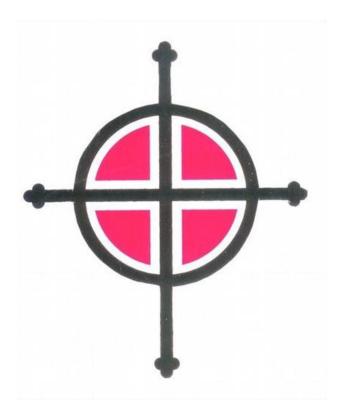


St. Philip (Westbrook) CE Primary School Newsletter 10/09/2021

#### Welcome to the new school newsletter



Together we aim high and with God's love we can fly.

Welcome to our new style school newsletter. Our hope is that this weekly communication will give you key information about the school and ensure that parents are kept informed about upcoming events.

# Message from the Head

Thank you for the warm welcome so many of you have given me during my first days as Headteacher at St Philip's. It has been a pleasure to start to get to know yourselves, the children and the staff at the school. I have spent this week finding as many opportunities as I can to get into classrooms, dining rooms and play areas to observe our school in action and I have been really pleased with the positive attitudes and excellent behaviour demonstrated by our children. St. Philip's is a special place and I am excited about our future together.

September, with the move towards a relaxation of restrictions, will potentially be a challenge for us all. We have become so used to living and working in isolated bubbles, it is inevitable that returning to an environment with a greater number of people mixing will, at first, appear strange. Indeed, many of our children found mixing with the wider school rather than their class bubble peculiar initially. I am pleased to say that the children responded positively to the changes and have settled well this week. Whilst

restrictions nationally have been lifted, we will still be taking a number of robust measures to limit any potential outbreaks at the school. We have a new Covid Risk Assessment which is now on our school website, please click the following link to view the Covid 19 Risk Assessment

Finally, whilst I may be new to the school myself, I would also like to welcome our new reception parents and children to the school as well as any other parents and children who have joined our school community for this term. I look forward to getting to know you and working with you to achieve the very best for your children.

Mr. Stanley

### Parking at School



A current focus for us is road safety around our school site and ensuring that our children can safely arrive at school. We are asking for parents' help in securing the safety of our pupils. Please could all parents avoid parking on the double yellow lines outside our school to drop their children off. This causes disruption to other road users and actually puts our children in danger as other cars move around parked vehicles onto the other side of the road. Please could parents park up in a designated parking bay and walk your children over to the school gates. When picking up or dropping off your children please do not park across the entrance to the school car park. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter, we **all** have a responsibility to keep our children safe and we can only achieve this if we all work together.

#### **Packed Lunches**



As a school we teach children about 'healthy eating' through our science and PSHCE curriculum. We are asking parents to support the school in our health education programme by ensuring that school packed lunches contain healthy choices. If parents could support us by not providing children with chocolate, crisps and sugary drinks in lunches it would help us considerably in our drive to educate our children about the importance of making healthy choices.

To ensure the safety of some of our children please do not include any food containing nuts. To help our cleaning staff, please could any wax covered cheeses e.g. *Babybel* have the wax removed before they are included in packed lunch boxes as they are very difficult to remove from the floor should they be accidentally dropped and trodden on.



#### **Contacting School**

When emailing into school please include your child's name, year group and class. This helps the office staff to identity which member of staff needs to be informed about any absences, appointments or changes to pick up arrangements.

All emails are to be sent to <a href="mailto:stphilips">stphilips</a> <a href="mailto:primary@sch.warrington.gov.uk">primary@sch.warrington.gov.uk</a>

Thank you for your co-operation.

### St Philip's Church Coffee Mornings

St. Philip's church hold a coffee morning every Thursday between 8.45am - 10.45am at the church. Everyone is welcome to attend.



### Star of the Week

This week in collective worship we talked about 'hope'. On Monday, Mr Stanley talked to the children about the value of hope and we discussed how the Lord's Prayer is a prayer of hope. We learnt about Christian refugees in Uganda who say the Lord's Prayer each day in the hope that their lives will

improve. We also learnt how to communicate the Lord's Prayer in British Sign Language and our children in Years 1-6 learnt it quickly and easily! We were all very impressed! Anybody who would like to learn the Lord's Prayer in British Sign Language, or any children who would like to practise, can view the video below.

In our collective worship this week, we also thought about the people of Afghanistan who may be currently fleeing from their homes and our children joined together to say the Lord's Prayer of hope for them.

Our children have been trying hard all week to show the value of hope and teachers have chosen the following children as Star of the Week for showing our Christian value of Hope:

- RecD Edward W
- RecV/T Max C
- RecP Annabelle T
- Y1L Ethan B
- Y1C Jacob H
- Y1S Daniel H
- Y2C Cohen R
- Y2K/A Luke O
- Y2B Eva T
- Y3W Toby E
- Y3R Selina C
- Y3H Lottie H
- Y4B Sophie G
- Y4D Abbie H
- Y4Mc Harriet W
- Y5T Frankie O
- Y5A Siri R
- Y5S Isla B
- Y6H Sophie M
- Y6E Poppy J
- Y6W Daniel B



### Parent Pay

Please remember to top-up your Parent Pay account before lunch service starts at 12 noon as it is school policy that payment is received prior to meals being served.

If your child is having morning snack please ensure that the weekly payment of £2.75 is on their Parent Pay account no later than 9.00am on Monday morning.

We are no longer able to make phone calls reminding parents to top-up their Parent Pay accounts.



# Change of contact details

Please remember to email school if you have moved house, changed your mobile number, email address or contact details for your child. It is important that the school has up to date details for you and your child in case of any emergencies.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## 100% Attendance



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Congratulations to Mr Callaway's, Mrs Hogan's and Miss Stewart's (Y5) classes for achieving 100% Attendance this week.

Well Done!