



Our school value this half term is: "Compassion"

'Noticing a need' (Mark 6.34)

School Photographs

Tempest photos will be distributed to the children and sent home on Friday 27th November. For larger photographs we may ask you to collect your purchase from the school office at a given time.

Flu Vaccination Catch Up

IntraHealth nurses will be revisiting school on Thursday 26th November to vaccinate specific children. Consent forms have been given out to children whose parents have requested this.

Year 2 Phonics Screening

Due to lockdown, the summer term 2020 phonics screening for children in Year 1 was postponed. The children will now be taking their phonics screening assessments during the **week of Monday 30th November**.

Children In Need

Thank you for your very kind donations last Friday. We raised a fantastic total amount of **£473.57** for Children in Need. Well done everyone!



Christmas Dinner—Thursday 17th December

On Thursday 17th December we will be having Christmas Dinner in school. If you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner, please tick the appropriate date on the Yummy Catering menu and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible in order to secure a meal on the day. For Juniors, please provide £2.40 payment with your menu (Infants are free but still require a menu). As our caterer must be given numbers in advance, we are unable to accept any orders on the day. Thank you.

SPAR Lancashire School Games Active Mile Challenge (23rd November-27th November 2020)

On Friday 27th November we celebrate Lancashire Day. To celebrate our great county West Lancashire Sports Partnership are prompting an initiative that has been set up. They would like you to go outdoors, explore our beautiful county and complete a mile of activity.

Between the 23rd November – 27th November 2020 we would love everyone in our school to go outdoors and complete one mile whether this be walking, running, hopping, skipping, cycling, scootering.....basically moving to cover a mile!

We also encourage parents, carers and our wider community to take part in the event. So that Lancashire can monitor your progress as well as see how many miles are being covered across the county, we would like each participant to log their mile via our online system.

Also when registering your mile, you will be automatically entered into a draw to win £400 to develop sport and physical activity offer in our school. The more people associated with our school that log an hour, the more entries school will have.

November 23rd -27th November 2020: LOG YOUR ACTIVE MILE (Do this via the link below) <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/BSFMQF/>

(Miles logged before the 23rd or after 27th November won't be counted).

November 30th 2020: Prize Draw and winning school announced.

Anti-Bullying Week—Monday 16th to Friday 20th

On Monday the children embraced Odd Socks Day. They wore odd socks as a way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week!

All the children participated in class activities around diversity, they designed their own odd sock and crayon which signified we are all different and unique but together we are complete. People may be different in many ways, including race or ethnicity, age, disabilities, language, culture, appearance, or religion. The children have learned how it's good to be different and we're all valued, despite differences such as how we look or dress, or what we eat or celebrate.



Year 6 WWII Theme Day

As part of their topic work on World War II, Year 6 will be taking part in a World War II themed day on Friday 11th December. The children have been asked to come in on this day dressed as an evacuee (they will discuss in class what this might look like). If you have any concerns regarding the dress code, please contact Mr Swift.

The day will be themed around WWII and will involve some of the following: radio broadcasts, designing and building WWII planes, role play scenarios, record singing for Hillcroft Nursing Home, cooking and team building activities. All of the activities will be completed on the school grounds and will be in line with the school's COVID19 safety guidelines.

Cards For Kindness

This term, our value is compassion. As part of this we wish to promote a Lancashire initiative. Cards for Kindness is an initiative which aims to reduce loneliness in our care homes by encouraging members of the community to send a card to a local care home. The Cards for Kindness project was originally set up by Lancashire County Council in summer 2018 and has since grown and developed across the partnership with more local organisations lending their support and more than 100 care homes now participating. If you want to send a card all you need to do is write one, attach a stamp and pick a local care home to send it to. Templates are available at <https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/CardsForKindness>



Advent Windows—1st December

We are so excited to tell you all about our plan for this year's advent windows! On the attached clue sheet (pages 2 & 3), you will find all the information and all the clues that you need to complete the Ultimate Christmas Treasure Hunt! 24 houses, 24 words and 24 days to find them all...let the treasure hunt begin...Then join us for our Christingle service on Zoom and Facebook on Christmas Eve to see if you have got all the right answers. Hope to see you all there!!

Many Christmas blessings to all,

Sarah and Andy

Aughton Christ Church

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 30th November—Year 2 Phonics Screening Week

Friday 11th December—Year 6 WWII Theme Day

Thursday 17th December—Christmas Dinner

Friday 18th December—End of Term

The Ultimate Christmas Treasure Hunt

Starting on 1st December

Forget the chocolate advent calendars this year and take part in the healthy alternative. As we announce that the Advent windows are back for 2020!!! More windows, fun for all the family and COVID friendly.

This year there will be 24 decorated windows to visit throughout Aughton. However, whether you see all 24 is completely up to you, because it will be your job to find them all...

The map of Aughton below, indicate that there is a window nearby. Along with the map, there is also a space to write down 24 missing words which you will have to spot in the various windows.

Once you think you have them all keep them safe and on Christmas Eve at 4pm tune into our Christingle service on Zoom or Facebook and we will reveal the missing words.



Advent Windows: The Treasure Revealed (Spoken Word)

God _____ the world that he
gave his one and only son
At _____ time we see how
this story has only just begun
From the moment the angel appeared
to Mary, saying:

_____!
It was clear, that history was about to
be made...

The angel continued, Mary with God
you have found _____
You're going to have a son, who'll be
known as the _____
This will happen through the power of
the _____
It will change everything for you, you
can wish your old life _____

Though for her husband _____,
he wasn't sure about this mission
So, the angel came to him in a dream
and he got the _____
Call the boy Jesus and he'll be known
as Immanuel - _____
Because to God, everyone is _____
the fuss

Yet because of those in charge at the
time, Mary and Joseph had to

_____ they went,
to watch Gods plan unravel
When they arrived,

_____ was available
So, they had to make do with a

For _____ this would seem
to be the strangest of beginnings

Especially for the one who would also
be called the _____
But as for now, in his Mother's arms
he lay
Wrapped in clothe and surrounded by
hay

When some _____ came from way
out from the east
They stopped by King _____ who
gave them a feast
The Magi moved on, their time with
Herod, not the greatest pleasure
Onward to Bethlehem, to meet Baby
Jesus and give him their

While on the hillside with their sheep,
sat a group of _____
Who were visited by Angels who sang
with heavenly methods
So off they went, _____, to
see Jesus in the manger
Because for this King nobody is a
stranger

So, there it is, the first Christmas tale
It's all about Jesus, the one who'll

_____!
Let's be like those Magi and the
Shepherds who came to get a view
Cause Jesus he came to be our best
friend, with a message saying
_____!

Stay connected

Please get in touch if there is
anything you would like to share or
if there is some way we can help
support you or pray for you during
this strange time.

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