



# St Aidan's Primary School

## A Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Mrs Debbie Greenwood

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

### Newsletter 16 – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021

#### Message from Mrs Greenwood

Happy New Year! This week has not been the start of term that we planned! All the staff in school have been working very hard preparing for online learning starting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January. It has been great to see so many children logging on and being excited to start learning in the practice sessions. Please get your child to follow the school routine set out in the learning pack and hopefully we will all be back together soon. If you have any problems or worries, please do not hesitate to contact us. Your support at this time is very much appreciated.

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

**Joshua 1:9**

#### Lockdown



As you are aware the country is in a National Lockdown. To keep everyone safe and to reduce the risk of spreading Covid-19 we are open to children of key workers and vulnerable pupils only.

#### Online Learning Timetable

We are now using Google Classroom for online learning that will be used to support the work sent home in the home learning packs. Please do not start these learning packs until Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Google Classroom will be where your child's **live** lessons will be streamed from and where their work is uploaded to. They will be expected to log onto Google Classroom at least twice daily to access their maths and English/ phonics lesson during the times below. A task will also be set in the afternoon.

Maths			
9:00-9:30	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
9:30- 10:00	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
10:00-10:30	EYFS		
English/Phonics			
10:30- 11:00		Year 2	Year 3
11:00-11:30	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
11:30-12:00	EYFS	Year 1	

## Free School Meals



If your child is entitled to free school meals and would like a food parcel for next week, please call the school office before 10am on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January or please message Mrs Greenwood or Mrs Harrison on Dojo. You will need to collect the parcel from school, a time will be given on Monday.

## Reception Admissions September 2021



Places are filling up fast for our Reception class in September, if you or you know someone who has a child due to start Reception in September, please contact admissions and complete the online form using this link

<https://www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions> or contact the school office for a paper form.

**The deadline for applications is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021.**

## Drop Off and Pick Up of Pupils

From Monday the gates into the school playground will be open to drop off children of key workers and vulnerable pupils from 8.40am and will be open again at 3.10pm for pupils to be collected. For your own safety and for that of the pupils and staff we are only able to allow **1 parent/carer** on the school yard to drop off children and to collect them after school. This is to prevent gatherings in the yard and to adhere to the government social distancing guidelines that have been put in place to keep you and your children safe. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated. **Due to the current situation with Lockdown we are unable to allow parents/carers to enter the building.**

**IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION**

## Star of the Week



Teachers have been planning and preparing work on Google classroom to help children with their online learning. Staff have worked hard to adapt classroom learning to engage and educate online whilst supporting the children still learning in school. I am sure you will appreciate, this is no easy job.

The star of the week award this week goes to all of the children, staff and parents for persevering with new technology and for supporting each other again to provide education and care during a global pandemic.



We are all in this together



Kind regards,

Mrs D Greenwood  
Headteacher