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

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Wednesdays During Lent

Each Wednesday morning during Lent, 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. We hope to see you there!!

Choir Church

This Friday, (1st March) is another of our Eucharist Services, held in school for family members of our Choir Church. It starts at 3.45pm and finishes at approximately 4.30pm. We hope you can join us!!

Forest School Days for our Reception Class

Just a reminder that the Forest School Days for Reception Class are on Wednesdays during this Half Term. Please see the Dojo posts that Mrs Warburton has already sent out for more details... (8th February and 19th February).

Reading Week Next Week

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7 March and at THT due to PE commitments we dress up on **Friday 8th March**, we hope you'll join us to celebrate.

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...

1. We encourage you to use things you already have at home to make a creative costume
2. Costume Swap - If your child brings an old costume to school and gives it to Mrs Birkby - they will be given a 'ticket'. Then on Friday they can go and swap the ticket for a different costume of their choice at lunchtime and any spare costumes will be available to take away after school. Please do not then put your child's costume 'up the loft' as next week, we will be asking for any donations in readiness for next year!!

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

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

You should have received your book token a little while ago... 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.

Scroll down for a poster on 'Dress Up' ideas...

We have also 'booked' the Scholastic Book Fair to be in school. It arrives and will be open after school on Wednesday 6th March until the last day on Tuesday 12th March.



Celebration Worship

We held the first Celebration Worship of the Half Term last Friday. The children making it to the Bench were:

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| Reception | Ivan and Libby |
| Year 1 | Scarlett |
| Year 2 | Matilda H |
| Year 3 | Frank and Charlotte |
| Year 4 | All Year 4 |
| Year 5 | Lexie |
| Year 6 | Rebecca |
| Headteacher Award | Archie in Reception |

Breakfast Club and After school Club Playworker

We are still looking to recruit a Playworker(s) for our Breakfast Club (BC) and After School Club (ASC). Initially this would be 1 time a week in the Breakfast club, 7:45 - 8:45am and 2 times a week in the Afterschool Club, 3:30 - 6.00pm, and occasionally extra sessions to cover staff absence. We are happy to be flexible with days worked. Pay is £11.79 per hour (Grade 3 Point 3).

https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=62678

School Shoes

Please can I remind parents / carers that we ask children to wear shoes to school and not black trainers or ankle boots. Our policy (page 17 of the School Prospectus) states:

'We ask for all children to wear sensible black shoes.' and

'Additionally, for very clear Health and Safety reasons, pupils are not allowed to wear shoes with a heel height greater than 40mm. Students who attend school with unacceptable shoes will be required to change into safer footwear and replace the shoes as soon as possible. Trainers are not allowed in school except for outdoor PE.'

Muddy Woody - Cross Country Competition

Our Local Cluster of Schools is due to hold it's annual Cross Country Competition (called Muddy Woody) next Tuesday (5th March) from 4.00 until 5.30pm. This will be dependent on what the weather does between now and then as Tarleton Academy's Grounds are already saturated with water. The organisers of the event have asked me to let you know that parents / carers cannot stop and watch due to car parking issues.

Year 4 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.

Friday, 8th March, we are inviting Year 4 to 'perform' the first Class Worship of 2024. The worship starts at 2.55pm (doors opening at 2.45pm) and all Year 4 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 - 169 pupils (out of 201 children) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

11 children (from 7 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 99.6%.

This Week's Worship Theme

Lent and Respect

Outdoor PE Kits

Year 4 are still 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!! Year 6 can wear their kit for the whole day as they also have PE in the afternoon.

Lunches

Week 1 of the Winter menu - Week beginning 4th March

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Booths Pork or Vegetable Sausage with Creamed Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables | Chicken Curry with Mixed Rice and Naan Bread | Roast Chicken with Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Vegetables | Lancashire Cheese and Potato Pie with Broccoli or Baked Beans | Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Chips and Peas |
| or | or | or | or | or |
| Tomato and Mascarpone Pasta with Crusty Bread and Salad | Pizza Panini with Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn | Mac 'n' Cheese Bake with Crust Bread and Garden Peas | Pasta Neapolitan with Tomato and Herb Sauce with Crusty Bread and Salad | Homemade Pizza Margherita with Chips and Sweetcorn |

Eat Them to Defeat Them

Just a reminder that we are supporting Lancashire Catering who are, once again, taking part in the 'Eat Them to Defeat Them' campaign. This is an initiative to get the children to eat more vegetable - working towards that 'Five a Day' target.

It is advertised on TV and the children will be bringing an envelope home with games etc. to play. For more details and for some videos to watch etc. log onto <https://eatthetodefeatthem.com/>

Team Point Update

Yarrow (our Yellow Team) gained the most points for last week...and well done to Asland (our Green Team) who are the overall leaders for this term!!

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

This week there will be a 29th February - which means it is a Leap Year!!

Every year that is exactly divisible by four is a leap year, except for years that are exactly divisible by 100, but these centurial years are leap years if they are exactly divisible by 400. For example, the years 1700, 1800, and 1900 are not leap years, but the years 1600 and 2000 are.

The last time the calendar read February 29 was in 2020.

After 2024, the next time February will have 29 days will be in 2028 and then again in 2032.





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.



Support your child to read for pleasure...

Take books home to read

Listen to books being read aloud

Choose the books YOU want to read

Ask for ideas on what to read next

Have fun reading!

Make time to read

Find your reading superpower

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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