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November Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term break even though the weather had been a bit dreary. The children have been amazing since they came back !

Forgiveness

 This half term we are studying the Christian value 'Forgiveness' with a real focus on encouraging children to say sorry for when they have made mistakes and forgiving others. We have included an information sheet on the value in the pages below with ideas of how you can support your children with our value.



Communication

Newsletter subscription

Subscription via the website is on the School Website home page:
<http://www.allsaintscofe.lancs.sch.uk/>

HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE CHORLEY ALL SAINTS APP ?

Open your app store on your phone/device and search '*School jotter*', click install. Type '*PR72LR*' and click on 'Chorley All Saints' Church of England Primary School'. This will sign you up to the School app. You will receive notifications when news/newsletters are shared, however you may need to check your phone settings to allow notifications to come through.

Facebook

On the 12th November we will be closing the original school group page on Facebook to an official Chorley All Saints business page. This page will be for announcements and news only. You can find the new page by searching '**Chorley All Saints**' in the Facebook search box and 'Like' and 'Follow' to receive news.

Seesaw

It is important that all parents' **sign up to 'Class Seesaw' & 'Family Seesaw'** as all homework and communication from the class teacher will be via this method. We will also share pictures of your child in their work and class activities. Instructions and your child's log on details will be sent home.

Staff can only respond in school working hours, Monday to Friday 8.30am – 4.00pm.

Facebook Messenger

Please could we ask that parents **do not** contact staff via their personal Facebook messenger inbox. If you have any questions or concerns, please can you contact school via appropriate channels e.g. telephone, email or Seesaw (school working hours only).

Autumn Term 2 Afterschool Clubs

If children are staying behind for a SPORTS club they **should come to school in their SCHOOL PE KIT ONLY – black/navy tracksuit bottoms or leggings**. Please do not send children in other clothes.

Monday	Year 3/4 – Sport Club		Y3 -6 – Homework Club
Tuesday	Year 2 - Sport Club	Rec – Nob Nobs Club	Y3 -6 – Homework Club
Wednesday	Year 5/ 6 - Sport Club	Y5 – Drama Club	Y3 -6 – Homework Club
Thursday	Y2 – Hob Nobs Club	Year 1 - Sport Club	Y3 -6 – Homework Club

PE Kits

Mon – Y3

Tues- Y1 & Y2

Wed - Rec & Y4

Thurs - Y5

Fri - Y6

PE kit **must** consist of: **School jumper, School team T- Shirt or Plain White T- shirt, Royal blue school shorts or Black Shorts, Blue/ Black joggers or leggings and Trainers**
Please **DO NOT** send children in other coloured clothes or non-uniform.

Date	Event	Details
10.11.21	School Mission Statement Meeting	3.30 – 5.00 pm Parents are invited to join Staff and Governors to revisit and revise the schools mission statement with our Diocesan Advisor Carol Berry. (Children cannot attend this)
12.11.21	World Kindness Day	The children and staff will be completing RAK's (Random Acts of Kindness).
15.11.21	Odd Socks Day	To start Anti Bullying Week Children to wear odd socks
15-19.11.21	Anti-bullying Week – One kind Word	
15-19.11.21	Nursery Rhyme Week - Nursery	Nursery children will be spending the week focused on Nursery Rhymes.
19.11.21	Children In Need	Children can wear Pudsy clothes, Superheroes costumes or Spotty clothes
1.12.21	Parents Evening – Online	Details of booking will be sent before



APPLY NOW!

at lancashire.gov.uk/schools
School and Academy
places September 2022

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

CLOSING DATE
15 JANUARY 2022

School transport
Need transport to school?
Please don't forget to check your eligibility for free transport.
Search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk





lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Online safety

Each month we will sharing some support and guidance to help you keep your children safe online. .

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one app of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents Need to Know about SQUID GAME

AGE RESTRICTION
15+
Suitable only for 15 years and over.

