

Dolphinholme Dispatch

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May we take this opportunity to wish all our families a very happy New Year. We hope you had a lovely holiday despite it being very different for many of us this year. The staff and I would like to thank everyone for the lovely Christmas gifts that were sent into school at the end of term. It was very kind of you and they were much appreciated.

Covid update:

Following my emails over the weekend, school remains in the same position. We are open. We will follow the DFE guidance and let you know as soon as anything changes.

Please let me reassure you that the relevant risk assessments are in place and have been communicated to all governors and staff. All of the measures that were in place before the holidays will remain in place for the foreseeable future.

I realise that this is another worrying time for everyone and we need to look after each other. If you have any concerns that you would like to discuss, please get in touch.

Primary School Admissions September 2021

The deadline to apply for a school place for children due to start school in September is 15th January.

If you have not yet applied or know someone who hasn't, please do so before this date.

Our Admissions Policy and supplementary forms are on the school website.

Christmas Raffle Draw

Thank you again for your support with the Church/PTA fundraiser. The total raised was an amazing £1708 which has been split between St Mark's and Dolphinholme PTA.

<https://morecambabay.foodbank.org.uk>

Our next Foodbank collection will be on January 29th. Please bring in your donations on that day and we will make sure they are delivered to Morecambe Bay Foodbank.



Week beginning 11/1/21 ~ Menu Week 2.

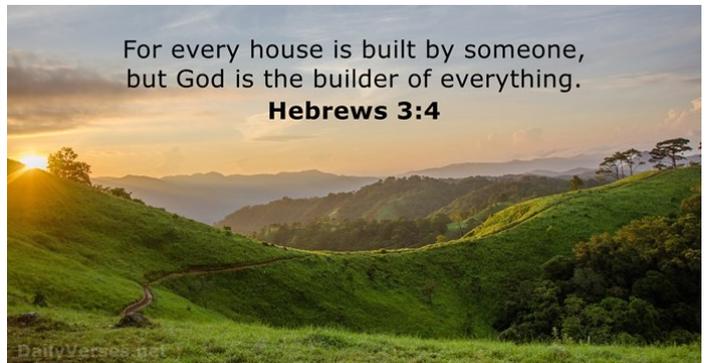
Please make sure you have selected your child's meals online at least a week in advance.

This half term our Christian Value is Creativity.

We will be celebrating the wonder of God's Creation and exploring ways in which we can take care of it. We will encourage children to think and act creatively. We are all creative in different ways and we will explore and celebrate our gifts and abilities.

For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything.

Hebrews 3:4



Scopay and lunches

Please can we remind parents to book lunches at least week in advance? This saves a lot of worried children in the mornings when they don't know what they are having for lunch. It also saves time in the office, as you can imagine.

As I said in my email over the weekend, for the time being, we will continue to serve packed lunches as we do not have the time or manpower that is required to follow the Health and Safety guidance from the school catering team in relation to the pandemic. We realise this is not ideal and we will review the situation again in the next few weeks. We are aware that the children miss the hot meals—so do the staff!

Holiday Dates: The holiday list for 2021-22 is now on the school website. It is also attached to the Dispatch email.

Rec/Y1 PE days will now be on Wednesday and Thursday. Please send the children in PE kits on those days.

Thanks

Diary Dates:

12.02.21 Break up for half term

22.02.21 School reopens

07.03.21 Tractor Run (to be confirmed)

26.03.21 Break up for Easter

12.04.21 Return to school