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## Half Term Holiday

An early reminder that this Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> February, we close for our half term break at 3.25/3.30pm. School will then re-open at 8.55am on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February...with the doors opening at the usual time of 8.45am. There will be all the usual Breakfast Clubs and After School Clubs on these days.

## Breakfast and After School Club Playworkers

We are still looking to recruit a Playworker(s) for our Breakfast Club (BC) and After School Club (ASC). Initially this would be approximately 2 times a week in the Breakfast club, 7:45 - 8:45am and 2 times a week in the Afterschool Club, 3:30 - 6.00pm. Pay is £11.79 per hour (Grade 3 Point 3).

[https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt\\_vacancyDetails.asp?id=62678](https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=62678)

## Welfare Assistant

We have a Welfare Assistant position available for 3 days a week - working one to one with a child in our Year 1 Class. We ask you to work from 12 noon until 1.10pm on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday - paid at the 'Living Wage'. Please get in touch if you are interested...

## Celebration Worship

We had a busy Celebration Worship last Friday - with 15 children 'on the bench'. Chloe in Year 4 is only the second child to be chosen by her class teacher and by me in the same week - what an achievement Chloe!! The children who made it to the bench were...

Reception	Ned
Year 1	Arty and Bella
Year 2	Riley and Ryan
Year 3	Penelope and Paddy
Year 4	Chloe and Toby
Year 5	Max, Alfie and Oliver
Year 6	Ophelia and Rachael
Headteacher Award	Chloe in Year 4

## Year 5 Class Worship

Every year we make sure that all the Children in the school get to perform in front of an audience. This is done through the Infant Production, the Year 6 Talent Show and the Key Stage 2 Class Worship. This Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> February, we are inviting Year 5 to 'perform' the first Class Worship of 2024. The worship starts at 2.55pm (doors opening at 2.45pm) and all Year 5 family members are invited to come and watch. Just take a seat at the back!!

Please can children not bring certificates from home on this day.

## Last Week's Attendance

Last week - 165 pupils (out of 201 children) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

15 children (from 9 different families) were late for school at least one session of school (after 9.00am). The best attending classes for the second week running was Mrs Warburton's Reception class - with the attendance figure of 98.4%.



### Choir Church

This Friday, is a 'normal' Choir Church After School Club practice finishing at the usual time of 4.30pm.

### Miss Jagger

I am pleased to announce that Miss Jagger will be teaching Year 3 after the half term break. She will undergo a short 'phased return' - but may be away from school on a Friday for a little while longer in order to attend appointments with her daughter.

During the phased return, Mrs Lancaster will be teaching Year 3 if it is not Miss Jagger.

A big thank you to Mr Spencer who has been teaching Year 3 for the last 3 weeks during Miss Jagger's absence.

### Wednesdays During Lent

Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, falls during the Half Term Break. However, to mark Ash Wednesday we will be holding a late Ash Wednesday service in Church on the 21<sup>st</sup> February - starting at 9.05am. Each Wednesday morning after that, the Wednesday morning worship will be celebrated in church rather than in school, led by Father Mark and/or Danny.

Parents / Grandparents / Family Members are more than welcome to join us for the services. We hope to see you there!! Each service starts at 9.05 (ish) and should be finished by approximately 9.30am

### House point Update:

Last week our green Asland team won the most team points - although Yarrow leads the House point competition for the term.

### Lunches

#### Week 2 of the New Winter menu - Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> February

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Tomato Ketchup with Potatoes Wedges and Mixed Vegetables	British Beef or Veggie Burger in a Bun with Potatoes Wedges and Mixed Vegetables	Roast Pork with Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Minced Beef or Quorn Hot Pot with a Sliced Potato Crust and Mixed Vegetables	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Chips and Peas
or	or	or	or	or
Mac 'n' Cheese Bake with Crust Bread and Garden Peas	Homemade Pizza with Rainbow Vegetable Pasta Salad	Pasta Arrabbiata with Tomato and Herb Sauce with Crusty Bread and Salad	Tomato Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread and Salad	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Chips and Sweetcorn

### Outdoor PE Kits

Our Reception Class, and Years 3, 4 and 6 will have outdoor PE on the Thursdays of his half term with the West Lancashire Sports Partnership. They will be covering the Outdoor and Adventure part of the PE curriculum. Year 4 and 6 are also completing a 'Health and Fitness' Unit which means they are outside on a Friday morning.

