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

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Bring a bottle for Non Uniform Day

This Friday (29th November), we are holding a Non-Uniform day. In return for the children not wearing their uniforms, we are asking them to bring in bottles. Any type of bottle is welcome; wine, beer, spirits, soft drinks, squash, ketchup, bubble bath, shampoo.... It just has to be full, sealed and in a bottle! All bottles then be donated to a special Tombola Stall which will be part of this weekend's Christmas Market (on 1st December). Thank you in anticipation.

Letters to Father Christmas

About two weeks ago, you received letters about your child writing to Father Christmas. As Father Christmas can get a little confused at this time of year, seeing as he has so much to do, please could parents / carers include a possible achievement that your child has done this year or something exciting that has happened or is going to happen, without the children knowing, and send it into school...and this will help Father Christmas make his reply that little bit more personal. Mrs Forrest will collate all the information and get it to Father Christmas, so please either slip a little note in the Letter to Father Christmas envelope which will be passed to her, email her via the school or pop in and see her. The letters can be put in the red post box in the school main corridor. All replies by Friday 6th December please.

Celebration Worship

Well done to all those children who made it to the bench, they were:

Reception	Chloe Travis
Year 1	James Lewis
Year 2	Oliver Royds
Year 3	Tilly Leech
Year 4	Oakly Farnworth
Year 5	Charlie Knott
Year 6	Charlie Horrocks

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" *Philippians 4:13*
(Stories of Samuel and David)

Team Point Winners

Last week's winners - Yarrow

Y6 class worship – Friday 29th November

Year 6 will be performing the first Class Worship of the year to everyone this Friday 29th November.

As usual all parents, carers and family members are invited to watch all our Friday Worship, however, if you are a parent/carer/family member of a Year 6 pupil, we would like to especially invite you into school to watch the Year 6 Class Worship. It will take place in the school hall, starting at 2.55pm lasting until the end of school.

Please take a seat at the back of the hall if you can join us!!

Please note that we will not be showing any medals or trophies from home during this Worship, and there will not be the usual children on the 'Bench'.

Tarleton Holy Trinity's Christmas Market- This Sunday!

We would like to send you a final invitation, asking you to join us at the Annual Tarleton Christmas Market which takes place on **Sunday, 1st December**. It all starts at 12:30pm and will run throughout the day until approximately 4:00pm. There will be lots of things to buy and entertain you...over 30 stalls will be there in total including indoor Santa's Grotto, the Secrets Room, a cafe, Chocolate Tombola, children's crafts and lots, lots more!! If you're free – we hope to see you there!!

Friends PTA

Our Friends PTA have asked if you could please return your Christmas Raffle tickets, money and any unused tickets as soon as possible.



Narnia Trail Trip for Y5 and Y6

On 29th November, our Y5 and Y6 classes have been invited to Hesketh Bank Christian Centre to visit the amazing Narnia trail. This is an interactive journey where children enter the magical world of Narnia through the wardrobe and visit various Narnian homes and places, all based on the ideas of CS Lewis in 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'.

Road Safety

We are hugely grateful to parents (aunties and other friends of the school) that have volunteered for this week and to the parent who has volunteered to be fully trained to help us on future sessions. Another desperate plea for any volunteers to help run our road safety programme and join this volunteer on the full training that will be run by LCC. If there is anyone who can help, we would be very grateful, as, I'm sure you agree, it would be a tragedy to not be able to run such an important event. These sessions are running on a Thursday currently, however we are looking for new volunteers to undergo training so they are able to help out as the programme runs a few times a year with other year groups.

Douglas Cardiac Trust

Our choir will be singing at this event. Please gather at St Marks Square this Friday 29th November 7pm.

Co-op Membership Cards – Are you signed up?

On Saturday 23rd November we were presented with a fabulous cheque for £4284.92 from the local Co-op. We are extremely grateful for this boost to our funds. Many thanks to the Co-op and all our parents who are signed up to the membership scheme and support us every time they buy something at the Co-op. A reminder that the new round of Co-op community funding is now open and we have been very fortunate to be chosen again this time.

Even if you logged on last time to choose your favourite charity...you need to do it again. Please log into your Co-op membership account and select **Friends of Tarleton Holy Trinity** if you would like your share of the community fund to raise money for our school. **Just by swiping your card when you shop...it's as easy as that!**

Click on <https://www.coop.co.uk/membership> for more details about the Co-op Membership card – and don't forget...choose Friends (PTA) of Tarleton Holy Trinity as your chosen charity.

Min-Y-Don Meeting

Mr Skinner has arranged a Min-Y-Don information evening for Y6 parents this Thursday 28th November at 7pm. This will be a great opportunities to ask questions about this exciting trip in which we hope all children will participate.

Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2020?

Do you have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 - then for Lancashire resident families you need to apply for a school place, even if an older brother or sister is already attending your preferred school/academy.

The means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at:-

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (then click on "School Admissions" then "Apply for a school place"). This already went live on 2nd September 2019. It is quick and easy to use and offers an e-mail receipt of all submitted applications. Please ensure that you hit the "submit" button when you are ready to send in your completed on-line application. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your on-line application.

The closing dates for Primary applications for September 2020 is at 11-59 pm on 15th January 2020.

Attendance Figures

This week, 152 (out of 196) of our children managed to achieve 100% attendance. The winner of 'best attending class of the week' was Y4 Miss Jagger's and Mrs Simpsons class. 4 children were late for school last week.

After School Club

There will be no After School Club on the last day of term. (Friday 20th December)

Parents Evening last week

Many thanks to all parents and carers who attended our meetings last week and for showing your support for your child. We are also grateful for all those who filled in the questionnaire. These answers will be useful in helping us to continue the very best curriculum for each and every child which we continually strive to do.

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

Philip Marshall
Acting Deputy Headteacher

Did you know...

Advent starts on Sunday...

1) IT ORIGINATED AS A PERIOD OF FASTING.

Advent, from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning arrival, refers to the arrival of Jesus Christ. Although scholars aren't sure exactly when Christians began observing Advent, we do know that monks in the 5th century CE began fasting thrice weekly in November, either to prepare for Christmas or Epiphany, during which new Christians were baptized each year. Advent encourages Christians to reflect and focus on repentance and prayer.

2) IT'S A TIME OF SORROW AND JOY.

During Advent, devout Christians take the time to pray, reflect on the past year, and mourn for the sin and evil in the world. Although Advent is a time of sorrow, it's also an opportunity to express hope. Christians prepare for new beginnings, look forward to the second coming of Christ, and renew their faith.

3) CHRISTIANS LIGHT CANDLES IN AN ADVENT WREATH.

During Advent, it is usual to have an Advent Crown also known as an Advent Wreath. These are made from a circle of evergreen plants like holly and ivy which symbolises God with no beginning or end. The evergreen is a reminder that God does not change. The holly is also a symbol of the crown of thorns that Jesus wore when he was crucified. Four candles are fixed round the circle with another in the middle.

Our Vision Statement:

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.