

N E W S L E T T E R

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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

We continue to follow all guidelines relating to the current Coronavirus outbreak. We receive daily emails from the Department for Education and Public Health England and will act upon any relevant guidance. The guidance update as at 3pm on Friday 13th March is:-

To support the delay of the spread of the virus, the Department for Health and Social Care has asked anyone who shows certain symptoms to stay at home for 7 days, regardless of whether they have travelled to affected areas. This means people should stay at home and avoid all but essential contact with others for 7 days from the point of displaying mild symptoms, to slow the spread of infection.

The symptoms are:

- A high temperature (37.8 degrees and above)
- A new, continuous cough

You do not need to call NHS 111 to stay at home. If your symptoms worsen during your stay at home period or are no better after 7 days contact NHS 111 online at 111.nhs.uk. If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999.

Current advice remains in place: no education or children's social care setting should close in response to a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England.

The most important thing individuals can do to protect themselves is to wash their hands more often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap and water. Public Health England recommends that in addition to handwashing before eating, and after coughing and sneezing, everyone should also wash hands after using toilets and travelling on public transport.

We have increased the frequency of hand washing and sanitising of door handles. Children should **NOT** bring hand sanitiser in to school. We would encourage children to bring their own tissues to school, however tissues will be available in all classrooms and staff areas.

We would ask that you emphasise with your children the importance of handwashing, which is the current recommendation to try and prevent the spread of the virus. Current advice now is to also wash your hands after using public transport. Please also remind children of the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' routine by encouraging them to sneeze or cough into a tissue or elbow, put the tissue in the bin and then wash their hands.

Parents should inform school immediately of any potential contact with confirmed or suspected cases of coronavirus.

If you or your children have recently travelled abroad, please visit <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/advice-for-travellers/> for guidance.

The Department for Education coronavirus helpline is available to answer questions about COVID-19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday), 10am to 4pm (Saturday to Sunday)

Please note, the Department are currently experiencing high volumes of calls and apologise for any wait that you may experience. To ensure that they answer your calls as quickly as possible they have now extended their opening hours to cover weekends.

We will keep you updated on the school newsletter of the current guidance. If there are any major/urgent changes these will be notified to you via ParentMail text.

REMINDERS

- **SICKNESS BUG** - If your child is sick or has diarrhoea, even if you think it is not related to a tummy bug, as per Health Protection Agency guidelines please keep them off school for the full 48 hours to do what we can to prevent any spread of infection.
- **ABSENCES** - Please remember to contact us if your child is going to be absent. The easiest way to let us know is by using the ParentMail app. Alternatively you can email Mrs Rourke (bursar@walton.lancs.sch.uk) or call us on 01772 335945. We need to know the full reason for the absence to ensure register entries are recorded accurately.
- **APPOINTMENTS** - Wherever possible appointments for dentists etc should be made outside of school hours. Should this not be possible then please remember to inform your child's teacher prior to the appointment. You should also inform the office so that we know to expect you.

CAR PARK/ROAD SAFETY

We are pleased to note that we have not received any complaints this week about cars driving on the pavement on Rosewood Avenue. We do, however, continue to ask for everyone to drive carefully, slowly and observe the Highway Code in relation to parked cars (giving way to oncoming traffic).

Speed of traffic in the school car park remains a concern and again we would ask all parents and carers to drive slowly and carefully in and out of the car park. Please also obey yellow no parking signs in the car park and on Rosewood Avenue.

This week we have observed drivers parking in the disabled parking spaces at the front of school who are not blue badge holders. We have staff, children and parents who need to use these spaces and we would once again ask that these spaces are kept clear for designated users and that you do not park in the space adjacent to the disabled parking spaces and along the fence by the path as these are for staff only.

PARENTMAIL

- Robinwood payments

Weekly, monthly or full balance options available. **Please ensure all payments are completed by 4th May.**

- Year 4, 5 and 6 visit to Brockhole, Windermere

Consent form and payment to be completed by 9am on Monday 16th March.

- NEW Year 4/5 visit to Blackpool Synagogue

Consent forms should be completed by 9am on Monday 16th March

YEAR 4, 5 AND 6 TRIP

If there are any parents of children not in Year 4, 5 and 6 who are able to help out on the visit to Brockhole, Windermere please let Mrs Plowman or Mrs Rourke know.

