



Christmas

We have spent some time in worship studying advent and the meaning of the candles in the advent wreath: children have been challenged to bring hope to someone they know, and someone they don't. You should have received a letter detailing all the exciting events that are happening over the next two weeks at school.

Website

The term dates for 2021-21 have now been ratified by Governors and are on our school website: <https://catonstpauls.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/TERM-DATES-2021-22.pdf>

Also, we are starting to upload fortnightly updates about the exciting learning that is happening in each class. Follow this link to have a look:

<https://catonstpauls.com/diamond/>

Nasal Flu Vaccination

The school nurses will be in school on Thursday 10 December administering the flu vaccinations but for anyone that has missed the nasal flu vaccination there is to be a clinic held at Queen Victoria Centre Morecambe from 9 am to 4pm on the Tuesday 15 December . please contact Vaccination Team on 01524 406672 to arrange an appointment.

Facebook

A polite reminder: to help keep our children safe, please do not add their names to any comments on Facebook.

Governor News

The full Governing Board met on the 23 November, when Anna Shone was re-elected as Chair and Tricia Griffiths Vice-Chair. We welcomed Alwyn Jenkinson and Hayley Whitaker as new Foundation Governors and know they will be an asset to our team.

The Headteacher gave us an overview of our school improvement priorities and a full report regarding his first term with the school. Other issues discussed were Safeguarding, term and holiday dates for the next academic year, budget and finance, educational visits, policies, and Governor Training.

On the 25 Nov, we had a Governors' zoom training evening provided by our County Governor Services. The topic was the marketing of our school. This was very interesting, with excellent engagement by Governors, and has given us some really exciting and innovative ideas to take forward.

Anna Shone, Chair of Governors.

Wrap Around Care

After School Club will be operating for the first hour only on Tuesday 22 December at a cost of £4.60. Please return your forms as soon as possible to enable your child can have a place.

All Age Worship at St Paul's

All Age Worship this Sunday at 9.30am in church. All families are welcome but please email revpaulboulter@gmail.com to let him know in advance. Thank you!



Churchyard Path

Work is starting on 7 December to relay the Churchyard path which goes from Caton Green Road and into the car park through the iron gates. Therefore please avoid cutting through the churchyard for the next couple of weeks until the work is complete. Thank you for your understanding.

Reindeer Rush – Tues 15 Dec

Caton St Paul's School are extremely happy to be able to take part in a sponsored "Reindeer Rush" to support St John's Hospice fundraising. Like many other charities St John's Hospice is heavily dependent on donations, 70% of the service they provide every day is funded through donations. All children are going to be encouraged to jog or walk 5 laps of our track, which equals a mile, a healthy target for everyone. You can donate via our just giving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Caton-St-Pauls-C-of-E-Primary-School1>

Or return donations with a sponsor form to the office. Unfortunately this year, we are unable to invite families to come and join in the fun, but this doesn't mean you can't help with the training! Why not send us your training photographs so we can share them in class with children. After the event, watch out on our facebook page for photographs of our Reindeer dash.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you very much for helping with The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. We raised £70.96. The district total was £6,725.00.

VIPs

A massive CSP well done to all our super VIPS this week. They have all shown Courage in their everyday lives

Diamond – Reggie for a massive improvement when learning his sounds.

Ruby – Izzy for always being a kind and caring friend.

Topaz – Sophia for being an excellent role model to others.

Emerald – Thomas for being so conscientious, thorough (in spellings this week), a super friend and role model.

Sapphire – Evie for working really hard in every subject, you have come to school this week with a really positive attitude.

Amethyst – Harry for always having such a positive attitude to everything you do and for being increasingly independent and organised. Well done.

VIP hoodies are taken home by a staff member to be washed over the weekend. These are then returned on Monday for the new VIPs to wear for the week.

Reverse Advent Calendar

We are supporting the foodbank again this year with their reverse advent calendar collections. We will have boxes in each bubble and it would be much appreciated if you are able to donate any items on the list.

The foodbank are at the moment also in particular need of:

Toilet rolls, toiletries, toothpaste, nappies, cup a soups, noodles, steamed puddings and long life fruit juice.

All items gratefully received.

Please also don't forget if you need any help or support yourself please contact head@stpauls.lancs.sch.uk. Please be assured your request will be treated in the strictest confidence.