

# Newsletter

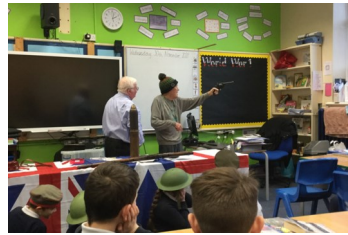
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This week, Year 6 had a visit from John Hartley all about WW1.



John used to take groups of high school children to the battlefields in Belgium and Northern France. Over the years he has collected WW1 memorabilia that he bought to show the children. John showed the children

weapons such as a pistol, mortar shell, grenades and a rifle. The children learnt that all these weapons are inert—this means they are no longer active and do not work!! He bought both a German and an English hats that soldiers would



have worn to protect their heads. Helmets were not introduced until 1916! The



children were very interested in seeing real life artefacts from WW1. They are really looking



forward to another visitor next week!

Meanwhile, Professor Tuesday visited school to work with Year 3 and Year 4 learning more about the stone age. Following a discussion with Year 3 and 4 I have learnt that:



- Artefacts are objects found by archaeologists
- Stone Age artefacts include wooden axes, rock hammers, different types of ropes made of animal skins and plants, necklaces and ploughs
- Stone Age people created cave paintings that show us the animals they hunted and how they hunted them
- Stone Age people originally lived in caves and over time learnt how to build their own houses made of stone



I was very impressed by the children's knowledge of and interest in the stone age.



## Dates for your diary

**Friday 9th December**

**2pm** Christmas Fair

**Tuesday 13th December**

**2pm** Nursery & Reception  
Christmas Performance

**6pm** KS1 Christmas  
Performance

**Wednesday 14th December**

**6pm** KS2 Christmas  
Performance

**Thursday 15th December**

Christmas Jumpers  
Christmas Dinner  
Christmas Parties

**Friday 16th December**

**9am** Celebration Assembly  
Learners of the Term  
**1.30pm** School closes for  
Christmas Holidays

**Tuesday 3rd January**

Children return to school

**Thursday 12th January**

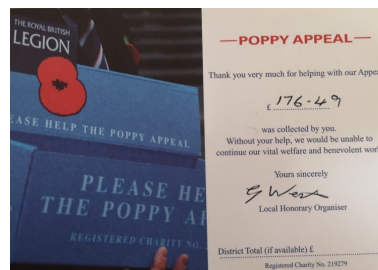
**1pm** Pantomime—Cinderella  
Please pick children up from  
the Municipal Hall at 3.10

**Monday 15th January**

Deadline to apply for a  
primary school place



Thank you for your generous donations for the poppy appeal in November!



The Year 5 Cake Sale raised £140 thank you to everyone for their donations of cakes and a big thank you to Miss Spencer for her incredible buns!

Finally, starting from Monday, Year 6 will be coming into and leaving school from the KS2 yard. This means more staff will be out at the end of the day to see the children out of school. Please do not take your child until a member of staff has seen that you are here and has told them they can go. Thank you for helping us to keep them safe.

Miss Watson

## Christmas Events

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December: P.T.A. Christmas Fair

This will start from 2pm. Pick up presents from the stalls in the Year 6 classroom - this year you can choose a brilliant book from the Usborne Book stall. Enjoy the games in the hall. And finally remember to come and meet Santa in his grotto!

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December: 2pm** Nursery and Reception children will be performing 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' in the hall - come along to watch this version of the Nativity story! Later on the same day, at **6pm** Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing 'The Inn-spectors' - come and find out exactly who the inn-spectors are inspecting!

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December: 6pm** Key Stage 2 children will be performing 'Lights, Camel, Action, Sequins!' Come along to find enjoying watching Key Stage 2 making a song and dance about Christmas!!

## School Dinner Options

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

### Monday

Sausage & Mash or  
Jacket Potato

### Tuesday

Meatballs or  
Veg Fingers

### Wednesday

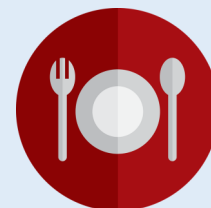
Roast Dinner or  
Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta

### Thursday

Curry & Rice or  
Cheese Whirl

### Friday

Pizza or  
Fish Goujons



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.

Every Thursday, parents of children who will be receiving an award, will get a text inviting them to Friday morning's



## Learners of the Week

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| <b>Year 1</b> <b>Jasmin</b> for growing in confidence and always putting her hand up to share ideas.                       | <b>Scarlett M</b> for being a Maths whizz and completing her work independently.                              |
| <b>Year 2</b> <b>Jaxon</b> for being amazing at column method.   | <b>Misbah</b> for being an amazing historian!   |
| <b>Year 3</b> <b>Anais</b> for super effort and behaviour all week and really trying hard on answering questions in class. | <b>Nicola</b> for a super week and great determination in Maths with column addition and subtraction.         |
| <b>Year 4</b> <b>Taylor</b> for great resilience and determination even when finding things tough.                         | <b>Louis</b> for always asking great questions, always putting in 100% and always having a positive attitude. |
| <b>Year 5</b> <b>Adam G</b> for super writing in Power of Reading sessions and trying hard to use                          | <b>Hussain</b> for super behaviour for learning and trying his best to make his writing more descriptive.     |
| <b>Year 6</b> <b>Ismail</b> for trying his hardest and being resilient during test week.                                   | <b>Charlotte</b> for being very helpful and trustworthy.  |

