



Newsletter 7th May 2021

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With love we grow!

"Let us ask the Lord for the grace to love everyone." - Pope Francis

"Good friends, good books, and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life."— Mark Twain

Catering Arrangements - Please remember to pre book your child's meals in advance, the children can no longer book meals in class. The menus are available to book via Schoolmoney www.edsp.co/sm-login

Covid - We are delighted that we have all of the children back in school after their isolation period. Just to reassure you that we are following all guidelines in school with staff testing twice weekly, but we still need to be vigilant to do our part to get through this as best we can. If you or your children feel poorly with any one of the main Covid symptoms (a new, continuous cough, a high temperature, a loss or change to sense of taste or smell), please do not send children into school, please book a PCR test, contact school and the **household must self-isolate** until you have received a negative result (and follow the guidance should it be a positive result). Lateral Flow Test are not advised to be used for primary aged children and must not be used where symptoms are present, it must be a PCR test ([book a PCR test here](#)). If you do have access to a lateral flow test and use it for a primary aged child, we will treat a positive result in the same way as a PCR test and isolate children and class bubbles accordingly whilst a PCR test is undertaken.

First Confessions and First Communion - The year 4's will receive their First Confessions in school on Monday 24th May and will receive their First Communion over two weekends so that we can maintain social distancing. If you have not responded to the questionnaire about First Communion sent out earlier this week via "School Spider", please may we request that you do so as soon as possible, so that we can advise parents which dates they have been allocated? Please note the first date (12th June) has more requests than the second date (19th June).

Anderton Centre - The year 6 residential is going ahead at the Anderton Centre on the weekend of 2nd July. Please can any outstanding payments be made online and medical forms returned to school ASAP? Any problems please contact school.

Uniform - We are very proud of our school uniform and thank you for supporting us by sending your children to school so smartly. School ties are part of our school uniform and really do go a long way to make the uniform and are part of our school identity, please can we request that they are worn by all pupils unless wearing a Summer dress? Trainers must not be worn as part of the school uniform but can be worn to school on PE days only. Earrings must not be worn in school as part of our health & safety, please remove them at home before school.

Exciting news - We are introducing a new 'optional' grey checked skirt for the children should they choose as an alternative to the plain grey skirt. We are just awaiting for confirmation that stock has arrived at our uniform suppliers and will keep you updated when they are available.

PTFA Dare to be Different Day - The PTFA are having a fun fundraiser on Friday 28th May, details have been emailed out today. You can pay online for as many dares as you wish and it is not compulsory, but we know the children really want to "Dare to be Different" - 50p for each Dare!

Third Party Clubs - Please see flyers (attached) which we have been asked to circulate for Chorley FC Soccer School and Adlington Cricket Club - please contact them directly should you be interested.

Uniform Suppliers Slaters Eckersley Mill, Swan Meadow Rd, Wigan WN3 5BE Tel 01942 244426 <https://www.slaters-schoolwear.co.uk/> and Impressions formerly Standish Sports and Uniform based in Standish: The Standish Centre, Cross Street, Standish, WN6 0HQ. Tel 01257 400010. <http://impressionsuniform.co.uk>