With themes of horror and violence, it's important for parents and carers to understand the potential risks posed for young audiences by the viral TV show, Squid Game. The nine-episode Netflix-exclusive TV show is rated 15+ and is about a world where contestants who are deeply in debt play children's games in order to win cash prizes. The losers, however, are violently killed. The show's popularity has meant it has spread across online platforms, and there is a great risk of young people being exposed to unsuitable scenes, meaning parents and carers have to be vigilant when allowing children to use devices.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some might argue that Squid Game contains content that might not even be suitable for older teens, let alone young children. Characters are brutally tortured and killed through stabbings or getting shot as a result of rules developed and enforced by a masked game master. The show also features sexual content and threats of sexual violence, as well as a strong theme of gambling that runs throughout the whole show.

APPEAL TO YOUNG PEOPLE

Whilst the content is very much adult-themed, some features of the show seem to appeal to young children at face-value. The name "Squid Game" may be interpreted as a programme aimed at children rather than adults. The content itself, such as the bright and childish aesthetics, may also appeal to young children, particularly as there's a focus on playground games to go with it.

SIMILAR CONTENT SUGGESTIONS

When using social media and streaming sites, content is recommended based on what the user has consumed i.e. what they have watched or searched for. Therefore, there is a greater chance of your child being exposed to similar violent or horror-themed content on social media after watching a show like Squid Game.

VIRAL SPIN-OFFS

As well as Netflix, Squid Game has grown in notoriety and prevalence on other platforms, like TikTok and YouTube, with clips of the show going viral. On YouTube Kids, a number of successful channels have taken advantage of the Squid Game trend, creating content such as "How to Draw Squid Game Characters" videos. Its popularity has also led to the creation of app games that put the player in the role of a contestant who is killed if they lose a game.

SCENE RE-ENACTMENTS

Squid Game's pervasive presence on social media has encouraged many content creators to re-enact scenes from the show, which has led to reports of children wanting to also imitate those scenes displayed on social media at home and in school. Much of this content stems from the "Red Light, Green Light" game from the first episode, where contestants attempt to make it past a giant animatronic girl before she shoots them. episode, where contestants attempt to make it past a giant animatronic girl before she shoots them.

Advice for Parents & Carers

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Netflix has easily accessible built-in parental controls that allow you to set up a profile for your child with a specific age rating, block them from watching certain shows and even lock their account so it can't be accessed by anyone else. Netflix also allows you to access your child's viewing history to make sure they're not watching anything inappropriate for their age.

CHECK AGE RATINGS

Age ratings on TV shows and films are a way to gauge what is suitable for audiences of different ages. If you are unsure about the content your child is watching, check the age rating to see if the TV show or film is deemed suitable for their age group. If not, try watching the show yourself or talking to other parents who have seen it before to get a better understanding of why it's been rated a certain way.

MONITOR ONLINE ACTIVITY

Squid game has become a social media craze and it's possible your child will see some content related to the show on various platforms. Therefore, it's important to be aware of which websites your child has visited on their smartphone, tablet or laptop, and to also keep an eye out for which accounts they are following on social media platforms, such as Instagram and TikTok.

HAVE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Making sure your child is comfortable telling you about what they see online can go a long way to ensuring you are kept in the loop about their online use. Showing an interest in what your child is doing online gives you the opportunity to discuss what is and is not appropriate for their age group, and how they might recognise their own feelings towards content they see.

MONITOR BEHAVIOUR

Due to the viral nature of the show, even if your child has not seen Squid Game, it's important to keep an eye on their behaviour. There have been reports from schools of children "playing Squid Game" in the playground and acting aggressively towards the losers as a way to replicate the consequences of losing in the TV show. Viewing content that makes your child feel uncomfortable could also cause them to feel distressed or distracted, so it's important you can easily spot the signs.

WATCH THE SHOW

If you're trying to figure out whether you should let your child watch Squid Game, it might be a good idea to watch the show yourself first. Doing so will allow you to get a better understanding of the show's content and themes, as well as help you decide if this is something you'd feel comfortable with your child being exposed to.

Meet Our Expert

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National Online Safety

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Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2021/oct/27/english-council-urges-parents-not-to-allow-children-to-watch-squid-game>
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Mission statement meeting Parents Wednesday 10th November 3.30 – 5.00pm

We will be holding a meeting to revisit and review our school current vision and mission statement.

