



EASTER 2021 FRIDAY UPDATE – 26th March 2021



HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYONE!

It's been a really busy three weeks back in school for all the children and the time seems to have flown by and the Easter holidays are here with us already! Looking back to this time last year, I now have a sense of hope and anticipation for what's coming ahead, with a realistic expectation that school life will slowly return to normal over the summer term. I hope that as the summer term unfolds restrictions will slowly lessen and we can do more – as this happens I will keep you informed. For now though, on return to school after Easter, staggered start and finish times still apply with the same times as now and PE kit is still to be worn on PE days.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Easter and to have a safe and restful school holiday period and enjoy your Easter celebrations. I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 12th April.

"We know that Christ has been raised from the dead and he will never die again. Death no longer has power over him." — Romans 6:9

COVID INFORMATION FOR OVER THE HOLIDAYS FOR POSITIVE TEST RESULTS

If your child develops symptoms of Covid over the weekend (anytime up to 3.15pm on Sunday 28th March) and subsequently tests positive, please email school on head@samlesbury.lancs.sch.uk with this information so that we can follow track and trace procedures.

After this date/time please follow NHS reporting guidelines. If you have any questions about Covid please follow the link to the government information site.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

LATERAL FLOW TESTS AVAILABLE TO ORDER FOR THOSE WITH CHILDREN AT SCHOOL

The government are making available to families who have children or nursery, school or college age, lateral flow test kits. For more information about this please follow the link below for further information.

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

CONSIDERATE PARKING

We appreciate that staggered drops off and pick up times make the car park a busier place than it would be otherwise. Please can I ask that parents do not let their children walk across the car park unaccompanied to avoid accidents and injuries. Please can I ask that all car park users think of their speed as they enter the car park, please slow down accordingly – thank you.

SCHOOL DINNERS

As of 12th April 2021 there will be a slight increase of 5p per day for the cost of a school dinner.

PARENTPAY

Toast and milk are now available on ParentPay for the Summer term. Yr 5/6 will be refunded for 11 sessions (£2.20) due to swimming. Please can ParentPay accounts be checked and all balances cleared before the start of the new term – thank you.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please be aware that school is able to signpost parents to various channels of support for those who are being adversely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. This includes access to a food bank or local authority support for example. Please contact school (in confidence) if you think that we might be able to help.

EASTER COMPETITION WINNERS: Egg decorating competition, pupil charity art competition for St Catherine's Hospice and the FOSS Easter hamper raffle!

These will all be announced in our end of term celebration worship service this afternoon. There have been so many amazing entries for the egg decoration and the art competition! Photos will be published on the website today so everyone can see them.

END OF TERM PROGRESS WINNERS

These are also being announced this afternoon so the children won't know until then! They will also be published on the website later today. Well done to you all!

Reading Progress Award KS1: Minnie Y1

Reading progress Award KS2: Joshua Y6

Writing progress Award KS1: Leo YR

Writing Progress Award KS2: Kai Y4

Maths Progress Award KS1: Jesse Y2

Maths Progress Award KS2: Poppy Y4

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – FREE VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME FOR 4 TO 16 YEAR OLDS

As part of Lancashire County Council's Holiday Activity Fund initiative, Youth Action is running a virtual activity camp over the Easter holidays called **Discover Camp**. If you would like to find out more about it and register your interest please go to: www.DiscoverCamp.YouthAction.org.uk.

END OF TERM CELEBRATION & WORSHIP

Today we are having our end of term celebration worship at 1.15pm to award our end of term progress winners; announce our team point winners, celebrate all those who have achieved a reading award and announce all our Easter competition winners including the FOSS Easter raffle. For parents who would like to join us below are the Zoom details you'll need to join with us.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86354315647?pwd=Ymxrb0o1VERxqjFCsy9NMIF5V29WZz09>

Meeting ID: 863 5431 5647

Passcode: 625636

SUMMER UNIFORM

In the summer months children can switch to light blue school polo shirts instead of shirt and ties, royal blue gingham dresses can also be worn. Please do bear in mind though that classroom windows are left open for ventilation throughout the day as part of our Covid risk assessment so children (and staff!) should be dressed accordingly for the temperature outside. Even with our heating on full it can still be quite cool in the classrooms.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Break up for Easter – Friday 26th March

Return to school – Monday 12th April

After school golf club begins – Tuesday 13th April

Class and individual photos – Wed 14th April

Year 5/6 Swimming begins – Wednesday 21st April

Have a wonderful Easter break and please do stay safe and follow all Covid guidelines.

Lucy Sutton

Headteacher