Andrews' Endowed Church of England Primary School Newsletter [Weekly Timetable on P2] w/e 9th October 2020

Autumn Term

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Learning Conversations for Parents and Teachers

We look forward to our first sets of learning conversations, scheduled for Monday to Thursday next week. Thank you for booking your appointment, and for sending in your questions to help the staff tailor your appointment to your needs. I hope these meetings form a good starting point for the partnership between home and school this year, as we all adapt to a world without the ease and regularity of meeting face to face. The teachers will do everything they can to keep to time, and we have built in some buffers to try to avoid too much time slippage. Please help us to keep each appointment within the 10 minutes allocated.

Communication between Home and School

Thank you for the lovely messages of understanding and encouragement we receive daily at the wall, on our schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk email account and via the school office. We do try to solve any problems you might encounter as quickly as we can and I truly appreciate the kind and open way our families communicate with us, even when something has gone wrong or you seek clarification about something we are doing.

Our Fabulous Children

One of the advantages of these strange times is that, although as adults we might find life a bit tricky, our children seem to be taking absolutely everything in their stride. It is a privilege to chat to different children in the morning as they gather, and I am always guaranteed a friendly conversation on my travels around the school during the day. I am extremely pleased with the high levels of attendance we are achieving, and with the children's positive and determined attitudes to their learning.

Next week we will be resuming our Celebration Worships, via video link in Years 1 to 6. Look out for Headteacher Awards from next week's newsletter too.

A message from The Parish of the Resurrection The Big Harvest Scavenger Hunt



"For families particularly (but we wouldn't stop anyone joining in) there will be the Big Harvest Scavenger Hunt on the afternoon of Sunday 11th October. See attached for a list of items to collect on a Sunday afternoon walk/ ramble and we ask that you don your walking shoes and go off and find them. There will be people outside St Lawrence Church and The Church of the Holy Rood between 2pm and 4pm to greet you at the end of your walk so that you can show off your collection and for you to receive your reward! (no groups bigger than six!) - thank you."

<u>Virtual Sleep Out - Can you support two of our pupils to raise money for homeless young</u> people?

Don't forget that intrepid Hugo and Elliot will be pitching their tent in the back garden tonight helping to raise some money for 'Step By Step', a local charity supporting young people facing homelessness. If you would like to give them your support and make a donation please visit https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sarah-jane-pullman

End of day collection

If you would like to give permission for a family member or a friend/another parent to collect your child at the end of the school day please ring the school office on 01420 83094 and let us know. This will be kept in the register until we are advised otherwise. If you have given instructions in the past to the school about collections we would be grateful if you could either confirm they should continue or notify us of any changes - much appreciated. We do need written permission before we can let Y6 children walk on their own - please notify us using schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk

Google Classroom

Thank you to all those families who have started (or re-started) using Google Classroom with their children over the past couple of weeks. At the moment, Google Classroom is being used by teachers for posting Homework tasks and by children and families for uploading completed tasks. Whilst the teachers are fully involved in planning and teaching their classes, please be aware that they are unable to respond to general enquiries from parents about their child's learning or wellbeing posted on Google Classroom. If you need to contact your child's class teacher about something, please send a message via schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk or call the office during school hours, and they will get back to you when they can.

Breakfast and After School Club

A reminder that all sessions taken at either of the above clubs must be paid **monthly in advance** and there is no refund if your child misses a session unless they are absent due to illness. October sessions are now on SCOPAY. If you pay with vouchers please can you confirm the amount you have paid and the date it was paid via schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk

Notifying the School When Your Child is Ill

All non-Covid related illness absence should be reported by phoning the school office on 01420 83094. Messages should be left before 8.30 am if possible, so that we know before the first groups arrive in school.

Please note that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they must not return to school for a full 48 hours after their symptoms have completely stopped.