‘Love to learn, together with the Lord’

Staff, parents and governors are invited to attend the session that which will be led by our Diocesan Advisor Carol Berry. Unfortunately children cannot attend this session.

Attendance

Government guidance states that attendance is now compulsory for all children from September. As pre lock down, you are required to let us know if your child is ill/ not attending. Please contact the school using the normal procedures.

If your child becomes unwell (see additional letter ‘Changes to National Self Isolation Guidance’)

If your child presents with any of the symptoms below they must isolate for 10 days and arrange to have a test.

- **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child becomes unwell in school, we will call you to collect them as we normally do. In order to reduce the risk of spreading any illness, your child will wait with a member of staff in the staff room and you must collect them from the school office. The member of staff waiting with the child will wear PPE including a mask, gloves and apron and follow washing procedures.

Children in school can have a COVID19 test. If your child tests negative, they may return to school. If your child tests positive, you must let school know as soon as possible.

Bonfire Night

Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service are hosting a family-oriented digital firework display to educate and entertain the public. Starting at 6:30pm on Friday 5 November, members of the public will be able to watch the display, on [Facebook](#) Live from the comfort of their own home.



FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE

If you must have fireworks at home, please follow this safety advice.

DOs ✓	DON'Ts ✗
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only buy fireworks from retailers registered with MFRS• Keep fireworks in a closed box• Follow the instructions on each firework• Light them at arm's length, using a taper• Stand well back• Always supervise children around fireworks• Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves• Keep pets indoors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks• Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode• Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them• Never give sparklers to a child under five• Don't let fireworks off after 11pm

FORGIVENESS

HOME SCHOOL VALUES

This term we will be focussing in school on the value FORGIVENESS. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

TALK TOGETHER about Forgiveness

Everyone makes mistakes, it's part of being human. Sometimes our mistakes hurt others and then we need to say sorry. Sometimes mistakes made by other people hurt us. When this happens we need to be able to **forgive**. **Forgiveness** can be difficult and costly but without it a new start is impossible.

Talk together about:

- A time when you needed to say sorry
- A time you didn't say sorry but wish you had
- A time when you had to **forgive** someone who had hurt or upset you
- How it feels when you are given a new start because someone has **forgiven** you

THINK TOGETHER Words of Wisdom

"Without **forgiveness** there is no future.... If you can **forgive**, then you can move on and even help the person you are forgiving to become a better person"

Desmond Tutu



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Maze

Design your own version of the maze tree in the story of Zacchaeus.

You can either draw it on paper or use other materials to create it. It's up to you! Take it to school to display in the Challenge Gallery.



READ TOGETHER...

Zacchaeus the Tax Collector

Zacchaeus was a little man. He was a tax collector and had become rich by making others pay lots of money in taxes to the Romans and to him. He didn't have many friends.

When Zacchaeus heard Jesus was in town, he wanted to see him. But Zacchaeus was short and Jesus was always surrounded by a crowd. So Zacchaeus decided to run ahead of the crowd and climb a sycamore tree. From there he could watch for Jesus. As Jesus drew closer, he held his breath excitedly until Jesus stopped right beneath his tree. Jesus looked straight up at him! "Zacchaeus," said Jesus with a smile, "come on down. I want to stay at your house today!"

Zacchaeus hopped down. "You are welcome at my house, Jesus," he said with a huge grin.

But others grumbled, muttering to each other. "Why does Jesus want to go home with the rich, cheating tax collector? He isn't good enough for Jesus to come and stay at his house."

Zacchaeus heard what the people were saying about him and he wanted to put things right. He turned to Jesus and said, "Master, here and now, I promise to give half of my money to the poor. If I have cheated anyone in taxes, I will pay them back four times that amount."

Zacchaeus wanted to turn over a new leaf because Jesus believed that everyone deserved a new start and now Zacchaeus belived it too!

