

# THE ST CHARLES' NEWSLETTER

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022

*"Bring Forth Christ"*

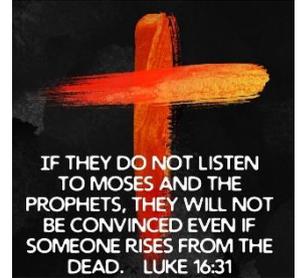


**Determination Friendship Good Manners Respect Responsibility**

**\*\*\* SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3:30PM ON FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER FOR HALF-TERM \*\*\***

## I WONDER HOW I CAN MAKE THE MOST OF THE RICHES IN MY LIFE?

Our focus this week has been on the story of the Rich Man and Lazarus and how the Rich Man, when he was alive, didn't treat people nicely and didn't help Lazarus. The Rich Man got his comeuppance when he died by being sent to Hades. We have explored lots of learning opportunities through this story, especially around what the Rich Man should have done differently and why God didn't send a messenger as requested. This links very nicely to the work we are doing around St. Charles and our school mission to 'Bring Forth Christ.' Next week, our focus is on how big our faith is and how it can grow.



## HARVEST

At this time of year we celebrate the festival of Harvest. This is a time when we give thanks for the food God provides us to eat. We are going to have a collection this week for our Foodbank which helps people in our local area, including members of our school community. Last week, they delivered food parcels to 13 individuals/families, totalling 32 bags plus extras. Please send any donations in with your child or leave them in the school office. Items they are always in need of include: long-life milk, tea, coffee and butter/margarine.

## LANCASHIRE ADULT LEARNING

Members of the Lancashire Adult Learning team will be in school on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 9:00am - 11:00am to speak to parents about the range of courses they have on offer to help parents support their children at home and to help parents develop too.

They are keen to run sessions at St. Charles' to help our parents but need to know what to run. Please pop in to this session to speak to the team about what you think would be helpful. Could you let us know you are interested in attending by completing the form below with a simple Yes/No and your name. We can then make sure we've enough tea/coffee and biscuits available. Thank you - <https://forms.office.com/r/d0D199PqMa>

## PARENT GOVERNOR NOMINATION FORMS

These have been sent home today. If you would like to nominate yourself, please make sure you return the completed form by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October. If there is more than one nomination, an election will take place after the half-term break ahead of our Full Governing Body meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

## PHONICS TALK

A letter was circulated yesterday inviting parents to a talk to introduce our new Phonics scheme, Essential Letters and Sounds. The talk on Monday 3 October will allow you the opportunity to understand how it works in school and how you can support your child at home. I want to clarify the start time for this session as there was an error on the letter sent home. **THE PHONICS TALK STARTS AT 6:00PM IN SCHOOL.** I hope you can join us for this.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUB (ASC)

We are seeing an increase in the number of children attending ASC who haven't been booked in. This has a massive impact on the staffing and organisation of the club. When we contact parents, they are under the impression they have booked their child in. **IF YOU HAVE A NEGATIVE BALANCE, YOU CANNOT BOOK YOUR CHILD INTO ASC ON PARENTPAY UNTIL YOUR DEBT IS CLEARED.** Parents can select the option to book a place but this is only a provisional booking. It is cancelled within 2 hours if payment isn't received. Children who attend ASC who aren't booked in, carry an additional admin charge of 50p per session to cover the cost of our office staff having to manually input children's attendance on ParentPay, send messages and make telephone calls to parents. This system is in place to minimise debts to school. Facilities and services we offer can't function with debts from parents and so we need your support to keep these to a minimum. If you have a debt to school you are struggling to clear, please speak to the school office who will assist in creating a payment plan to support you and your family.

### **STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS**

<b>RECEPTION</b>	Ellie	<b>YEAR 4</b>	Oliver
<b>YEAR 1</b>	Arla	<b>YEAR 5</b>	Juliet
<b>YEAR 2</b>	Leo	<b>YEAR 6</b>	Ava
<b>YEAR 3</b>	Jaxon		

### **PARENTS' EVENING**

A form has been circulated for you to book an appointment to meet your child's class teacher. The form closes at 5pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

As always, we understand that your child may require a space at our ASC at the last minute. Where this happens, please make sure you ring and speak to a member of our school office staff before 3pm (if possible) to notify them of your child needing a space at After School Club. Please don't leave a voicemail or send a dojo. Thank you for your understanding.

## **DIARY DATES**

### **October**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Phonics talk for Reception/KS1 parents at 6pm in school

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – SARCHS talk for Y6 parents at 6:30pm in school

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>** – Parents' Evening from 4:00pm – 7:00pm in school

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 14<sup>th</sup>** – Tots on Tyres (Reception Class)

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup>** – School closes at 3:30pm for half-term

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup>** – School opens at 8:55am

### **November**

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> – ALL SAINTS** - We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)** - Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> – FEAST OF ST. CHARLES BORROMEO**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Children in Need – Non-uniform Day**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – PTFA Christmas Market**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> – ADVENT BEGINS** - Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing. It is only in the last week of Advent that we focus upon the events to be celebrated at Christmas.

### **December**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** – This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus. She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and co-operated with God throughout her life.