



# Samlesbury CE Primary School

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## September 2019

### WELCOME BACK!

Hello and welcome back to school; we hope that you have had a restful and enjoyable summer holiday.

As you can see, the newsletter has taken on a slightly different format this year and will normally only be published on the first Friday of each month. It's a bit fuller and longer than previous newsletters and will contain lots of information (and photos!) about what's been happening in school and what's coming up.

I would like to welcome all the new families who have joined us this September and we look forward to getting to know you over the coming weeks.

All our classrooms are prepped and ready for another busy year of learning and we are looking forward to beginning redeveloping our outdoor reflection and prayer area this autumn - please look out for the parent action morning later in the term as all help is welcomed and needed!

It is lovely to see our youngest children settling into 'big school' life as well as their buddies and all the older children helping them to make friends at break times. Our children really are the best!

### STARS OF THE WEEK

With the newsletter now being once a month, the children who received a Star of the Week will be celebrated in the following newsletter. Parents will be emailed a week in advance so that you can attend Friday worship to see your child receive the award if you would like to.

### PARENT HELP NEEDED!

- Our school library needs a couple of hours every other week to maintain the system. It's really straightforward so no special skills are needed. Could you help out or may be you know a grandparent who'd love to be involved in this way?

- Is there anyone with the talents to help replace a short run of kitchen worktop in the staff kitchen area? It's a small job and we'd be very grateful for any assistance!

- On **Saturday 5th October @ 9.30-12.30pm**, we're starting work on redeveloping the outdoor reflection area. If you can use a spade, wheelbarrow and can lift and carry we really need your help! We've also got some free bark to move from a neighbour so if you've a wheelbarrow you could bring that'd be great. Refreshments will be provided.

**IF YOU CAN HELP WITH ANY OF THESE PLEASE LET US KNOW—WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

## MEET THE TEACHER DROP IN



Meet the teacher drop in will be on Wednesday 11th September at 3:15pm to 4:15pm The aim of drop in is to provide you with opportunity to meet the teacher or ask any questions that you may have after reading the curriculum newsletter.

### A BIG THANK YOU!

Thank you to our class and parents of 2019 for the very kind donation of money to go towards the redevelopment of our outdoor prayer and reflection area.



We will be inviting them all back to the official opening which we're hoping will be Spring 2020.

## CURRICULUM THIS TERM

This year, as we do each year, we will continue to provide a rich and stimulating curriculum in order for every child to make steps towards fulfilling their spiritual, social, emotional and academic potential. Don't forget to check out

the school website for regular updates and news.

The Autumn Term Curriculum Newsletter will be going out on Monday next week from both the class teacher as a paper copy and from the office as an email. These will give

you a comprehensive idea of what topics/ themes your children will be studying this term. We really do appreciate all the help our families go to with supporting reading, homework and learning at home.

## MUSIC TUITION

The Lancashire Schools Music Service will continue to provide tuition for a variety of instruments such as piano, drums, percussion, trumpet etc... If you would like your child to learn a new instrument, whether it is tuned or percussion, forms are available from the school office for Years 1 to 6.



## PARENT PAY

Parent Pay is the method to be used to pay for all additional items in school such as milk, toast, trips, uniform (which can be purchased via the school trends website and delivered to school for free), clubs, before and after school care, school lunches etc.. From September clubs, milk/toast will need to be paid in advance each term to secure their place. You can now set up standing orders on ParentPay.



## FOREST SCHOOL—INFANTS



Forest School 2019-2020: Mrs Kearns will continue to organise Forest School activities each **Tuesday** afternoon. Each year group in the infant class will go every three weeks so that all our infant children get to experience, learn and discover in our fantastic school Forest School learning environment. Please can all infants send a pair of wellies to school as soon as possible which can stay in school all year. More details will follow from Miss Wallace/Mrs Kearns regarding Forest School learning. The children will be able to build dens, try craft activities, play music or tell stories and plan their own outdoor sessions. We look forward to hearing of their exploits!

