



'For with God, nothing is impossible'

Luke 1:37

Forgiveness is fundamentally for our own sake, for our own mental health. It is a way to

of the pain we carry.

Jack Komfield

This half term our value is Forgiveness. We have been talking with the children about how Jesus showed us the importance of forgiving others and we have discussed that sometimes we need to say that we are sorry when we make the wrong choices, but also that we can learn from our mistakes.

This week on Thursday evening, we have our second Parents' Evening of the year. If you havent't already, please make an appointment to speak with your child's teacher about the progress they are making this year. Working together, we can best support your child and help them make good progress.

Finally, in support of our PTFA, I would like to invite you to join them at their Coffee Morning on Tuesday 22nd March at 9:00 a.m. in school. If you would like to see how you can support the PTFA to raise money to buy additional resources and experiences for our children at Baines', please pop in for a coffee and a chat.

School News

Before and After School Wraparound Care

School has places available for before and after school care. If you are interested in a place for your child, please email bebridges@cidari.co.uk for more information.

Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

This week Colonel Scott, the Deputy Lieutenant of Lancashire visited school to talk to the children in Years 5 and 6 about the royal family and the Queen's 70th Jubilee celebrations. Colonel Scott also brought our school oak tree sapling to plant as part of the Queen's Green Canopy. We have decided to plant our oak tree in the grounds of St. Paul's Church, where it will have the space to grow and within the heart of our church community.

Amazing New Gardens

Thank you so much to Alan Hulme and the team at Urban Organic for transforming our tired, overgrown gardens into beautiful, calm spaces for our children and staff to enjoy. Alan Hulme, RHS National Judge, expert gardener and ex-Baines' pupil will be our VIP guest and will officially open our gardens on 26th April. Our House Captains will be invited to take part in the opening, along with representatives from our Governing Committee and PTFA. More details will be sent out to invitees later this month.

Events Coming up this half term

Parents' Evening 17th March

Appointments for Parents' Evening went live on Friday 4th March. Please book your appointment via Parentapp. Parents' Evening will take place during the evening of Thursday 17th March and parents/carers are invited to come into school to meet their child's class teacher. Our local PCSO's will be available for a couple of hours at the beginning of Parent's Evening to offer any support or guidance should you have any queries about safety matters.

Please contact the school office if you require support booking an appointment. Thank you.

PTFA Coffee Morning - All Invited!

On Tuesday 22nd March at 9:00 a.m. the PTFA are holding a Coffee Morning for all parents/carers. Please come into school to join the PTFA for a coffee and chat about fundraising and future events for your children.

Holy Week

Each year we celebrate Holy Week as part of our Easter celebrations. During the pandemic, we have not been able to take our pupils to church at all, so we are very excited to announce that during Holy Week this year, as we always did prior to the pandemic, we will be taking our Year 6 pupils to church to celebrate the some of the traditions of Holy week; the rest of Key Stage 2 will

take part in activities in school. Our Holy Week activities will end with a school service for Key Stage 2 pupils on Wednesday 30th March.

Key Stage 1 pupils will also take part in an Easter Service in school on 30th March.

Class Assemblies

This half term RCH and RSF will share their Class Assemblies on Google Classroom with the parents and carers of the children in their class.

International Resilience Conference

On Wednesday 30th March members of our School Resilience Committee will take part in the International Resilience Conference. On the day, our pupils will be presenting to the delegates at the conference, as well as taking part in a host of activities to boost their resilience. Parents/carers of pupils who are involved in this event will be sent more information in the coming weeks and we will update you on how the pupils get on, in our next newsletter.

School Office Noticeboard

Safeguarding

It is our aim to keep your children safe at all times when in school. We are also here to support you in keeping your children safe. This week you have been sent a ParentApp message with information regarding some learning done in school for your children on keeping themselves safe from sexual abuse. Below is a link to the NSPCC with regards to the 'PANTS' rule - this is to support you and your children with the safety and privacy of their bodies.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/

In an ever changing and increasingly more technical world, children are accessing a wide range of devices and this brings with it added risks. Our local PCSO's are therefore coming into school and will be leading sessions with our Year 4, 5 and 6's on Friday 18th March to support their learning and understanding of appropriate online behaviour. There is a link below and you can also access various links via our website to support you with keeping your children safe online.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/#

As always please contact school if there is anything we can support you with.

Reporting Absences

If your child is going to be absent due to any illness, you must either leave a message on the school answer machine, or complete the absence form on Parentapp by 9.30am on the first day of absence. Thank you for supporting our Academy with this matter.

Appointments During School Time

If your child has an appointment during the school day, please provide the office with medical evidence so we can put the correct mark on the register. You can bring the appointment letter with you, when collecting your child from the office or take a photograph and send this on ParentApp. If you received the letter by email, you can send a photograph to beadmin@cidari.co.uk or again on ParentApp. Please ensure that any evidence sent shows the name of your child and the date.

Lates

We are seeing an increase in the number of children arriving late in the mornings. The gates open at 8:45a.m. and close at 8:55a.m children arriving after this time will be marked as late before the register closes. Any children arriving after 9:30a.m. will be marked as late after the register closes, and this will affect your child's attendance. Persistent lateness can also incur a penalty notice fine.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform including their ALWAYS badge. Should you require any assistance with uniform, please contact Miss Sawyer, or Mr Walton at school to see if we are able to help. Replacement ALWAYS badges can be purchased from the school office for 60p.

Dates for Your Diary: March

Monday 14th March - Year Five Outdoor Adventure Day - Year Five will be visiting Windermere to take part in outdoor activities.

Thursday 17th March - St Patrick's Day - pupils will celebrate St Patrick's day in School with a whole school assembly, followed by a themed afternoon in class.

Thursday 17th March - Parents Evening - Nursery to Year Six

Tuesday 22nd March - PTFA Coffee Morning 9am - all parents/carers welcome to join the PTFA for a coffee and chat about fundraising and future events for the children.

Wednesday 23rd March - **World Maths Day** - Pupils will celebrate with a Maths theme day in school.

Monday 28th-30th March - Holy Week - Key Stage 2 Pupils will celebrate the Traditions of Holy week in School and at Church (Year 6).

Wednesday 30th March: KS1 Easter Service - Year One Pupils will lead us in our Easter Service for Key Stage One. The assembly will be uploaded to Google Classroom for all parents/carers.

Wednesday 30th March - International Resilience Conference - parents/carers of pupils who are involved will be sent more information on this event.

Friday 1st April: School closes at the end of the Spring Term at 3:15 p.m.



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