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# Value...Dream...Achieve...

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## What do I do if my child is poorly??

Just a reminder, that if your child is poorly, or needs to attend a medical appointment, you need to contact school on each day of their absence...before 9.15am if possible. The latest 'news' from the Government is that medical appointments should be made outside of school hours if they are not an emergency (whenever possible).

Simply dial the school phone number (as above) and press 'option 1' to leave a message.

For the school records we need to log the reasons for absence as accurately as possible. Rather than 'poorly' or 'ill' we therefore ask you to be more specific, i.e. flu symptoms, headache, high temperature etc. We can then update the attendance registers quickly and accurately and this will save our office staff making the necessary phone calls to find out why a child is not attending school.

You can, if you prefer, e-mail a message to us using the usual address as above (please 'copy' me using head@...) Just in case Mrs Feeney or Mrs Sudworth are not in the office.

Don't forget that statistics have proven that a good attendance at school (preferably above 95%) has a positive impact on progress and achievement. Can we beat the number for last year's 100% attenders, which for the whole year in 2015-2016 was 11.5% for the school (19 children in total).

### This week is Bug Busting Week

Don't forget to Bug Bust!! You should have received a letter last Friday...if not there are some spare ones outside the school office, or you can download one from the Newsletter section of the school's website.

### No Crossing Patrol After School on Friday

Just to let you know that on Friday afternoon (20<sup>th</sup> January), Mr Knott, our Crossing Patrol Officer (Lollipop Man) is on a course and will therefore not be on his Lollipop duties after school. Please be extra careful when crossing the road on that day!!

#### **Celebration Worship**

Last Friday was our first Celebration Worship of 2017 where we had children 'on the bench'. Well done to all the children who made it to my bench who were:

Reception	Emily
Year 1	Iris
Year 2	Ava
Year 3	Max
Year 4	Daniel and Amelia
Year 5	Callum
Year 6	Niamh

Our Worship Theme for this Week is... Dreaming of a Better World

<u>Team Point Winners</u> Last week's winners - Douglas

### Attendance Figures

Last week 155 children (that's 90% of the school) managed to achieve 100% attendance for the whole week – they didn't miss one day of school!! The 'best attending classes' for the week were Years 2, 3 and 4!! During the same week only two children were late for at least one session of school.















#### Poppy Appeal 2016

We have just found out that in November, we raised an amazing £395.05 for this very worthy cause. (Last year we raised £339.28.)Thank you to everyone who bought and donated to the appeal which will go towards helping today's Service men and women, veterans and their families, whether coping with bereavement, living with disability or finding employment. Without your help none of this would be possible. Thank you!! See below to see the certificate that we received...

#### School Dinners

The week beginning the 23rd January is 'Week 1' of the Lancashire Lunch Winter Menu. Changes to week 1's menu: Janet is changing the Meatball Sauce from Tomato (with Pasta) to Gravy with Mashed Potatoes. She is also changing Tuesday's Macaroni Cheese to a Cheese Whirl and the Chicken Curry on a Wednesday will be a Korma and not a Tikka Masala.

Don't forget, as usual, in addition to the advertised meals - the children can choose from 3 sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) or can request a jacket potato - just get them to ask when they are having the dinner register 'taken'.

#### Mr Skinner's Football Practice

For Years 5 and 6 this starts this Friday (20<sup>th</sup>) after school. For now the practice finishes at 4.15pm, although it will go on until later once the dark winter nights start to draw out.

For Years 3 and 4 - look out for a letter coming to you this week for Lower Junior Practices on a Tuesday night starting next week.

Thanks for reading ... yours sincerely,

Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

On the 15<sup>th</sup> January it was Martin Luther King's Birthday...and Mrs Dimmock based yesterday's Worship around his life and work (Click on <u>http://tarletonholytrinity.org/category/headteachers-blog/</u> to see some photos) The 17<sup>th</sup> January is the Birthday of some other very famous people: Michelle Obama Muhammad Ali Jim Carey James Earl Jones (the voice of Darth Vader) Al Capone and Ricky Wilson (Keiser Chiefs' lead singer)



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