YEAR 3 FISH KEEPER NEWS

This week's Fish Keeper of the Week is Amelia. This is what she has to say about their experiences so far:-

'This week we learned about our new Honey Gouramis and how to feed fish properly to keep them healthy. We have used a map to find out where our fish live. Our Zebra Danios are from India. Next week we will make our last visit to the fish shop to collect our last fish.'

FACEBOOK UPDATES

Please visit our Facebook page, Higher Walton CE Primary School/Nursery to see what we have been up to this week!

- Forest School news



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Well done to our achievement winners for week ending 13th March:-

EYFS

Maths - Sofia H
Reading - Reeva
Writing - Violet
VIP - Lilith

YEAR 1/2

Maths - Bobby
Reading - Lorna
Writing - Isaac

YEAR 3

Maths - Caleb
Reading - Ethan
Writing - Ella-Grace

YEAR 4/5

Maths - Lilly
Reading - Harvey
Writing - William
VIP - Reece

YEAR 5/6

Maths - Tim
Reading - Jack H
Writing - Tyler
VIP - Lily

GOLDEN TICKET

Jack P, Nathan and Honey who can come in their own clothes on Monday.

INTRA SCHOOL COMPETITION

EYFS - Willow
Year 1/2 - Bobby
Year 3 - Jamie
Year 4/5 - Zac
Year 5/6 - Callum
School's best - Jamie

HOBBYCRAFT EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

Our Breakfast Club and After School Club children have decorated an Easter bonnet for the Hobbycraft competition and would like parents, family and friends to vote for them. First prize is over £100 of craft materials. Votes should be made at Hobbycraft Preston on Deepdale Retail Park.



SCHOOL DIARY

March 2020

- 16th - Football tournament at Lostock Hall Academy - week 1
- 17th - Guitar tuition - week 9
- 17th - Judo after school club - week 4
- 18th - Year 4/5 visit to Blackpool Synagogue ****NEW****
- 20th - Year 3 forest school - session 3
- 20th - PTFA family bingo evening
- 23rd - Football tournament at Lostock Hall Academy - week 2
- 24th - Dance from the Heart training - selected children
- 24th - No guitar tuition
- 24th - Judo after school club - week 5
- 24th - Last Choir Singing semi-finals at King Georges Hall, Blackburn
- 25th - Year 4, 5 & 6 visit to Brockhole, Windermere ****NEW****
- 26th - Year 5/6 class worship 3pm - all welcome
- 27th - Year 3 forest school - session 4
- 27th - Year 3 class worship 3pm - all welcome
- 30th - Football tournament at Lostock Hall Academy - week 3
- 31st - Guitar tuition - week 10

April 2020

- 2nd - EYFS class worship - all welcome
- 3rd - Year 3 forest school - session 5
- 3rd - PTFA Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Crafts - after school
- 3rd - School closes for Easter break 3.30pm
- 20th - School re-opens for summer term 9am

May 2020

- *8th - Bank Holiday closure
- 20th - Year 1/2 visit to Fleetwood Museum - **details to follow**
- 22nd - School closes for half term and Inset break 3.30pm

June 2020

- 8th - School reopens 9am
- w/c 8th - Dance from the Heart Roadshow - date to be confirmed
- 11th - Art exhibition in school - details to follow
- 12th - Year 4, 5 & 6 visit to Williamson Park, Lancaster - **details to follow**
- 15th - Class photographs

July 2020

- 14th & 15th - Year 5 bikeability days - details to follow
- 17th to 19th - Robinwood residential weekend
- 20th - School closes for the summer break 3.30pm

September 2020

- 1st - School re-opens for the autumn term 9am
- Holiday dates for 2020/21 can be found on the school website

***Please note the May Day Bank Holiday is now Friday 8th May due to the Government changing this date to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE Day**

PTFA NEWS

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

20th March - Family bingo evening

Friday 20th March 2020
Doors open at 5.30pm Bingo starts at 6pm

Bingo!

Tickets £3 (4 games)

Please send payment via PayPal (friends and family) to higherwaltonptfa@gmail.com
OR purchase with cash via our PTFA members at school

- Refreshments - hotdogs, sweets & drinks on sale
- £1 dabbers or bring your own
- Prizes - Easter Eggs and chocolate!

