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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

I am delighted to inform you that the children have returned to school positively and are making a wonderful start to the new academic year. Thank you for your efforts to meet the legal requirement to ensure that they attend school every day and arrive on time. Staff will be on the playground from 8.45am every day and the bell will ring at at 8.50am to signal that pupils go into class. The gates are locked at 8:55am and children arriving after this time are recorded as late and miss important learning.



Jesus said, 'I am the way' (John 14:16) and He came to show the path that leads to eternal life. This path is not always easy but with His loving help we can be true friends of Jesus, following His example of service and love to all. In Mark's Gospel (8:27-35) Jesus asks His disciples, 'who do you say I am?' Opinion was divided, some thought Jesus was a prophet, others believed He was the promised Christ; and for many Jesus, was simply a good man from Nazareth. Jesus was trying to teach them what was yet to come – a death on a cross, out of love for all of humankind and a love for God, the Father in heaven. Jesus reminds us all, in this reading, that just the like disciples had to be ready to give up everything for God, we too, must be ready and willing to put God at the centre of our lives. We must follow Jesus Christ in the lives we live and in our relationships with those around us. We know that making time to welcome God into our daily lives, through prayer and reading the bible, receiving the Sacraments and living by the Commandments we will live as Jesus' friends and rise to share in everlasting life.

Loving Father, as we follow the way of Christ, keep us faithful to you and forever close to your love. Amen.

ALLERGIES

PLEASE BE AWARE, WE HAVE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL WITH NUT ALLERGIES – AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT NO FOOD CONTAINING NUTS ARE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL E.G. PEANUT BUTTER

Risk Assessment and Contingency Planning for any Covid-19 outbreak – where we are now?

Unfortunately, Covid-19 has not gone away and we must all continue to work together to protect our children and ourselves as much as possible to reduce the risk of this in our school family. Please visit the school's website to view the current Risk Assessment and the Contingency Plan for any outbreaks of Covid-19.

Face coverings/masks are not required to be worn by adults on the playground, however, **if you feel safer and more secure wearing one, then please do so.**

Equally, the rules on social distancing have also relaxed but please be respectful of others and **observe the personal space of those around you.** There are no longer any staggered starts/finish times for classes – **all pupils need to arrive at 8.45am to start at 8.55am and all pupils finish at 3.15pm every day.**

It is essential that those pupils who have tested positive or are showing symptoms of Covid-19 **DO NOT come into school.** Parents must organise a PCR test for their son/daughter with:

a high temperature – this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back

a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Only when a pupil has tested positive, themselves, must they self-isolate for 10 days. If a member of their household tests positive they do not need to self-isolate unless they start to show symptoms of Covid-19 (and then the parent must arrange a PCR Test for them asap)

When a child is absent because they have Covid-19, teachers will provide remote learning for them via Class Dojo

School Uniform

We are very proud of our school uniform and how smart our pupils look and we want them all to look like they belong to our school family. Pupils must wear school uniform every day, including **black school shoes** (no trainers) and bring their school P.E. kits into school for this half term's lessons (no logos or football kits). Teachers will inform pupils about P.E. days and these will be published in the Class Newsletters Wednesday, 15th Sept.

Sacramental News



Father Michael has confirmed the date for **First Holy Communion 18 September 2021 at St. William's Church, at 12pm**, for those children who completed to

course last year.

Confirmation

Thursday **23 September 2021 at 6pm: St. William's Church.** (This is for children who have completed the Parish Confirmation Course last year).

Fr Michael is having a meeting for parents wanting to enrol their child into **First Holy Communion** programme this year (for baptised Catholics in y4 or above) **Sat 11th Sept at 11am at St William's Church Hall.**

He is having another meeting for parents on **11/09/21 at 12pm at St. Matthew's Church, in Allerton, for those parents wanting to enrol their child in the Confirmation** programme (for those pupils already completed First Holy Communion programme). **Please speak to me, at school, or telephone Fr Michael if you want further information (01274 542534).**

Breakfast Club

Parents wanting their child to attend this must book in advance every Friday, before 12pm. Pupils must arrive under the shed (press the bell!) between **8am and no later than 8.30am**. It costs 50p per child, per day and this is a really positive way to start the school day – socialising and enjoying breakfast with friends!

Secondary School Applications.

Secondary School Applications to be completed by 31 October 2021 online. If you require any help, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Flu Immunisation

Each child has taken home a Flu Immunisation pack – if you would like your child/children immunised, please return signed forms to school within the next 7 days – thank you.

Milk Money

Today was the deadline for Milk orders, Please complete and return the form by 3.15pm Monday 13 September.

Please return all consent forms to school office as soon as possible.

Keeping Children Safe: Online Safety

Please monitor your child's use of online activity to keep them safe and so you know who they are engaging with. Here are a few helpful reminders:



Attendance & Punctuality

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts!

This week's Trophy Winners!

Class	%	Number of Lates per class	Time lost through lateness	Number of pupils on time
Ash	90.1%	1	55m	24
Oak	96%	3	14m	23
Beech	93.8%	4	1hr 22m	21
Lime	96.2%	2	20m	25
Holly	92.8%	1	24m	27

94.2% Overall school attendance

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Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: Yusuf, Kacper, Oliver, Kiamy, Oliwia, Keyaan, Lena, Kristians, Adam and Ushara.

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Daniel, Yusuf, Hakeem, Kyle, Nikola, Konrad, Klaudia, Win, Hassan and Filip

Virtue Certificates this week:

Raheem - Love, Karolina - Love, Mia – Love, Ayra – Simplicity and Kevins – Faith

'One thing I did in my school Holiday' Raffle Prize Draw

The winners for Oak, Beech, Lime and Holly are Kyle, Jakub, Ruby and Patryk and well done to all those pupils who uploaded their work on to Portfolio. I have enjoyed reading what you have all been up to during the summer holidays and parents, this shows us that our children can access Class Dojo, if they are absent for testing positive to Covid-19 and have to access their learning remotely.



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
happy birthday dear

Konrad, Suzanna and Amaan

happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.

Supporting MacMillan Cancer Charity September 2021

This year we will hold several Tea & Cake Afternoons to support this very worthy cause. Classes will host these

in turn and families wishing to donate cakes/buns must please provide all donations in their packets sealed (no home made donations this year, due to risk assessments and safety measures). Parents/carers coming to support each class, will arrive at the main entrance 2.40pm.

Mon 20/09 Holly Class 2.40-3.15pm

Tues, 21/09 Lime Class 2.40-3.15pm

Wed 22/09 Beech Class 2.40-3.15pm

Thurs 23/09 Oak Class 2.40-3.15pm

Ash Class will have a Stay n Play Wed 22/09 8.55-

9.25am, parents/carers can take a bun to support

MacMillan Cancer Support. Donations will be collected

from Friday, 17th Sept. Thank you for your generosity.

Dates for your diary:

13.09.21	Newsletter Raffle Prize Draw
15.09.21	Class Newsletters added to Dojo
20.09.21	MacMillan Coffee Afternoons
18.10.21	Parents' Consultation Evening
21.10.21	Parents' Consultation Evening

Prize Draw for all pupils whose parents read this newsletter on Class Dojo by 13th September!

Have a lovely weekend and see you all Monday, at 8.45am

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Use **class dojo** to send home learning work back to your child's class teacher to be checked.

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