



# SAMLESBURY Church of England Primary School

Learning, Growing & Inspiring others through God's Love and Grace

Our Christian Value this half term:  
**Hope**

**'Let your light shine so that together in God's Love and Grace we learn, inspire others and grow'**

**FRIDAY UPDATE  
15<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

This half term's bible verse:

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

**Jeremiah 29:11**



We need some help to move some stones from the staff car park to the reflection area on the school field. If you are able to help after school for approx 15mins on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October it would be very welcome! We'll be moving lumps of stone from the wall where the new door was fitted last summer – they will be used to create an outdoor worship area. If you can help please let Sandra know. Thank you.

## A BIG HARVEST THANKYOU!



Thank you to everyone who donated to the harvest food bank appeal this year. A whole car was filled with dry and tinned goods donated by school and church, and taken to Cross Gate Church food bank in Preston city centre which is a fantastic organisation who help provide for vulnerable families and individuals within Preston. They provide food parcels, hot meals and company to those who need it. Canon Daunton led a fabulous service with everyone involved – it's so good to be back in church worshipping together!



## CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL- SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



This year we will be taking part in the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child Operation. If you haven't heard of this charity, please click the link below to their web page to find out more.

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

You can get involved either by making up your own Christmas Shoe Box or by contributing to your child's class Christmas shoe boxes. It's always a very special feeling on Christmas Day to know that child living in poverty somewhere in the world is being blessed with gifts out of our comparative wealth. **Every child bringing home a flyer today with information about what to**

**put in the box or what you can donate to your child's box.**

The DEADLINE to drop off at school Friday 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER. Boxes will be taken to the nearest collection point week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> November.

## FAIR TRADE SNACK SHOP – FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER



The pupil council will be selling Fair Trade apple juice and chocolate chip cookies on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. The cost will be £1 for a drink and a cookie - any profit will go to towards the packing/posting costs for our class Operation Christmas Shoe Boxes. The pupil council are working towards school becoming a Fair Trade school this year so if you can, please do support them. They are really keen to make a difference, raise the profile of Fair Trade produce and encourage everyone to think about where the food we buy comes from and how we can support disadvantaged producers in other countries.

## PARENT PAY



Please can you check Parent Pay accounts as there is a considerable amount outstanding – thank you.

## ONLINE SAFETY – NETFLIX 'SQUID GAME' SHOW



You may have heard of Netflix's new hit show 'Squid Game'. The content of this show, which is rated 15, contains often graphic and gruesome scenes and is totally not suitable for children to watch. Across the country it has become clear that many primary aged children are viewing it with copycat behaviour following. If you would like to know more about what to do to when there are online viral scares, click the link below which will take you to the **Think You Know**

website.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/theres-a-viral-scare-online-what-should-i-do/>

## COOL KIDZ - DISCO



Afterschool club are having a special session before the fancy dress disco next Friday when they'll be making masks and pumpkin bread. Children will be able to stop through to the disco. School staff will look after children from 5.45 – 6.00pm while they get changed into their disco clothes. If you would like to book them into the session, please do so via the Cool Kidz website. The price is the same as normal.

## MENTAL HEALTH DAY

It was World Mental Health Day on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October and LEHSC (Lancashire Emotional Health in Schools and College Service) have produced some new video resources to give parents/carers some understanding, tips and advice on how to support their children with their emotional wellbeing. Below are links to videos and resources created for parents/ caregivers on the topics 'What is Mental Health?' and 'Promoting Resilience in Children and Young People'. These are the first two videos, in a series of videos which they will be releasing over the next month.

<https://wp.lancs.ac.uk/lehsc/resources-for-parents/>

## PARENT'S EVENING



The Year 5/6 parent's evening will be **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 3.30 - 5.45pm – appointment times can be booked with Sandra from Monday.**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct 3.30 – 5.45pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> 3.30 – 5.45pm

## READING CHALLENGE AWARDS



**INFANTS:** Well done to **Amelia (YR)** this week who has achieved her **Reception Bronze Reading Award** and to **Tilly and Megan (Y1)** who have their **Year 1 Bronze Award**.

What a fab start to the year!

**KS2:** Jesse (Y3) 100% of his reading target! Amazing – well done Jesse

## APPLYING FOR SCHOOL PLACES



The applications process is open for a school place for September 2022 for both primary and secondary schools. Follow the link below for more information and to apply.

[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools).

## PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS



If your child has any achievements they would like to share and celebrate with school, we'd love to include it in the Friday Update.

Edith (Y2) has just found out that she is playing the lead role of Barnum in the Greatest Showman in her local drama club – well done Edith, you must be very excited!!



Jacob (Y3) and Jaxon (Y2) have both won a gold medal in their latest biking competitions. Well done boys!



## COMING UP THIS WEEKEND....



This Saturday, Zak (Y2) and his mum have been selected to take penalties at half time at the PNE v Derby game. It is part of a Black History Month and Kick Racism Out of Football initiative. Preston North End and Preston United Youth Group who have arranged for young Asian boys and their mums to take part in this fantastic event.

We wish you both the best of luck! What an amazing experience to have in front of thousands of fans (no pressure!). We look forward to seeing a photo next week.



## STARS OF THE WEEK & HEADTEACHERS AWARD



**Infant Class:** Zakariyah (Y2)

**Year 3/4:** Emelia (Y4)

**Year 5/6:** Frankie K (Y5)

**Head teacher's Award:** Kai (Y5)

Have a restful weekend.

*Lucy Sutton*

Headteacher