Enquiries to: higherwaltonptfa@gmail.com or via Facebook
Friends of Higher Walton - PTFA

Parentkind
Member Association

3rd April - Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Crafts - after school
June - Body Shop party
June/July - Pop-up ice-pop shop weather permitting

Details of these events will follow nearer the time.

NEW MEMBERS

New members are always very welcome! If you would like to get involved with the PTFA then please contact us via the Facebook page or by email: higherwaltonptfa@gmail.com.

SALE

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM
JACKETS £2
ALL OTHER ITEMS 50P

PAY AT RECEPTION

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NOTICES

<https://www.allsaintshigherwalton.org.uk/>



QUIZ NIGHT

Hosted by All Saints Higher Walton
& Holy Trinity Hoghton

at St Aidan's Church Hall
Bamber Bridge PR5 6QL

Saturday 14th March
at 7pm

RAFFLE

HOTPOT SUPPER & LICENSED BAR

MAXIMUM 4 players per team

PREPAID TICKET ONLY EVENT £7.00

Available from

Stephen Houghton 01254 851202 or
Stephen Niven 01772 312340

SERVICES

1st and 3rd Wednesday

10.00-10.30 Communion followed 10.30-12.30 Coffee Morning

1ST SUNDAY

9.15am Morning worship

2ND SUNDAY

9.15am Morning worship, with Holy Communion

3RD SUNDAY

9.15am Morning worship, with Holy Communion

4TH SUNDAY

8am Holy Communion, BCP, said service. 9.15am Morning worship

5TH SUNDAY

9.15am Morning worship, with Holy Communion (alternating between Holy Trinity Hoghton and All Saints Higher Walton - see the newsletter on All Saints Church website for details)

COMMUNION *then* COFFEE MORNING

1st & 3rd Wednesdays here in church



10am - 10.30am



10.30am - 12.30pm

A moment to pause during the week and then enjoy coffee, cake and chat

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Please note that School does not endorse any of the information we publish in our notices section. This information is provided to you as part of our commitment to keep you informed of extended services and community activities.




We're raising funds for 1st Houghton Scout Group



and we're going to paint
St Peter's Sheep!

Come and have a fun evening, enjoy a tippie or two and raise some much needed support for the kids of 1st Houghton.

Tickets
£25



You don't need to know how to paint, just how to have a good night out!
Book your spot now with Amanda Butterfield at mandbennett@googlemail.com or call 07879 270401.

Where: Higher Walton Community Centre PR5 4HU
When: Monday 30 March 2020, 6.30pm - 9.30pm



JUNIOR BAKE OFF

...IS LOOKING FOR THE UK'S
BEST YOUNG BAKERS
AGED 9 - 15



WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SUNDAY 5th APRIL 2020**

Enquiries:
applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk



Stepping into these shoes starts on Thursday nights

Are you a give it a go-er?

scouts.org.uk/join

#SkillsForLife

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Cubs meet every Thursday 19:15-20:30

For all 8-10 year olds

Join us for lots of fun, friends and adventures

For more information contact

Liza Lewis

gsl.1sthoughton@southribblescouts.org.uk



Brownedge Parish & Community

Festival 2nd - 8th May 2020

St Mary's RC Church, Browndge,
Bamber Bridge, Preston PR5 6SP

Festival Chairman Fr Mark Harold BA, STL

ART & PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITIONS,
EVENTS, FLORAL DISPLAYS

Your Bank Holiday week entertainment - all displays & events free to enter!

Sat 2nd Open 2 pm - 5 pm & after Vigil Mass
2.30 pm Official Opening & Awards presented
by Cllr Harry Hancock, Mayor of South Ribble

Sun 3rd Open 1 - 5 pm & after Evening Mass
2.30 Film (Narthex) 4.00 Solemn Benediction

Open weekdays 1 pm - 5 pm & 6.30 pm to end of evening event

Mon 4th Preston Gilbert & Sullivan Society 7.30
Songs from the operas

Tue 5th Skylarks Choir 7.30

Wed 6th Cuerden Church School Choir 2 pm
Fr Colin & friends 7.30

Thu 7th St Mary's & St Benedict's Primary 2 pm
The Last Supper (Cantata) 7.30
Cantata with congregational hymns

Fri 8th Festival Finale by Octavius 7.30

Full disabled access to all displays and events
Light refreshments available 2pm - 4 pm & during concert intervals
For more information and details of additional displays see us on
Facebook or visit us at www.brownedgefestival.org.uk