Please make sure that your child bring suitable outdoor PE Kit on each of these days (long pants / leggings and a sweatshirt / hoodie) in addition to their usual PE kit. Trainers can also be worn if preferred - but make sure that the children can lace up their trainers - otherwise Velcro ones please!! A change of socks is also a good idea!!

### Reading Week at THT - week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March

#### A message from Mrs Birkby:

*Dear parents and caregivers,*

*World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7 March and at THT due to PE commitments we dress up on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**, we hope you'll join us to celebrate. We are celebrating World Book Day this year in the setting because we support the charity's mission to change lives through a love of books and reading.*

*Dressing up or bringing books into the setting is a big part of World Book Day celebrations, and is something that children and families particularly enjoy. Dressing up is an effective way to encourage children (particularly reluctant readers) to engage with reading. It can help children to express their personal reading choices and share reading recommendations. Children being dressed up also changes the learning environment to one which is more playful. We are inviting children to dress up on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** as it's an exciting way for children to get book recommendations from each other.*

*The book choice is key – even if it's just a prop or a clue, make sure your child is recommending something to read with their costume.*

*We are aware that the cost of living crisis might make this difficult for some families, so we have organised the following events to make sure that our World Book Day is fun and inclusive for all.*

- 1. We encourage you to use things you already have at home to make a creative costume*
- 2. We will also be hosting a costume swap on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 3.30 in Y2 classroom***

*We'd love to include you in our celebrations by:*

- 1. Coming into the setting to read to small groups of children on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30***
- 2. Sending your child's chosen book in with them during the week so we can read it to them and their friends*

*Access to books*

*1. Getting a free £1/€1.50 book for your child is easy – simply take your £1 book token to your nearest bookseller and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book OR use it to get £1 off any ANY book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can find your nearest bookseller at [worldbookday.com/participating-retailers](http://worldbookday.com/participating-retailers)*

- 2. Check out the World Book Day Family Hub for more things to do at home.*

*We're very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, which could not happen without the support of parents and carers – thank you.*

*Scroll down for a poster on 'Dress Up' ideas...but the hyperlink doesn't work – so [click here instead!!](#)*

*Look out for the World Book Day Book Tokens which are coming out to you this week. These can be used to buy a specially published £1 book sold at: Asda, Sainsbury's, Tesco, Morrisons, Waterstones, W H Smith and The Works.*

*Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,*



*Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)*

### **Did you know...**

*This Week's Worship has been looking at our School Vision...  
As it stands, our Vision Statement is:*

*Value... Dream... Achieve...*

*As a loving Christian family, our aspiration is for all pupils to flourish, safe in the belief that we, "...can do all things through Christ, who strengthens us" Phil 4:13.*

*Everyone is valued, we all achieve and our dreams for the future begin.*

However, after discussions with the children, they would like the statement to include all school members rather than 'all pupils' and they would like the Bible Quote to read 'Philippians' - rather than being abbreviated to 'Phil'.

We will look at this after the Half Term Break!!

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

# Dressing Up Ideas for Parents



Some schools invite children to come to school in a costume for World Book Day because it's a fun way to encourage children (particularly reluctant readers) to engage with reading, to swap reading recommendations and to celebrate what they are reading at home.

There are lots of alternatives to dressing up. We suggest some [HERE](#)



## Top tips for putting together a costume

- Choose a book your child is happy to talk about.
- Start with things you might already have – tracksuits, t-shirts (inside out to make them plain) and pyjamas make a good base for a costume.
- Focus on the parts of the character that make them stand out - use facepaint or simple props to show these.

## What if I/my child....

...doesn't have a book to share?

Try a costume that invites recommendations – a t-shirt with post-it notes or one you don't mind being written on.

... doesn't like dressing up?

Keep it simple with a character who wears everyday clothes, by focussing on a prop, or by using a badge instead.

... likes non-fiction?

Focus on what they like – could they share a fact, or the subject matter, or do they want to focus on the author?

...aren't any good at crafting?

Stick to everyday clothes and add small details to focus on key elements of the character – hats, ears, sticking things on t-shirts etc.



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your child  
to read for  
pleasure...



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## PTA or Class Rep Member?

Can you support your school by:

- Organising a costume swap or costume making workshop.
- Putting together class dressing up rails.
- Hosting a school dressing up rail or costume swap.

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