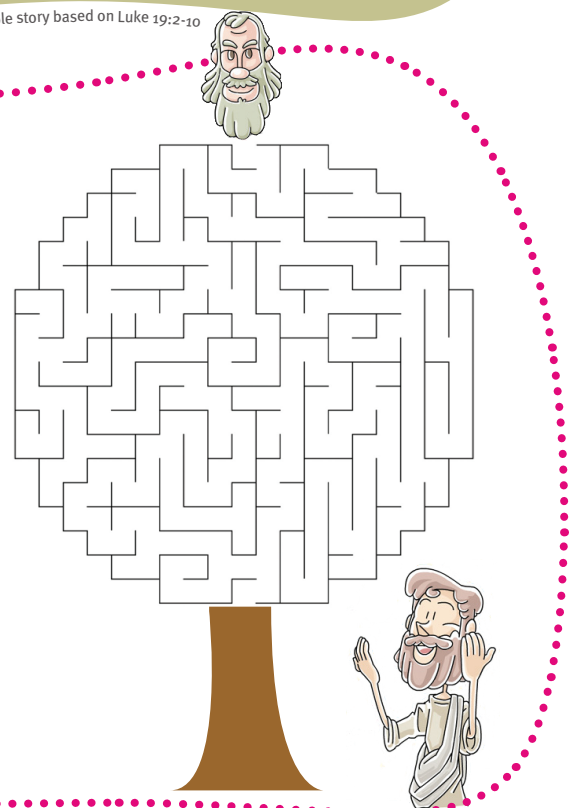
Bible story based on Luke 19:2-10



QUIZ

Tree Maze

Help Zacchaeus find his way down from the top of the tree, to meet Jesus.





HALL OF FAME

Desmond Tutu

Desmond Tutu was Archbishop of Capetown from 1986 to 1996. Throughout his life Desmond Tutu worked tirelessly against apartheid in South Africa. Apartheid was a system that treated people differently because of the colour of their skin. People who were non-white were not given the same rights in the country as white citizens. For example they had to live where the government told them to, they were not allowed to vote, had to use separate transport, go to different beaches and use separate sports facilities.

There was much violence and oppression in South Africa during the years of apartheid, and when it finally ended in 1992 some people were left feeling bitter and angry and wanting revenge. In order to give everyone a chance to talk about the things that had happened to them Desmond Tutu set up the 'Truth and Reconciliation Commission'. Many people who had behaved badly could hear from those they had hurt. There was the chance to say sorry and sometimes receive **forgiveness**. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission helped to provide an opportunity for a new beginning for South Africa, a chance to build what Desmond Tutu called a 'Rainbow Nation' in which everyone had the same chance in life no matter what the colour of their skin.



FASCINATING FACTS

Crosses across the world

The cross is a very special symbol for Christians it reminds them of Jesus' death on the cross which brought **forgiveness** for the world.

Different shapes and designs of crosses reflect different traditions and communities across the world.

Maria Gomez was a Christian Primary School teacher in El Salvador. She angered the authorities in her country because she campaigned for the rights of poor people. Eventually she was murdered. Later a local artist was commissioned to paint a wooden cross with scenes showing her life and her work among the poor women in the rural villages of El Salvador.



The Celtic cross originates from Ireland. St Patrick described the circle on the cross as symbolising the endless love shown by Jesus. The cross is decorated with natural shapes and animals to remind us of God's creation.

The Black and White cross comes from South Africa and was designed during the time of apartheid. The Bible teaches that people are equal in God's eyes, no matter what their background or the colour of their skin.



The Jewish New Year Tradition

New Year for Jews normally falls during September. On the first afternoon of the new year, the festival of Rosh Hashanah is celebrated. Families visit a nearby stream, river or even the sea for the ritual of Tashlich (in Hebrew, the language in which the Jews' holy book the Torah was written, Tashlich means throw away).

After a celebration meal Jewish families gather left over breadcrumbs. These crumbs represent the words or deeds that each family member feels sorry about. When the crumbs have been thrown into the water, fish eat them or they are washed away. This symbolises the way that God **forgives** the bad things that people have done and washes them away so that there can be a fresh start for the New Year. During the ceremony the following words from the Torah are read aloud, "You (God) will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our transgressions into the depths of the sea." Micah 7: 19