



# SAMLESBURY Church of England Primary School

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

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

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

**FRIDAY UPDATE  
3<sup>RD</sup> December 2021**

This half term's bible  
verse:

**Servants, do what you're told  
by your earthly masters. And  
don't just do the minimum that  
will get you by. Do your best.  
Work from the heart for your  
real Master, for God,  
confident that you'll get paid  
in full when you come into  
your inheritance.**

Colossians 3:24-25

*The Message*

## STARS OF THE WEEK & HEADTEACHERS AWARD



**Infant Class:** Annabella YR

**Year 3/4:** The whole of Y3/4 class

**Year 5/6:** Kai Y5

**Head teacher's Award:** Jack Y5

## NATIVITY PERFORMANCE - COVID ADAPTATIONS

At the nativity performances next week, only two adults per child can attend each performance and masks should be worn unless you are exempt. Please can we ask that you follow these Covid guidelines, as we would not want to turn anyone away. We understand that this may mean some family members can't see the performance live but DVDs will be available.

If you are attending the performance, please take a lateral flow test beforehand.

Thank you for your understanding in this as we look to keep everyone as safe as we can without cancelling or moving to streamed performances in school this Christmas.

## UNIFORM



We now have a new uniform supplier; the link to the website is

<https://schoolwearpreston.co.uk/category/sablesbury-ce-primary-school>.

They also have stock in the store, which is based at 54 Lancaster Road Preston PR1 1DD.

## PUNCTUALITY



This is a gentle reminder that the school day starts at 8.50am and all pupils should be in school just before 8.50am at the latest to ensure learning can start promptly. Children arriving late results in learning being disrupted for the whole class; for the child who is arriving late, it can mean that they can feel unsettled as they have to catch up on what is taking place in the classroom. Thank you.

## INFANT NATIVITY SHOW DVD RECORDING



A recording of the Infant nativity will be filmed by Alpha Photography. This is available to order on ParentPay at a cost of £14. You can pre-order it from today. The deadline for orders is Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

## THE NATIVITY 'BIG WRITE' DAY – 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER



As part of our Christmas celebrations this year we are having a 'Big Write' Day on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December when each class will retell the Christmas Story in a different way, or from a different perspective. As part of the fun, all children (and staff) can come to school dressed as a different character from the nativity. The infants will be able to use their costumes from the play or they can come as someone else if they would like to.

If anyone is struggling to make/source a costume, then a simple piece of tinsel turned into an angel's headdress or a dressing gown with tea towel headwear for a shepherd, would work just as well to help children get into the theme of the day. Non-uniform can be worn on the day with children's nativity themed outfits/accessories.

## CAR SPEED ON POTTERS LANE



Please can I ask all parents/carers/family who are dropping off and picking up children from school that a sensible speed be followed at all times both in the church car park and on Potters Lane to keep everyone safe. A local resident has contacted school to say they are concerned about a couple of incidents they've seen due to parents driving down Potters Lane at speed. We all need to be mindful of the safety of our school community and considerate of those who live down Potters Lane. Thank you for your understanding.

## PARENT PAY / PANTOMIME PAYMENT DUE



We're very excited to be able to watch a pantomime again this Christmas. Please can you check your Parent Pay account as the voluntary contributions for each child can be paid via the app. Thank you.

## READING CHALLENGE AWARDS



**INFANTS:** Well done to Theodore (Y2) who has achieved his **Year 2 Bronze Reading Award**. Well done to Olivia (YR) this week who has achieved her **Reception Silver Reading Award** and her **Reception Gold Reading Award**.

**KS2:** Alexia and Emelia (Y4) 100% of their reading target! Amazing – well done!

## DATES

**KS1 Nativity performances** – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> 2pm & Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 6pm

**Christmas Jumper Day / Christmas Dinner Day** – (£2.35 for KS2 Children and will be payable on ParentPay) Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Life Education workshops visits in school** – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Fayre** – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 12-2pm

**End of term carol service and progress awards** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am in church

**Pantomime visit** – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas party afternoon** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December (bring party clothes to school to change into for the afternoon)

**St Leonard the Less Church Carol service** – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 6pm – all welcome

## 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.

## We've a swimming gallery first this week....



Jude and Jenson both earned new swimming certificates and badges last week: Jude achieved his 50m and Jenson his 5m. A massive well done to Jude and Jenson!

Theodore swam 200 metres at his swimming lesson this week. He was determined to do it with no armbands and didn't give up! Super achievement Theodore.

Leo has had quite the week. He has achieved not only his Stage 3 at swimming but also his 200m. Leo has also been invested into beavers this week. Incredibly well done Leo!

## ...now dancing!



Emily competed with her Latin Formation team on Saturday at the Blackpool Winter Gardens Empress Ballroom; they have not competed since May 2019 and have done a lot of their practice over Zoom so were really happy to be out enjoying themselves. They finished 14th of 19 teams. Well done for all your hard work – it must have been great to finally compete in the ballroom again!