# Newsletter

13.10.2023

#### **CELEBRATING HARVEST**

#### THANK YOU

to Pauline and Chloe for leading our Harvest Assembly on Monday afternoon AND for your generous donations for this year's Harvest Collection!

This morning Mrs. Duerden and Mrs. Peake took the Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 School Councillors to deliver all our Harvest Collection to a local food bank in Colne that supports many local families.



It's been a really busy week at West Street with lots of visitors so

#### THANK YOU to.....

- all the Year 6 parents who joined us for Brew and a Book on Tuesday
- all the Reception parents who popped in for this weeks' Basic Skills sessions in Reception on Tuesday & Thursday
- all the Year 5 and Year 6 parents who attended the Parent and Child Workshops on Wednesday & Thursday
- Everyone who visited during our Open Day for prospective Reception parents yesterday

#### What next?

Brew and a Book for Reception parents will be on Tuesday 7th November

After Christmas Parent and Child Workshops will focus on online safety



#### **Dates for your diary**

**Tues 17th October** A.m. Triple P Parenting course in staffroom

Thurs 19th October Halloween Movie Night

#### Fri 20th October

Celebration Assembly for YR—Y6 parents at 9.10am.

School & Nursery close at 3.30pm for half-term

#### October half-term is

from Mon 23rd to Mon 30th October. School and Nursery re-open on Tue 31st October

# Tue 31st October to Fri 3rd Nov

Poetry Week for all classes Year 5 Bikeability

Week commencing Mon 6th November: Parent Teacher Meetings. Letter to be sent home next week



# **School Dinners**

This is the menu for school lunches next week. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

#### Monday

Vegetarian Sausage Roll or Jacket Potato with filling

## Tuesday

Tomato Pasta or Panini

#### Wednesday

Roast Dinner or Sandwiches

#### **Thursday**

Curry & rice or Cheese whirls

#### Friday

**Pizza or Fish Fingers** 

The cost of school dinners is:

£2.40 per day OR £12.00 per week

Parents who pay for their child's school dinners should pay directly to the office staff. Payments can be made either by cash or cheque.





On Thursday morning Mrs Duerden, the Year 5 and Year 6 School Councillors had their second meeting at Colne Town Hall with the School Councillors from the other schools.

The report below has been written by Darcy Foulds (Y6 School Councillor)

We were deciding roles and ideas to make Colne and our schools better places. There were four roles—Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. Four children were elected to these roles.

Thomas from Trawden Primary School was elected to be our Chairperson; Ade from West Street Primary School was elected to be our Vice Chair-Person, Mason from Park Primary School was elected to be our Secretary and Charlie from West Street Primary School was elected to be our Treasurer.

We have decided on our group name. This has been announced as Colne Junior Town Council as that is what we voted for. We will discuss what we can improve in Colne at our next meeting as a group.

Mrs Duerden was incredibly proud when she returned to school. All four of our Year 5 and Year 6 School Councillors chose to apply for the Colne Junior Town Council roles. They had to stand up in front of everybody and explain why they should be chosen. Mrs. Duerden thought they all did an amazing job of this. WELL DONE to Lottie, Ade, Darcy and Charlie for representing our school so brilliantly! Next week Lottie, Ade, Darcy and Charlie will feedback to our School Council. Then all of the School Councillors will go back to their classes to find out their ideas about how to improve Colne.



#### **Absence Procedure**

When you know your child is off school ill please call and leave us a message. Then we know why your child is not in school.

When your child is not in school, the office staff will:

- send a text message to remind parents that school needs to know why your child is absent.
- make a phone call when they have not yet heard back from you.
- ask Mrs. Peake to make a home visit.

When you receive a text from school you can either reply to the text we have sent you OR just give us a ring.

#### **Contacting School**

The school office is open from 8.30am. Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am. A member of staff will phone you back when

# **IMPORTANT for Year 6 parents**

# **ONLY 18 days left to apply**

Secondary school admissions for 2024 are now open: If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place at: <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/</u> <u>schools</u>

- It's quick and easy to do. You will receive an email confirmation of your application.
- You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

# The closing date for secondary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 31 October 2023.

For guidance on school transport see: <u>https://</u> www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/

# **IMPORTANT for Nursery parents**

Primary school admissions for 2024 are now open: If your child is in their last year of nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools</u>

It's quick and easy to do. You will receive an email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

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The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 15 January 2024.

THANK YOU to those parents who came to our Open Day yesterday. Were you unable to come, then contact us to arrange a visit!





# IT'S COMPETITION TIME!

Do you enjoy writing?

Then have a go at writing a 500 word story.

You can write a story about whatever you want.

The competition closes on 10th November.

Find out more on

bbc.co.uk/500words

There's still lots of time left to have a go!

# Join in with our 2023 Make Room For Wildlife Poster Competition

Many of the plants and creatures around us can be helped or harmed by our behaviour.



Use A4 paper and any art materials to create a poster with a catchy slogan and some big bold illustrations showing how everyone can help **not** harm the wildlife we have.

On the reverse of your poster please place your:NameSchoolYear Group

Entries will be collected on Monday 16th October 2023 by a member of Colne in Bloom/Waterside Action Group For more information contact Alice Mann 07940084741



Winners will receive a gift token presented at the Town Hall



# Are you an artist? Interested in caring for wildlife?

Then have a go at creating a poster that encourages everyone to

# **Make Room For Wildlife**

This competition closes next Monday 16th October.

So get your pens or pencils out and have a go!

A massive well done and congratulations to our learners and readers of the week!!

**GREAT JOB - You have** earned 10 Dojo points!

**THANK YOU to all those** parents who joined us for this morning's Celebration Assembly to see your child receive an award.



# **Readers of the Week**

- Year R Hasnain for looking at pictures in books with enthusiasm
- Year 1 **Theodore** for really enjoying reading in school and asking lots of questions to learn more
- Year 2 Freija for making huge progress with her reading
- Year 3 Novagh for being determined to improv her reading and being a star in every reading lesson
- Year 4 **Betsy** for brilliant inference skills during English lessons
- Year 5 **Jakub** for being enthusiastic when reading our class book
- Year 6 Adam N for confidently reading our class book to everyone

### Learners of the Week

Year R	<b>Logan</b> for much enthusiasm with numbers—he can already count to 100	<b>Ethan</b> for his enthusiasm with phonics and using the actions for the letters we have learnt
Year 1	<b>Ariah</b> for always doing her best and being a resilient learner	<b>Jack</b> for working really hard with his History learning
Year 2	<b>Kalub</b> for writing an amazing letter to the wolf	Fatima for improving her independence
Year 3	<b>Jacob</b> for always being a class role model and super drama work	<b>Lilly</b> for doing her best in every lesson working hard to improve her behaviour
Year 4	<b>Molly</b> for fantastic team work when making musical instruments	<b>Lily</b> for show great determination learning in maths
Year 5	<b>Theo K</b> for being kind, caring and making sensible choices	<b>Lottie</b> for always giving 100% and making others smile!
Year 6	<b>Fatimah</b> for always putting 100% in to her English and being proud to read to everyone in her class	<b>Riley</b> for always doing his best and being an excellent role model