



ST LEONARD'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parent,

Thank you for all your support which has made the return to school so successful. We realise there are a lot of regulations, particularly for those of you collecting from various entrances, but we are trying to do all we can to reduce the risk of an outbreak which will require a school closure.

We appreciate the way you have used the specific gates and times when dropping off and collecting your children. We realise that some of you are having to wait around between collection times and so, now everyone is familiar with the routines, we are trying to open gates for the 9am/3.45pm classes as soon as the earlier class has arrived/left. Therefore if you are on the earlier arrival/collection times of 8.45am/3.30pm please can you be as punctual as possible so that the next 'bubble' can access the gate. We hope that this will mean that the later group can start to arrive/leave at 8.55am/3.40pm. Please ensure that your child has arrived by 9.05am so staff can start teaching as early as possible. Also at the end of the day, please ensure your child is collected by 3.50pm so staff have time to clean and prepare resources ready for the next day.

Please ensure you continue to observe social distancing when dropping off or collecting your child. Please do not use the school car parks as children and parents are walking in these areas.

All children have settled into their new classes and have been completing lots of activities which are helping staff to get to know them well and support their emotional as well as their academic development.

This week our worship has focussed on 'Hope' we have thought about how a tiny mustard seed can grow in to a large tree and compared this to our hopes which may not seem attainable now can be achieved through faith and dedication. As a school, one of our hopes for this year is that we will form strong positive relationships within our school community and this will enable us to stay connected and support each other through the times ahead. We also hope our children will continue to develop their skills and knowledge and develop wisdom to use these for the good of their community: locally, nationally and globally.



Crosses of Hope were made by refugees living on the border of El Salvador and Honduras. The crosses are an expression of the faith and hope of the people in the midst of their suffering. The images of life depicted on the cross are things that give the people meaning and hope in their everyday lives—sun, land, village, family, home, animals, etc. The cross is their sign of liberation and hope. It is also a sign of their belief that the future will be better. During this weekend please discuss with your child the people and things that give them hope and also their hopes for this year. They can record these on a cross like the one made in El Salvador.

Back to School Sunday invitation from Canon Mark Jones Due to restrictions on numbers St Leonard's Church can't invite children, parents and staff to the special service this Sunday morning. But St Leonard's School is much in our prayers at Church and everyone is warmly invited to watch the livestream from Church at 9.30am on the Padiham Parish Youtube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq2L5P45rDU_djH5RQxITZQ Or the service can be found through the Church Facebook page. This short all-age service can even be watched in your pyjamas! A recording will remain available throughout the following week.

Still other seed fell on the good soil, where it produced a crop – a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.' Matthew 13:8