

# Newsletter

04.11.2023



## Attendance Success!

Last half-term **115** children from Reception to Year 6 achieved attendance between 95% and 100%.

**70** of these children achieved 100% attendance.

This is a FANTASTIC START to this academic year! The whole school attendance was **92.8%**.

In order to reward all children who achieve 95%+ attendance every half-term, Miss. Watson is introducing a new award. Moiz and Annie (Y4 School Councillors) designed this new award. We are waiting for the awards to arrive so we can present them and congratulate everybody in Celebration Assembly—fingers crossed for next week!



to be at school.



## Parent Teacher Meetings

Teachers are looking forward to meeting you at next week's Parent Teacher meetings

Day	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Thu 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Meetings will be in the Library in the KS2 building. Parents please wait in main entrance	Miss Oldale Y1	Mr Filder Y3	Mrs Kozlow Reception	Miss Dexter Y2
Meetings will be in the Computer Room in the KS2 building. Parents please wait in main entrance	Mrs Duerden & Miss Milner Y5	Mrs Gupta SEND	Mr Smith Y4	Mrs Cumpstey Y6

## Dates for your diary

### Week commencing

#### Mon 6th Nov:

Parent Teacher Meetings

#### Tue 7th Nov:

Brew and a Book for Reception parents at 9.00am in the Library

Library **CLOSED** today

#### Tue 14th Nov:

Book Sale in the Library after school to raise money for Y5/Y6 residential visit

#### Tue 21st Nov:

History visitors for Year 1 & Year 3

#### Fri 24th Nov:

Y5 & Y6 School Councillors attend Junior School Council Meeting at Colne Town Hall

#### Tue 28th Nov:

History visitors for Year 4 & Year 6

Year 5 STEM day



## School Dinners

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

### Monday

Sausage & mash or  
Tomato Marscarpone  
Pasta

### Tuesday

Curry & rice or Panini  
pizza

### Wednesday

Roast Dinner or  
Macaroni Cheese

### Thursday

Cheese & potato pie or  
Jacket Potato with  
fillings

### 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.



## THANK YOU!

Earlier this week, Miss. Watson received a lovely card from Jo Sweeney regarding our Harvest Donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society which is based at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Colne. Miss. Watson would like to share this feedback from Jo's card:

'What a response we got from West Street School following our appeal for the food bank. We could not believe that one school could collect so much. Your parents are generous and your children amazing. We really enjoyed the visit of your pupils, they are all happy, kind and big-hearted. And what a work ethic, working until they had unpacked and stacked all the groceries.'

The SVP would like to thank the children and staff of West Street School following our appeal for the food bank and for your generous donation. We are really grateful and on behalf of the SVP and all the people we have been able to help—a heartfelt thankyou. People like you really do make a difference.'



## **Year 5 Bikeability**

Despite the wind, rain and cold, Year 5 had a brilliant time during their Bikeability sessions this week. All the children were excellent and made good progress with their cycling skills as well as their confidence. Everyone completed their Level 1 Bikeability and some succeeded in achieving their Level 2 Bikeability.

**WELL DONE to YEAR 5!**



## **Wednesday's Cake Sale**

This raised £140 towards the cost of the Year 5/Year 6 residential visit planned for June 2024. **MANY THANKS!**

## **Poetry Week**

This afternoon Miss. Watson popped in to Year 4's classroom. One group of children were performing a kenning poem they have written. This was so amazing that Miss. Watson stayed to watch the other four groups perform their poems. Every class has prepared a whole class performance of a poem—these will be shared in a special POETRY assembly on Monday morning. Some children's poems will be shared in next week's newsletter and on class blogs.

Can you work out which animal this kenning poem describes?

**Carrot muncher, Grass hopper, Burrow maker,**

**Fluff wearer, Poo maker, Vegetable stealer.**

**AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS CANCELLED NEXT WEEK**

**DUE TO PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS**

## 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

Are you a parent looking for a Reception place for your child to start school in September 2024?

*Come and take a look around our school and see what we can offer you and your child.*



You can contact us by email or phone to organise a mutually convenient time & date to come for a tour.

*We are looking forward to meeting you!*

head@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk  
01282 865840

## 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: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

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 primary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 15 January 2024.**





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** **Millie** for great phonics work, lovely writing and fantastic reading!
- Year 1** **Faye** for her enjoyment when reading different poems
- Year 2** **Lola** for reading aloud confidently
- Year 3** **Texas** for her great attitude to reading and fantastic comprehension work
- Year 4** **Addison** for always reading at home and consistently bringing her bookbag to school
- Year 5** **Lily R** for reading consistently during the holidays & being more enthusiastic about books
- Year 6** **Millie** for always wanting to read aloud in class

## Learners of the Week

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| <b>Year R</b> | <b>Stanley</b> for giving great answers during class discussions, listening & joining in            | <b>Hasnain</b> for using the phonics board to support his writing and working hard |
| <b>Year 1</b> | <b>Victor</b> for returning to school with a positive attitude and really engaged with his learning | <b>Ayden</b> for joining in with all activities this week                          |
| <b>Year 2</b> | <b>Jasmin</b> for always doing her best   | <b>Sam</b> for persevering when writing his haiku poem                             |
| <b>Year 3</b> | <b>Jaxon</b> for improvements with both his handwriting and presentation                            | <b>Drake</b> for his super attitude to work and real love of learning poetry       |
| <b>Year 4</b> | <b>Moiz</b> for always setting a good example to others both with his effort & behaviour            | <b>Nikita</b> for her brilliant participation in discussions about Science         |
| <b>Year 5</b> | <b>Melissa</b> for being a good role model and having a positive attitude during Bikeability        | <b>Sabrina</b> for her super resilience and positive attitude during Bikeability   |
| <b>Year 6</b> | <b>Ibrahim</b> for having a positive attitude and doing his best in everything                      | <b>Phoebe</b> for her lightbulb moment in Maths— she is now a long division wizard |

