

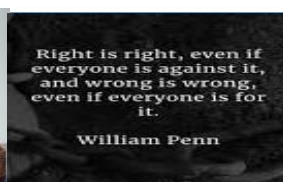
## 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021 Newsletter.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### Worship Theme this Half Term is: Justice



### Online learning.

Thank you for all your continued support in these very different times. We have seen 82% of children attending; this is an excellent amount of children attending online learning and we are very proud of all of you. Parents, please don't be hard on yourselves, we understand that online learning can be difficult and you have done a great job so far.

All parents should have received a Home Learning Booklet which will provide you with some useful information.

- Please can we remind parents not to take part in the live lessons. This is learning time for your child. Feel free to listen to the lesson if you feel it will benefit you and your child, but please do not join in with class discussions.
- Use Class Dojo if you are unsure or have any questions, but bear in mind the class teacher will be busy teaching your child and may not be able to respond straight away. Parents, please do not post messages or questions on Google Classroom, as this is a learning tool and for your child.

We recently sent out a questionnaire asking for Parents opinions on the online learning. Take a look at a few of our responses.

**'I am very very pleased with the live online classes. Secondly, a whole weight has been lifted off me when my child was given a computer to further his learning at home.'**

**'The amount of lessons are great'.**

**'Fantastic job, I can't fault it.'**

We also received some great ideas from parents to further improve the remote learning, there is still time to reply. Please do as we value your opinions.



### Pupil Voice.

**Thank you to our Head Boy and Head Girl for these words of encouragement.**

**'We would like to start off by saying how well you all are doing even though it is lockdown; we hope that we will all be in school soon and that you can make time to get out of your houses and have some fresh air! Keep up the good work.'**

## Free School Meals.

For those on Free School Meals, school will be providing you with a breakfast pack for over the half term holidays. There will also be vouchers for £15 for local shops to collect from school, similar to Christmas. Blackburn with Darwen will be providing vouchers. More updates to follow on Class Dojo.

If you have had a change of circumstance and you feel you may be entitled to Free School Meals. Please try this link. <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

If you are entitled, please let school know.



## Halal menu and lunch time.

Following the consultation with parents in November, we have now changed to the full new Halal menu. We have had excellent feedback from this so far and we thank you for your help with the change over.

Children who remain in school will have the option of switching between packed lunches or a school dinner on a day to day basis. The menu is now available on the school website.



## Keeping warm.

As you may be aware, part of our infection control is to keep the rooms well ventilated. This means we are keeping windows in all classrooms open. Your children may benefit from coming into school wearing an extra layer, (ideally a vest or tights) to keep them warm, especially during this cold spell.



## Parking

Please can we remind parents and visitors to adhere to school's request to park safely outside the school gates and not to stop in the road during morning and afternoon collections. This is important to help keep our children and roads safe.

Can we also remind parents to socially distance when arriving at school, this is very helpful in keeping all of us safe.



**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Event. Please send children into school wearing RED.**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Chinese New Year for the Reception Class. Children at home can join in online using the Google link.**

**February half term - School finishes Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February and Re-opens on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.**

