



THE CHURCH
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GREAT PRESTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Weekly Newsletter 9th November 2018

Dear parents and carers,

It's been an incredibly exciting first week back, not least because of the new playground equipment which was installed over half term. The impact has been clear from the very first day. Photographs of children enjoying the equipment have been included throughout the newsletter.

We would appreciate the support of parents in keeping children off the equipment before and after school. They have been reminded in assembly to ensure they have asked a member of staff before using the equipment. This is to ensure their safety, particularly in wet or icy weather conditions.

Yours in learning,
Mrs Katie Pashley



Remembrance Service

There will be a service of remembrance held at Great Preston war memorial on Sunday 11th November at 2pm. Our worship committee will be in attendance to represent school however everyone is very welcome to join us if you are able.

Children from Year 1 to 6 have also been creating some wonderful 'peace flags' as we commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1. These will be displayed in St Mary's church hall on Saturday 10th. It would be great if you have time to call by and appreciate the wonderful designs created by children from Great Preston.

Lunchtime Assistant Vacancy

We are looking for a new lunchtime assistant to join our team!

- Are you eager to be a part of our wonderful new lunchtime experience at Great Preston?
- Do you enjoy supporting children, particularly in developing social and emotional skills?
- Would you relish the opportunity to learn new skills and procedures in order to provide the very best support for our children?

Every day 12-12.45pm

Please contact the school office to find out more and to collect an application form.

Deadline for applications: Friday 16th November noon

Interviews: Tuesday 20th November

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 who are this week's attendance superstars with a combined attendance of 98.5%. Well done Year 2!

Please ensure your child attends school regularly. Following an analysis of last year's data, it is clear that those children with poor attendance make less progress than those children who attend school regularly. The three Year 6 children with the lowest progress scores in 2018 had attendance below 95%.

Thankfulness Celebration

This week we celebrated the following children who have all demonstrated thankfulness in some way:

Nursery: Orla D and Jace H

Reception: Scarlett B and Evangeline M

Year 1: Oliver WL and Lily-Mae C

Year 2: Henry M and Emily G

Year 3: Alfie S and Noah H

Year 4: Scarlett K and Rosie L

Year 5: Alana F and Lewis C

Year 6: Abbie D and Alex W

Lunchtime servers: Chloe L and Haylan B

Well done to you all!



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Early Years Important Dates and Events

- Wednesday 14th December at 4.45pm- Reception Class Starry Night Event for parents and Reception children
- Wednesday 21st November at 2.30pm and 5pm-
- Tuesday 4th December at 6pm- open evening for prospective parents of Reception and Nursery children 2019
- Tuesday 11th December at 9.30am- Early Years Christmas performance for parents (Nursery and Reception)
- Wednesday 12th December at 2pm- Early Years Christmas performance for parents (Nursery and Reception)
- Monday 17th December (morning)– Nursery stay and play- further information to follow
- Monday 17th December at 2pm- Nursery and Reception Christmas Service in school with Rev Diane PARENTS VERY WELCOME



Safety

It has been brought to our attention that some children being collected by siblings who attend Brigshaw High School are behaving irresponsibly as they walk home from school. Please could we ask that you ensure a responsible person collects your child at the end of each school day and reiterate any road safety messages to older siblings who are being trusted to collect children from school.

In the interests of keeping all our children safe, please could we remind parents and carers to refrain from parking on the yellow lines at the front of school. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping your children safe.

Children in Need

Children in Need takes place on Friday 16th November. Children are invited to 'wear something spotty' for the day. This can be anything from spotty socks to a spotty pyjamas! We would welcome donations of £1 for this special cause and these can be handed to class teachers on the day.

A group of children have been working with Mrs Wilson to organise a bake sale on the day. Buns will be sold at playtime, with a suggested donation of 20p each. All children are invited to bring any bun donations into school on the day to add to the stall.

PTA Update

We are delighted to announce that the total amount raised by the Bags 2 School collection was £170. The extremely popular Glow Disco raised a whopping £316! We are hoping to raise enough money this year to install a new bike shed in the school playground.

The next meeting will be Friday 16th November at 2pm. As always, everyone is very welcome.



Important Dates – NEW DATES ADDED!

Sat 10 th Nov	Kippax Armistice Event 10.30am-4.30pm Kippax Methodist Church
Sun 11 th Nov	Great Preston War Memorial Remembrance Service 2pm
Wed 14 th Nov	Reception Class Starry Night Event 4.45pm
Fri 16 th Nov	Children in Need Wear something Spotty £1 donation BAKE SALE- 20p a bun
Tues 20 th Nov	School photos- individual and families
Tues 27 th Nov	Parent consultations 3.30-5.30pm
Wed 28 th Nov	Parent consultations 4.30-7.30pm
Tues 4 th Dec	Open Evening for prospective parents of Reception intake 2019
Fri 7 th Dec	Flu immunisations for Reception to Year 5 pupils
Mon 10 th Dec	Road Safety Team Christmas Pantomime in school for children
Tues 11 th Dec	Early Years Christmas performance for parents (Nursery and Reception) 9.30am
Wed 12 th Dec	Early Years Christmas performance for parents (Nursery and Reception) 2pm
Thurs 13 th Dec	Year 3,4 and 5 Christmas performance for parents 9.30am and 2pm
Fri 14 th Dec	Christmas Fair 3.30pm
Mon 17 th Dec	Christmas Service at Allerton Bywater Church for Years 1 to 6 PARENTS VERY WELCOME 9.30am
Mon 17 th Dec	Nursery Stay and Play (morning)
Mon 17 th Dec	Nursery and Reception Christmas Service in school with Rev Diane PARENTS VERY WELCOME 2.00pm
Tues 18 th Dec	Year 1 and 2 and musicians Christmas Carols by Candlelight for parents 9.30am
Thurs 20 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day – whole school Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 21 st Dec	Break up for Christmas