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## September Newsletter

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome back! It has been a delight and a pleasure to see everyone back together in school as we begin our journey back to some 'normality' once again. Having such wonderful weather has been a great help too!

We warmly welcome our new Reception children, who are now in school full time and their parents and families. We very much look forward to getting to know you all over the coming days and weeks.

You will be pleased to know that all of our worships and assemblies have returned to the hall where we can all come together as a school family and listen to The Word. This week we have been reflecting on our school values and our mission statement inspired by The Word in John's Gospel:-

*I have come so that they  
may have life and have it  
to the full*

**John 10:10**



In class this week, the children have been thinking about our school values and how these can be lived out in our daily lives at home and at school.

Our 'Welcome' Mass is organised for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September and all children will attend, we are very much looking forward to being back in church.

[Parents' Reflection for September](#)

Just a reminder that we still subscribe to Ten:Ten who provide super resources and materials to support prayer and liturgy across school. They also provide a monthly parent reflection at <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/>

Please take a look.

## Alpha Course

Mrs. Round has asked me to share some information on the Alpha course which she will be leading along with some others. It is an online course, very rewarding and everyone is welcome. The details are on the flyer below and emails to register can be sent to [alphalancs@gmail.com](mailto:alphalancs@gmail.com)



The flyer is orange with white text. At the top, the word 'Invitation' is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below this, a paragraph reads: 'You are invited to join us on **Alpha** from the comfort of your own home. Hundreds of people from various backgrounds in Lancaster have already attended and thoroughly enjoyed it.' This is followed by two lines of text: 'Have you felt isolated and lost?' and 'Is stress and anxiety ruling your life?'. Below these is the question 'Is there more to life than this?'. At the bottom, smaller text states: 'Starting Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm online with St Joseph's Church. Email [alphalancs@gmail.com](mailto:alphalancs@gmail.com) to register. Everyone welcome'. The bottom half of the flyer features a photograph of a laptop on a wooden desk displaying a Zoom meeting with several participants. To the right of the laptop is a mug and a pair of headphones. A circular logo with the text 'Try Alpha' and a red question mark is overlaid on the right side of the photo.

## Nasal Flu Immunisations

The School Vaccination Team will be in school on Wednesday 20th November to administer the annual flu immunisation for **ALL** classes. You will receive an email over the next few weeks with a link for you to offer your consent. The school nursing team arrange all aspects of the immunisation programme with parents and carers directly. School, in particular Mrs. Maudsley, does not co-ordinate consent any longer.

## Data Collection Sheets

In the next few weeks, we are sending home your child's data sheet showing all the information we hold on the school computer database and would be grateful if you could please check all the details, sign and return to the school office as soon as possible. Please check for allergies and food preferences and update this as necessary. It is vital that we have this information in school.

If you change address, telephone number etc. throughout the year, please let Mrs Maudsley know in the school office immediately so that our records can be kept up to date.

## Parents Evening

The first Parents Evening of the school year will take place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30pm. This open evening, as they were so well received, will be via Teams and will provide you with an opportunity to discuss your child with their class teacher. We aim to hold the second, spring, parents evening in school to give you the opportunity to look at your child's work and have an in-person discussion with their teacher.

## Uniform

We have been very impressed with how smart the children have looked on their return to school and by how quickly we all adapted to the very warm weather! I would like to take this opportunity to share some reminders about our uniform rules:-

- School shoes must be worn, trainers are not permitted.
- Girls are not permitted to wear large bows and accessories in their hair. Small clips which keep hair out of the face are acceptable. Long hair should be tied up out of the face.
- Jewellery, with the exception of watches, is not permitted in school at all. This rule is due to health and safety rules. If your child has had their ears pierced within the last 6 weeks and as a result these studs cannot yet be removed, we ask that you come to school and sign a health and safety waiver form. We will be happy to go through the waiver form with you. Unless this applies to you, we ask that all earrings are removed over the weekend.

Have a wonderful weekend, God bless.

Mrs. Shoulder