



Prestbury Church of England Primary School

Let your light shine that people may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5v16)

9th September 2019

Value: Fruit -Love

Let your light shine....the light of Jesus

Dear Parents

What a great first week back! All of our children settled in so well, especially our Reception children. It has been a delight visiting the classrooms throughout the school and to see the excitement and 'buzz' of learning taking place.

The theme for our Worship this term is our strapline 'Let your light shine' –this is from Matthew 5v16: 'Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.'

This week we are focussing on the light of Jesus. It is hard to imagine a world without Jesus. Time is measured by His birth when we think of BC, His teaching is the basis for so much of the law in our country and beyond and has a profound impact on how people live their lives. But it is the message of forgiveness that is perhaps the most significant; the Good News of the Gospel - the news that we are, in Jesus, able to be forgiven for our sins and to walk with God day by day. It is the light of Jesus that means we know peace with God.

With the children we will be thinking about Jesus' life, His teaching and miracles, and how they brought light then and now and we will look at the forgiveness Jesus brings. We will also consider how Jesus' light shines in our lives each day, who else brings light to our lives and how are we a light for others.

I know that our school, our community, is different- it is better and blessed - because as a Christian community we have the light of Jesus at the centre of all that we do and as a guide for us.

It is good and important that we are able to show the light of Jesus to those who may, at this time, be in a place of darkness, below is an opportunity to show Christian love and the light of Jesus in a practical way.

Commissioning Service

On Wednesday 18th September at 9.15am there is a commissioning service that will take place at St. Peter's Church- parents/grandparents are very welcome. The aim of the service is to come together as a school community before God and dedicate ourselves to serving Him at Prestbury Church of England Primary School and seeking His guidance, strength and wisdom. It would be lovely to see as many parents as possible at the service.

Key Stage Meetings

Each Key Stage will stage Leader and their team will be able to outline the key areas they focus on in that particular stage, some of the planned areas of learning and activities for the coming year and how you will be able to support your child/ren.

- **Monday 9th September** The Reception meeting for new parents 12.30pm Nursery meeting for parents 11.45am
- **Tuesday 10th September** Y1 (2pm) and Y2 (2.30pm) meetings for parents in hall
- **Wednesday 11th September** Lower Key Stage 2 (**Year 3 and 4**) meeting at 2.30pm in the hall.
- **Upper Key Stage 2** (Years 5 and 6) meeting will be on **Thursday 12th September** at 5.00pm in the hall

PGL/Conwy-Y 5 and 6 Residential visits

PGL information meeting for Y6 Parents and Conwy information meeting for Y5 parents will be at 5.30pm on Thursday 12th September, straight after the UKS2 meeting for parents.

Parents' Forum

The next Parents' Forum will be on September 24th at 2.15pm and repeated at 5.00pm. At the meeting we will outline our areas of focus in 2019-20 and discuss areas of focus for future Parents' Forums.

Prestbury Village Show

On Saturday 14th September, Prestbury Village Hall opens its doors for its annual Village Show at 2pm. Every family has been sent home a programme. All the classes at school have entered into the Botanical artwork competition and there are other show classes that the children have the opportunity to show off their talents:

Make an animal out of fruit/ vegetables- pins, sticks etc allowed.

Make a flower out of card or paper

Two decorated eggs.

Arrangement of garden flowers/foilage in a recycled container.

6 small decorated cakes.

Poem entitled 'Our school', 'Our Village' or 'My Garden'.

Make a nature themed plant out of recycled materials.

Entires can be dropped off at the Village Hall between 8-10am with prizes of up to £5 in the categories.

Good luck!

Mrs Bamford & Mrs Hindle

Gardening

With a hiatus this year in Gardening Club, I am sending out an appeal for anyone who may be able to lend the odd morning/ afternoon to help with the maintenance of the raised flower beds in the juniors playground. The tasks would mainly include weeding and pruning. If you think you can help, please contact me.

Many thanks

Mrs Bamford

WASSADAMODRAMA Half term holiday scheme. I will be running a half term drama scheme at Prestbury Primary School, 10-4pm daily from Monday 28th October- Friday 1st November, with a performance from 4-5pm on Friday 1st for family and friends. The scheme is suitable for years 2-6, and is £120 for the week. For further information contact me at wassadamodrama@gmail.com or by mobile on 07496374446. There are also letters in Reception. Thanks! Claire Beresford

Forthcoming Events in school for the week beginning 9th September 2019

Monday 9 th September	Nursery meeting for parents 11.45am Reception meeting for new parents 12.30pm Y6 Class (Miss Cross' class) swimming.
Tuesday 10 th September	Y1 (2pm) and Y2 (2.30pm) meetings for parents
Wednesday 11 th September	Community Worship –all welcome 2.30pm LKS2 (Y3 &4) meeting for parents
Thursday 12 th September	5pm UKS 2 meeting for parents

	5.30pm PGL information meeting for Y6 Parents/Conwy information meeting for Y5 parents
Friday 13 th September.	9.00am PTA Teas & Tissues

Forthcoming Events in school for the week beginning 16th September 2019

Monday 16 th September	Y6 Class (Miss Cross' class) swimming
Tuesday 17 th September	
Wednesday 18 th September	Commissioning service at church – all very welcome.
Thursday 19 th September	
Friday 20 th September.	UKS2 visit to Eyam PTA Wine tasting event

David J Capener
Headteacher

PTA News

Welcome to a new school week and we hope you all had a good first week! Below are details of the forthcoming PTA events:

Dates for your Diaries

· Friday 13th September –

9am ‘The Big Welcome’ to all new parents in the Main School Hall. An opportunity to meet some of the PTA members and fellow new parents / grandparents & carers. Tea and coffee will be provided.

· Friday 20th September –

7.30pm – 10pm Wine Tasting at Laithwaites, Alderley Edge. The first PTA event of the year and we hope as many of you will join us and come and say hello. It aims to be a really fun sociable evening and will be the first fundraiser of the year. You will have the opportunity to learn about the various types of wine in a fun and interactive way by tasting 6 wines. Tickets are priced at £20 each and will be available during week of Monday 9th September 19. There are limited spaces so please let us know if you would like a ticket.

Making Contact with the PTA

If you wish to contact members of the PTA with suggestions or queries please e-mail: prestburypta@gmail.com.

You can also connect via the Prestbury PTA Facebook which is used to send out reminders about the various PTA events (www.facebook.com/PrestburySchoolPTA). A reminder to change your settings to see all posts first on the PTA page to make sure you don't miss the events / notices. Please ask a member of the PTA if unsure.

Please also keep an eye on the PTA Notice Board situated on the driveway where we will post details on up and coming events / notices. There is also a green post box outside the School Reception door if you wish to make contact / post suggestions.

Class Reps

We are excited to find Class Reps for each year to work with the PTA and School to aid with communication about events / notices etc. The Class Rep provides an extra level of communication between the school and parents and helps enormously to ensure year groups / parents don't miss out on events. If you would like to nominate yourself please advise one of the PTA members either by speaking with us or contacting as above.

Smile @ Amazon

If you are buying anything on Amazon, it would be great if you went through the following link! Every purchase made through here will result in a contribution from Amazon to our school!
<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1109644-0>

PTA Lottery

We will be continuing with the PTA Lottery. Please look out for a Lottery Leaflet this week .

Have a great week and thank you for reading!

PTA Team Members:

Alex Montgomery (Year 2); Caroline Myers (Year 2), Jacqui Cheyne (Year 2 & 4), Julie White (Year 1 & 2), Nicky Dearden (Year 2), Sarah Supyk (Reception & Year 2) and Wendy Healey (Reception & Year 2).