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

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Just a few days left until half term. As of Tuesday, there is no news about an extended half term break, so school will reopen on Monday 2nd November. I would like to take this opportunity to say Thank you to all the children and parents and staff who have ensured that life in school has continued relatively normally and to say Thanks to everyone who has taken the responsibility and tested or isolated as necessary to keep children and staff safe. This has meant no bubble or school closures this year so far! (I have probably jinked this now). Have a great break and stay safe.

Celebration Worship

Last week's Celebration Worship PowerPoint has been uploaded to Class Dojo.

Well done to all those who made it to the 'Virtual Bench' last week. They were:

Reception	Frank
Year 1	Theo and Chloe
Year 2	Elena
Year 3	Luca
Year 4	Daisy and Ivy
Year 5	Niall
Year 6	Ava P

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

Heartsmart - Let love in

Team Points

Last Week's Winners - Douglas

Toast and bacon butties – final deadline this Thursday

The payment items are now ready on ParentPay for the next half term -

Reception Toast

Infant Toast

Junior Toast

Junior Breakfast Buns

The deadline for payment is **Thursday 22nd October by 12 noon.**

Due to the administration time involved I am afraid we can no longer add late comers, therefore please ensure you pay by the deadline if you would like your child to receive one or more of the above.

Please be aware when booking that I am afraid that there will be no refunds for days missed.

Make sure you book this week as the deadline is now!

Nasal flu vaccines

Our NHS nasal flu team will be in school on Wednesday 4th November. It is even more important this year to have our children vaccinated and protected from flu. If you have not sent back your form please do.

Tarleton Tyres

A great big thank you going out to Tarleton Tyres for giving the Reception and Y1 children tyres to build with. They will be well used.

Hand sanitisers

Children are required to use the school soap and sanitisers to protect against the virus. However, I understand that some children with a skin condition such as eczema are getting sore hands. If any child has an irritated skin condition (such as eczema) and parents do not want the children to use the hand sanitiser in school, then please let the class teacher know by email or through dojo and we will ensure that those children wash their hands every time. Teachers encourage hand washing and sanitising, alternately, as sanitising takes far less time to administer. Please do not encourage your children to bring in their own sanitisers as most 'child-friendly' sanitisers do not have the 70% alcohol level required to kill the virus (or ensure the alcohol level is 70%). Please also encourage your children to rinse their hands thoroughly when washing their hands, as soap residue will dry the children's skin. Moisturising hands after school (or as the children go to bed) may also combat the soreness.



“Be LIGHTS! Don’t forget to let love in!”

Our Worship this week is entitled. “BE LIGHTS! Don’t forget to let love in.”

The children have been learning about how God loves unconditionally. The children might like to sing this song at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-IFSTnFMN0g&safe=active> (God’s Love is Big!”

The Bible says that God has inscribed our name on the palm of his hand. God values us a great deal and we should value ourselves highly too. We should “LET THE LOVE IN!”



The Bible also asks us to BE LIGHTS in the World- to show LOVE in the World and to VALUE other people. (Valuing is of course a key part of our school vision. “In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV)

Be a part of something amazing! 31st October –The Largest Christian Live Kids Show-EVER!

This week in school we are also discussing “All Saints Day” on the 1st November when we remember the many Christians who have done good deeds and brought light and love to the World. “All Hallows Eve” is the night before. Over the last 30 years or so the mainly American tradition of TRICK or TREATING has become popular in the UK.

Obviously, with Covid, it is not really safe for children to go from house to house. As an alternative, children could take part in the largest Christian live event ever using the links on Saturday 31st October!

<https://www.allstarskidsclub.com/bigshow>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=etlrMxLhBQE&safe=active>

This is also a chance to celebrate LIGHT and LOVE in the World.

As a school, we usually encourage the children to give something away rather than asking others for something. In previous years, our children have been praised having made cards or made biscuits to give away on Halloween (All Hallows Eve) Obviously, this year that isn’t possible but maybe children could make a cake to show love to their family.

They could also make a pumpkin lantern but maybe decorate it with hearts and crosses rather than scary faces. Their pumpkin can then shine LIGHT and LOVE into the World. We can celebrate LIGHT!



So this week we will be encouraging our children to SHINE! To BE LIGHTS in the World.

Here are 2 more songs that the children might want to sing along with:

SHINE <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W2xc-w8Zcbo>

LZ7 – This little Light <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C4XwH7UitU>

Poppy appeal

As traditional at THT, we are supporting the Poppy Appeal this year. We are working on a way to distribute poppies safely but the poppies will be available after half term, so don’t forget your donation.

New school dinner menus

Janet in the kitchen is still offering a 2 choice menu plus a sandwich option if children do not like any of the options for the day. Lancashire Catering Service have been accredited SUGARWISE reduced sugar award for their menu choices. New menus are available to view on ParentPay.

