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Dear Parents Headteacher: Mr C J Riding M.A. B.A.



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BBC Radio 4's 'Any Questions?'

Thank you to everyone who has supported this event and a special thank you to Mr McMullen for organising it.

714 Bus

Please find attached a letter from Lancashire County Council regarding the temporary retiming of the 714 service to All Hallows. The revised timetable will commence from Monday 2 October 2017.

Year 7 CAT Tests

Year 7 will be sitting Cognitive Ability Tests over the next week or so. Most schools use these 'CAT' Tests to test general intelligence. They are designed to assess a pupil's ability in three different areas: verbal (thinking with words); quantitative (thinking with numbers); and non-verbal (thinking with shapes and space). CATs are used to give a snapshot of a child's potential, what they could achieve and how they learn best. The results can help teachers to set the right learning pace for each child, monitor their progress and identify areas where they might need extra support.

The tests are designed to be taken without any revision or preparation so they can assess a child's potential in his or her ability to reason. CATs are not testing children's knowledge and understanding as a Maths or English exam might, so they can't 'learn' how to answer the questions. Pupils will take the tests on the following days:

Tuesday 3 October: 7P1, 7P2, 7P3

Thursday 5 October: 7PG

Friday 6 October: 7G1, 7G2, 7G3

Open Evening

A reminder that on Thursday 5 October 2017 we have our annual Open Evening from 6.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Our pupils finish at 12.35 p.m. on that day and the school buses have been booked. Any pupils returning for Open Evening should do so in full school uniform. Could girls who are attending school to help on Open Evening please wear black tights.

PTFA

At the PTFA AGM, a new Committee was formed comprising: Mrs Karen Trafford Chair, Mrs Helen McCann Vice Chair, Mrs Karen Corbishley Treasurer, Mrs Helen Thompson Secretary. Thank you very much to the officers for putting themselves forward to lead the PTFA this year and we look forward to working with them. If you are interested in coming along to join in the work of the PTFA, the next meeting takes place on Tuesday 10 October 2017 in the Headteacher's Office at 6.30 p.m.

PTFA - Launch of 2017/2018 200 Club

It's back! The newly appointed PTFA Committee are to run the 200 Club again during 2017/2018. There will be 10 draws during the year and the draw prizes will be 1st £40, 2nd £20 and 3rd £10. The first draw will be in November 2017, with two draws in December 2017 and then further draws will be monthly from January 2018 to July 2018. Renewal letters for previous members will be sent out next week and must be returned to the General Office by

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2 October 2017 if you wish to keep your previous number. Good luck and thank you for your support.

Cyclists

We were contacted recently by someone who is concerned about pupils cycling home alongside each other, pulling out in front of cars, none of the cyclists concerned had helmets on. We regularly remind pupils how dangerous cycling can be, whilst fully appreciating the benefits of cycling to school, pupils' safety is of the utmost importance. I would urge all parents to encourage their children to cycle responsibly and to wear helmets for their personal protection on their way to and from school.

School Meals

Menus for the week commencing Monday 2 October 2017. Salads £1.75 – £2.50, Potatoes 65p, Baked Beans 65p.

Monday: Beef Bolognaise Sauce served with Pasta & Crusty Bread £1.95. Vegetarian

(Quorn) Bolognaise served with Crusty Bread £1.95. Oven Baked Breaded Chicken Fillet in a Bap served with Salad £1.70. **Salad:** Sardines £1.75.

Tuesday: Traditional Lancashire Hot Pot (Lamb) £1.95. Cheese & Leek Pasta Bake

£1.70. Chilli Beef & Rice Burrito served with Salad £1.70. Salad: Tuna

Nicoise £1.75.

Wednesday: Oven Baked Prime Pork Sausages, Gravy, Chips & Vegetables £1.95. Roast

Chicken Portion served with Chips & Vegetables £1.95. Cheese Pasty with Vegetables £1.55. **CHIPS 73p (May only be purchased with another**

product). Salad: Chicken £1.75.

Thursday: HALF DAY - BREAKFAST ONLY

Friday: CAFOD - HARVEST FAST DAY

Breakfast: Plain Toast 28p. Plain Sandwiches £1.40. Chicken or Vegetable Curry served with Rice £1.95. Jacket Potatoes served with various fillings

£1.70. Plain Biscuits 40p.

Each day a selection of freshly prepared Sandwiches, Wraps, Hot & Cold Paninis, Salads, Jacket Potatoes, Pasta Pots & Pizza will be available. For any special requests, please see a member of our highly trained Catering Team.

(All items are subject to availability)

FOOD ALLERGIES AND INTOLERANCES

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS, PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF OUR CATERING TEAM. ALSO, PLEASE BE AWARE ALL OUR FOOD PRODUCTS MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF NUTS.

Yours sincerely

Mr C J Riding Headteacher

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OPEN EVENING

Thursday 5 October 2017

6.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

The June 2013 OFSTED Inspection reported "This is an outstanding school" and awarded Grade 1 in every category

Meet the Staff and Pupils View the teaching facilities Experience the learning environment Ask questions

See for yourself the excellent standards which consistently produce a first class Catholic education.

The evening will be of particular interest to parents of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils.

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