## FOSS EVENTS

At Sablesbury we have a fantastic group of parents who organise and arrange a wide range of fun, family based events for school which take place over the whole year. They would love to have new parents/

grandparents to join them as they help raise much funds to support school provide the best education for our children. Their next meeting is on Thursday 12th September at 7.30pm at school. Please do come along and see

what's involved - you don't commit yourself to anything by coming! I hope to see you there. If you've any questions please see Sue Redmayne, Mark Barkworth, Fiona Addison or any one else on the FOSS team.

## Worship Theme : Trust

**Bible verse:**

**You, Lord, give perfect peace to those who keep their purpose firm and put their trust in you.**



September Pupil Worship Teams are:  
 Friday 6th: DEXTER AND ETHAN  
 Friday 13th: HANNAH, HEMANI AND SUMMER  
 Friday 20th: GEORGE AND JOSHUA  
 Friday 27th: OSCAR AND HENRY

Everyone is welcome on a Friday morning for our pupil led celebration worship at 9am. Stars of the week certificates are awarded and if your child has any achievements they would like to share with the school then send them in on Fridays. We'd love to hear about them and celebrate with them!

## AUTUMN TERM CLUBS

(Please contact the office to sign up)

**Please note: We need a minimum number to run ballet classes. Deadline to sign up for Ballet is Friday 13th September.**

What	When	Who	Pick up time
Football/ Multi skills	Tuesday (Starts 10th)	All	4.30pm
Fitness Fun	Wednesday (starts 11th)	All	4.15pm
<b>Ballet (tbc)</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>4.15pm</b>
Garden-ing	Friday	All	lunchtime

## NEW SCHOOL ETHOS AND VALUES STATEMENT

At the end of last year we finished the process of reviewing our school ethos and Values statement and are really pleased to be able to share the finished version with everyone. Thank you to everyone who contributed from our school family. It really does reflect us as a school and myself, the staff, children and governors are very proud of who we are as a Church of England Primary School.

## SAMLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL ETHOS AND VALUES STATEMENT

### LEARNING GROWING INSPIRING

**'Let your light shine so that together in God's Love and Grace we learn, inspire others and grow.'** *Based on Matthew 5:14-16*

**Live as a light to others**

**Live to do good**

**Live to love God**

Our Christian vision, based on the example of Jesus Christ, is at the heart of everything we do. Through example and teaching, our children are encouraged to develop to their fullest potential; to search for meaning and purpose in life within a caring Christian environment; to grow spiritually through daily collective worship and prayer, to develop an awareness of God and to make a personal response of their own. We also teach and encourage our children to care for all of God's creation as an expression of practical Christian faith, showing a concern and responsibility for their homes, communities and the wider world. We believe that each one of us has the ability to achieve our highest potential, living and learning in the fullness of God.

### DAIRY DATES 2019-2020

This year we have planned as many of the key dates as we can for the whole year to try to help you plan work and family schedules more easily. I hope that you will find this list useful. Because it is so large it won't fit on the back of the newsletter so we have attached it as a separate document to the email you received with the newsletter. It is also on the website. This document will be added to over the year, as extra events and activities are planned so please do relook at it each month. An updated version will be re-sent each month with the newsletter.

### TOWER WOOD

This year's annual Tower Wood residential for Key Stage 2 will take place from Wednesday 30th October to Friday 1st November. There will be a Parent's Meeting on Thursday 19th September @ 3.15pm. We will be sharing all the details of the trip so if you've been to Tower Wood before you are more than welcome to come again.

### APPLYING FOR SCHOOL PLACES—PRIMARY AND SECONDARY ADMISSIONS

The deadline for primary school reception class places for 2020 is the 15th January 2020 and for secondary places it's 31st October 2019. The website address below is Lancashire County Council's application website.  
[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

### OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

The next newsletter will come out the first week of October and will be full of what's been happening, photos, and what's coming up. I hope you like the new format. Don't forget to look out for additional emails which we will send out as and when there's anything extra we'd like to tell you about.