Reading well for children in your local library

Reading Well for Children is a list of books to provide children and their families and carers with information, advice and support for coping with feelings and worries, daily life and getting through a tough time.

Books have been chosen and endorsed by leading health professionals (NHS England, Mind, the Royal College of GPs, the School Library Association, and colleagues from public libraries) and co-produced with children and families.

The booklist is targeted at children in Key Stage 2 (aged 7-11) but includes a wide range of reading levels to support less confident readers, and to encourage children to read together with their siblings and carers.

The list covers:

- Maintaining good mental health and wellbeing
- Understanding and managing feelings
- Dealing with worries
- Navigating the world around you (at school, online, in the news)

- Dealing with tough times (when someone dies, trauma, when a parent/carer has mental health needs)
- Living with specific diagnosed conditions (including ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), OCD and physical disabilities)

You can borrow any of the Reading Well for Children or Shelf Help for Young People books from any Lancashire Library for free. For more information, visit your local library or visit:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries-and-archives/libraries/>

Confirmation Classes

If your child is in Y6 (or you yourself) and would like to strengthen their faith by being confirmed, then please get in touch with Fr Mark Soady on rector@rsmtht.church for further details. Confirmation classes are hoping to start in the New Year, with the confirmation service being led by Bishop Philip at Holy Trinity Church, Tarleton on 7th May 2021.

PJ jog – last call for payments

Thank you to all the parents who have contributed to the PJ jog this year. There are a couple of days remaining to pay your donation on ParentPay if you haven't already done so. The final day for contributions is **Wednesday 21st October**.

Getting the brain in to gear

Lancaster University Psychology department are running a study into dementia. They are researching into the brains function for healthy ageing. Please see flyer attached if you are interested in taking part.

Individual school photos

The deadline for school photos to be ordered and delivered free to school was last Sunday. However, if you missed this deadline, then you can still order photos from MyFoto online for home delivery or instant download, up until 29th November.

Endeavour Holiday Camps

A reminder that Endeavour half-term holiday camp taking place at Tarleton Academy from Monday 26th - Friday 30th October.

Scholastic book fair

As our usual Scholastic book Fair will be delayed until the Spring Term, Mrs Birkby wanted to remind parents that if you wish to purchase Scholastic books for Christmas please use our unique school link, then school can benefit financially.

Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!** Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/tarleton-ce/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by December 3rd, 2020**.

Do you fancy a career change? Are you wanting to become a teacher?

North West SCITT are looking to start a QTS course beginning in January. They are offering their Primary QTS programme for a small cohort of successful applicants. For more information and to register your interest please email: aanderton@woodland.lancs.sch.uk

Have your circumstances changed?

Have your circumstances changed? You may be eligible for additional funding to support your child in school, for example free school meals.

This applies to **all children from Reception to Year 6**, please do not wait until year 2 to apply, once you have applied this can remain with your child until the end of secondary school so it is worth applying today.

Your child may be able to get **additional funding to use on your child within school** and free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit with a household income of less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income-Based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance

- Child Tax Credit, **not** entitled to Working Tax Credit and household income less than £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' – the payment you receive for a further four weeks after you finish work

Please call the LCC Area Education Office on 01772 532 109 and say that you are enquiring about 'Free School Meal Eligibility'. It must be the person claiming the benefit that rings. You will need to provide your:

Name
 Date of birth
 National insurance number
 They will confirm whether you are entitled over the telephone.

Please can you then let us know the outcome?

You can also apply online https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free_school_meals_and_pupil_premium

Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2021?

Do you have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021, or is his/her last year of Primary School from 1st September 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 "Apply for a school place")

This already went live on 1st September 2020. 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 applications for September 2021 are at 11-59 pm on:-

Secondary school applications – 31st October 2020

Primary school applications – 15th January 2021

For prospective parents, we will not be holding our annual Open Day, but get in touch with school and we will try and find a convenient time to show you round.

Apply Online – On time!

Here is a recent video featuring Debbie Ormerod, the County Access and Entitlement Manager.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/?page=3#videotoptips>

Within the clip, Debbie is offering her professional advice and guidance about the school admissions process.

As always...thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

T Dimmock
 Acting Head teacher

COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers



What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Child should get a test • Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result • Inform school immediately about test results 	<p>...when child's test comes back negative and symptom free for 48 hours</p>
 <p>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) • Inform school immediately about test results • Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i> 	<p>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Household member with symptoms should get a test • Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result • Inform school immediately about test results 	<p>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i> 	<p>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</p>

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test negative during those 14 days • Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too 	<p>...when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
 <p>...we / my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not take unauthorised leave in term time • Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel • Provide information to school as per attendance policy <p>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Whole household self-isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
 <p>...we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child shouldn't attend school • Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team • Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	<p>...when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</p>
 <p>....I am not sure who should get a test for COVID -19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only people with symptoms* need to get a test • People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive 	<p>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</p>