



Newsletter 8th October 2021

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With love we grow!

"Before we speak, it is necessary for us to listen. God speaks in the silence of the heart." St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)

Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers. - Charles W. Eliot

School Admissions for September 2022 - Primary and Secondary school admission applications are now open for September 2022. If you have a child in Year 6 or in pre school at nursery, please go to <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>. Faith forms must be submitted directly to the school of application. Our faith forms are available from the school office or on our website.

Open Learning Morning - We are having two 'Open Learning' sessions in school in October which you are invited to attend. Please see below for the dates and times. We especially wish to invite new, prospective parents to come and have a look at our school in action. As we approach these dates, we will review the risk assessment with regard to Covid-19 rates, both locally and nationally.

Tempest Photographs - Please place your orders online preferably. If you are placing your order via school, please return your order by Monday 18th October. The courier is booked for this date so cannot be extended.

School Catering, Changes to Menus - As you are aware from the media, there is a national problem in the supply of foods to schools which is impacting on our regular menus. We have tried exceptionally hard to minimise any changes but cannot maintain the menus beyond this week. The new menus for next week have been uploaded on SchoolMoney and previous bookings have been removed. Please can parents/carers rebook any meals that you had previously chosen for next week? Thereafter, please book if you wish your child to have a school meal and they can choose their meal each morning on arrival. This is a temporary measure which we hope will be resolved quickly, I am sure you can understand the challenges it brings and reassure you that we are doing our very best to minimise the impact on the children.

School Crossing Patrol - We have been advised that there will be no school crossing patrol at the crossroads at the top of Adlington after school today or the whole of next week. If your child needs support crossing the road please make suitable arrangements.

Holy Cross High School - Year 6 Open Events for one parent and child to visit the school. Bookings can be made via their school website or via their school office, please put a note in your child's planner to inform when/if they are attending.

Covid 19 - Current advise from Lancashire PHE, is if your child is unwell with 'a cold, sore throat, developing a rash or any of the classic Covid 19 symptoms' (a cough, temperature or loss of taste or smell), please keep them at home and book a PCR test. The positive cases we have had in school have not started with classic Covid symptoms but more like a cold or a sore throat.

Please also be mindful that when children get a negative PCR test it is only "at the time of testing" and does not mean that your child cannot go on to get a positive test thereafter.

History Alive, KS2 - Please can any outstanding monies be paid via SchoolMoney?

Young Voices - The initial order for tickets will be placed on Monday. Parents who have not placed their order yet can still do so, and a separate order will be made if required. Young Voices T-shirts are also available to pre order via the shop on SchoolMoney (Year 6 only), this order can be placed at a later date so less hurry is required for this.

Music Payments - Please can remaining parents make payment for the group guitar and keyboard lessons in school?

Flu Vaccination Programme

If you would like your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine in school please follow this link to complete an online consent form <https://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?Is=119668&Type=FLU>

The vaccinations will take place in school on Friday 19th November, the link will close on Tuesday 9th November. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu Vaccine since September 2021 please disregard this message. **If you have any problems accessing the link please telephone 0333 358 3397, option 3.**

Kind regards

Immunisation team

Message from Chorley Buddies - Chorley Buddies is continuing to grow and we need more people to join our fabulous team. We have opportunities in the following areas

1. Incoming Calls Team - taking enquiries from the public, clients and partners and taking appropriate action. This can be done from home at no cost using our technology. You are in complete control of how long you make yourself available to receive calls and can change it from day to day. Full training would be given, but it is really simple!

2. Shopping & Meds delivery service - Drivers, you can choose which referrals to pick up and can do as much as suits your circumstances. We also need drivers for our Food Clubs.

3. Food Clubs - we are planning to open a number of Food Clubs across Chorley starting from November and need volunteers with Food Hygiene qualifications. We also need general volunteers who enjoy meeting and chatting to people. Hours to suit.

4. Digital Marketeer - someone who can guide us through the maze of making social media work for us! So, with the COVID restrictions greatly lifted, perhaps this is the time to think about volunteering with Chorley Buddies and help us to keep Chorley smiling!

Call us on 01275 542367 or email us on chorleybuddies@svp.or.uk

Paul J McBeth

SVP Chorley Buddies

Dates for your diary

11th October - History Alive Year 6 - Vikings & Year 5 - Anglo Saxons

14th October - Year 1 Vision Screening Check

18th October - History Alive Year 4 - Ancient Egyptians

19th October - Open Learning Morning 9.15 - 11 am

20th October - Science Day

21st October - Open Learning Afternoon - 2.15 - 3.15pm

22nd October - INSET day (School closed to all pupils)

25th - 29th October - Half Term