## Readers of the Week

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| Year 1 | <b>Kalub</b> for enjoying choosing different books during our library visit.  |
| Year 2 | <b>Novagh</b> for fantastic comprehension skills!   |
| Year 3 | <b>Molly</b> for fantastic effort and contribution in all reading lessons and for a wonderful score on her reading test.  |
| Year 4 | <b>Theo N</b> for an improved attitude to reading and greater involvement in whole class reading when making suggestions. |
| Year 5 | <b>Fatima</b> for engagement in English reading lessons and reading lots at home.   |
| Year 6 | <b>Lewis</b> for being super resilient during his reading test!   |





## 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 necessary.



## School Dinners

The cost of school dinners are:

£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.



## Are you interested volunteering in school?

We are keen to welcome more volunteers in school to support children's learning e.g. by hearing readers, helping out with practical activities such as cooking, art and crafts, help out with other activities. Volunteers must have a DBS – this is easy to organise with Miss. Watson. Interested? Then talk with Miss. Watson or Mrs. Duerden!



## Do you get Free School Meals?

Is your child aged 5 to 16? Do they get benefits-related free school meals?

If so, they may be eligible for free activities and food through the Fun Vibes, Active Lives programme - Pendle's holiday activities and food scheme.

See the leaflet below for more information of for details about where to book.

**Pendle's holiday activities & food programme**



**FUN VIBES Active Lives CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**

A range of fun activities on offer, including a healthy meal  
Free places available for eligible school-age children  
Paid for places also available

access a range of activities:

- includes outdoor provision
- meals by food provision
- Online activities
- activities for the whole family
- Trip to Cinderella Park\*
- Music, outdoor education and drama workshops

\* Limited spaces available for Panto trip

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During the Christmas holiday, Fun Vibes, Active Lives will provide free fun, engaging sessions throughout Pendle for eligible school-age children and young people

Free healthy meals will also be provided

**FUN VIBES Active Lives**



For further details on providers and to book activities, please visit [www.pendleisuretrust.co.uk/fun-vibes-active-lives](http://www.pendleisuretrust.co.uk/fun-vibes-active-lives)

\*eligible participants are those who access benefits related free school meals

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If you are experiencing difficulties booking online, please call 01282 227649

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## What's on locally?

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lancashire helping neighbours in Pendle

**PUTTING FOOD ON TABLES PROJECT**

**COME AND JOIN US AT THE SACRED HEART CHURCH HALL QUEEN STREET, COLNE WARM SPACE**

For a cup of tea or coffee, a chat, a warm and a welcome.  
Thursdays  
1 0.00am-12.30pm

Food vouchers available from school  
Open 1st December



"For I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in..."  
Matthew 25:35

**Food for Families**

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH PRESENTS



**Nativity!**  
THE REAL STORY  
AS NEVER TOLD BEFORE  
DECEMBER 3RD

1.00PM & 2.00PM  
FOLLOWED BY  
FREE RERESHMENTS  
AND CRAFTS TO TAKE HOME

THE NATIVITY THE REAL STORY IN THE LITTLE SAVOY CINEMA AT 3.45PM  
TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH,  
ROBERT STREET COLNE BEHIND THE COMMERCIAL PUB.

**FREE ADMISSION**



## You have applied for a primary school place for your child to start in September 2023 - what happens next?

- Remember to apply for your child's place by January 15<sup>th</sup> 2023
- Lancashire County Council send out email offers to parents on 17 April 2023
- Schools will receive information about their new Reception children
- The school your child has been offered a place at will get a touch with parents
- At West Street we organise an induction meeting for new Reception parents in June that includes information about the school day, uniform, what children will learn and the roles of different staff
- Then we invite new Reception children to school for three transition afternoons in June and July when they spend time with Reception staff in both the Reception Indoor and Outdoor classrooms
- In July the Reception teacher arranges visits to your child's pre-school settings as well as 1:1 meetings with every child's parents. In this way the teacher gets to know about your child before they start school
- In September Reception children start school part-time for the first two weeks then full-time from the third week

You are welcome to come and look around to find out more. Just contact us on 01282 865840 and ask for our headteacher Sarah Watson.

You can find out more information about applying for a primary school place for your Reception child by following the link below

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/?page=1>

## Applying for School Places

If you have a child due to start school in September you need to apply for a primary school place by the 15th January. If you would like your child to come to West Street you will still need to apply even if they are currently attending our nursery or have siblings already at West Street. If you need help completing the form please ask the office staff who will find someone to help you out.



**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY EAST**

Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2023 and living in Lancashire?

**APPLY NOW!**

[WWW.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/SCHOOLS](http://WWW.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/SCHOOLS)  
or give us a call on 01254 220747

**CLOSING DATE: 15 JANUARY 2023**

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

**HAVE YOUR SAY**  
Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk) and search 'School Admission Policies'.

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