are all excited about launching our new online learning platform—ClassDojo. Everyone has been sent details of how to log into this platform this week and nearly everyone has now activated their account and returned the home school agreement for ClassDojo to school.

Today, class teachers have set the children a learning task on ClassDojo as part of their homework. Teachers have ensured the first task is straightforward to allow children, parents and staff to get accustomed to how Class Dojo works. Once all children have had an opportunity to look at the task and respond we will then be evaluating how this went next week so we are able to use this as part of our remote learning provision if needed.

We will also be evaluating how ClassDojo can be used alongside our existing class practises to enhance learning for the children. Now that everyone is signed up we will be keeping you informed of how we will be using this further in the coming weeks. If you have any concerns please do get in touch.

Social distancing drop off and collection of children

Everyone is well aware of our drop off and collection procedures now. They are working really well and we'd like to thank everyone for their support in these as they are a crucial part of our health and safety procedures to keep children, staff, parents and our wider community safe.

As infections rates rise, the social distancing element of these procedures is essential. We'd like to remind all parents of the following points:

1. Only one parent to drop off and pick up.
2. No dogs are allowed on the school site.
3. Parents must remain in the markers and social distance at all times
4. Parents should not approach staff at the start or end of the day. Any concerns should be sent in an email so a telephone consultation can be arranged.
5. Parents should not gather to hold conversations either on the exit route or around the school grounds.

These key measures will be monitored closely next week.

As we enter the weekend, I'd also like to remind everyone of the key messages from Public Health Lancashire on page 2. As we move forward through these challenging times it is important we all continue to work together in following this advice.

Finally on behalf of everyone at Aughton Christ Church C of E Primary school I want to wish you all well and hope you stay safe.

Mr D Kennedy
Headteacher

Emotional and Mental Well-Being

We understand the challenges that the pandemic has created for everyone.

Emotional and mental well being is important for us all, please click on the website below for support if you are worried about this within your family and do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns.

<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/childrens-mental-health/>

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.

School Photographs

Tempest Photography are currently scheduled to visit school to take individual and family group photographs on **Tuesday 20th October**.

Letters including consent forms for Tempest's contactless ordering system have been sent home in the children's bags today. Please complete and return them to school on Tuesday 13th October. Thank you.

Koch Goma Sponsorship—Advanced Warning Of Non-Uniform Day

We will be holding a fundraising day on **Thursday 22nd October** in order to raise money for the 7 children at the Koch Goma School in Uganda that we currently sponsor. Children are invited to attend school on this day wearing their own clothes on this day in exchange for a donation to this cause. In light of Covid-19, EduKid have created a Just Giving page in order to collect any monies raised as safely as possible. Further details of this will be given next week.

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 20th October—School Photographs

Friday 23rd October—INSET Day

Monday 26th to Friday 29th October—Half Term

Tuesday 10th November—Nasal Flu Vaccine



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Notices

Key Messages from Public Health

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, Director of Public Health, has outlined the key messages to all residents of Lancashire. Please click on the icon which is a link to watch a video of Dr Sakthi Karunanithi presenting advice on the guidance and see the guidance below.



Taking into account all the regulations and guidance, our advice to the people and businesses of Lancashire is as follows:

- Do not socialise with anyone outside of your household or support bubble, either in your house, garden or anywhere else.
- Hospitality venues for food and drink must operate table service only.
- Leisure and entertainment venues, including restaurants, pubs and cinemas, must close between 10pm and 5am.
- Only use public transport for essential journeys – such as travelling to school or work, or medical appointments.
- A face covering must be worn on public transport and in taxis, shops and hospitality venues when not seated, unless you are exempt.
- Avoid attending amateur and semi-professional sporting events as a spectator.
- Only visit indoor locations such as restaurants and pubs with other members of your household or support bubble, in a group of no more than 6.
- People should work from home where possible.
- From Monday 28 September, only 15 people can attend a wedding service and reception - 30 people can still attend a funeral.
- A maximum of six people can take part in indoor team sports.
- Large sports events and conferences, planned from 1 October will not now take place.

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.

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available by phoning 0800 046 8687 .

Public Health England has produced a letter for schools and colleges to share with parents which explains when a child requires a coronavirus (COVID-19) test and what the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are. The letter can be accessed [here](#).