If you have a child who is showing symptoms that you believe may be Covid related, [a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of, or change to sense of smell or taste] please let us know immediately by emailing schoolsupport@aepri.co.uk as well as telephoning the school office.

Hand Soap and Hand Cream

Just a reminder that if your child requires their own soap or hand cream we are only able to accept the following products, for which we have sourced the necessary COSHH sheets we are legally required to have. We have changed our school soap which is now less astringent, but if after a few weeks you feel your child needs to bring their own, please select from the following Hand creams: Aveeno, E45, Vaseline Intensive Care, Neutrogena, Palmers cocoa butter or Nivea. Hand soap: Nivea moisture rich, Carex Antibacterial, Waitrose essential hand wash, The Collection from Sainsbury's - original or honey. If your child has a prescribed hand soap/cream this is okay to bring in but it must be in the original box with the child's prescription. All items must be new and in their original bottles and not decanted. They need to have a clear name label on and must remain in school in the classroom. Above all, if you could help us to encourage your child to dry the backs of their hands and not just the fronts, some of the difficulties would be resolved without the need for additional products.

Lost Property

Please ensure that all items of clothing, lunch boxes, water bottles, wellie boots etc are clearly labelled with your child's initial and surname. We will not be having a Lost Property Box this term so we need to be able to return any items left in the playground to the correct class. Thank you.

Book Returns

If you have any school books that you have borrowed there will be a white box by the pedestrian gate for you to pop them into. Anything else that needs to come in to school can be dropped off in there too, please label it clearly so we know who it has come from, and who to give it to – thank you.

Empty Crisp Packets

We will be continuing to collect empty crisp packets this term. There is a blue box with black lid just inside the pedestrian gate for them to be collected in. Please ensure that the packets are completely empty and pop them straight into the box – please don't put in plastic bags or containers. If the box is full please pop them back another time rather than leaving them by the side of the box. We won't be asking the children to collect packets at lunchtime this time – they will need to take them home in their lunch box for a parent to pop in the box at drop off or pick up. Please remember to sanitize your hands before and after opening the box.

Cool Milk Scheme

Don't forget if you would like your child to receive milk in school your child must be registered with Cool Milk. You can apply on line at www.coolmilk.com or by paper application (copies held in the school office). You must register your child by **Tuesday 5pm** to start receiving the following week. If you have any questions regarding this you can contact Cool Milk directly on **0844 854 2913**. If your child is in Acorns and under 5 they will receive milk FREE but you must ensure that your child is registered **before** their 5th birthday if you wish your child to continue with milk.

Mrs María Lloyd

SCHOOL WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Theme for Collective Worship: Blessings

	Monday 12 th	Tuesday 13 th	Wednesday 14 th	Thursday 15 th	Friday 16 th
Morning 8.55 –12.00	Y3 Parent/Teacher Learning Conversation Telephone Calls Y6 / Y5/ Y3 / Y1 PE Brass Lessons	Y1 Parent/Teacher Learning Conversation Telephone Calls Acorns PE Violin Lessons	Y4 Parent/Teacher Learning Conversation Telephone Calls Y6 / Y4 / Y2 PE	Y5 Parent/Teacher Learning Conversation Telephone Calls Y3 / Y2 PE	Y5/Y4/Y1 PE Woodwind Lessons
Lunchtime 12.00- 1/1.15pm					
Afternoon 1 / 1.15 –3.30	Guitar Lessons				
After School Activities					
Evening Activities					

TERM DATES 2020/21

Autumn Term 2020

3rd September – 23rd October (NB: INSET DAYS – 3rd & 4th September) Half Term - 26th October – 30th October 2nd November – 18th December

Spring Term 2021 4th January – 12th February Half Term - 15th February – 19th February 22nd February – 1st April (NB: INSET DAYS – 22nd February)

Easter Holiday: 2nd April – 16th April

Summer Term 2021

19th April – 28th May Half Term 31st – 4th May 7th June – 23rd July NB: Bank Holidays: Monday 3rd & 31st May