



'Let your light shine!'

Our Christian Value this half term is Hope

Friday 17th May 2019

A huge sigh of relief could be heard in the school this week as we congratulated our Year Six children on completing their SATS on Thursday morning. It has been a stressful week for us all but they are now over and normal life can be resumed. We were so proud of our Year Six children for their great attitude to the SATS, everyone approached them with positivity and they thoroughly enjoyed the after SATS party! Key Stage one SATS continue into next week.

We are now accepting children into our nursery for September. If you know of anyone who is looking for a nursery please tell them to apply now to ensure they get the place secured.

I am delighted that this week we found out that we have successfully secured funding from a National Lottery bid to pay towards the development of our Nursery outdoor area. This is a fantastic project which will transform the currently unused steps into an exciting play area for our nursery and reception children. We are hoping to start on this work very quickly now. Over the half term break we will also finally be getting the path across the grass to Year One in place which we hope will avoid congestion around the classroom doors and help stop everyone getting muddy feet!

Have a great weekend

Mrs Adams

Our stars of the week this week are;

Minis	Everyone
Reception	Aidan & Beckett
Year 1	Luke & George
Year 2	Emilie & Ethan
Year 3	Keeva & Charlotte
Year 4	Hettie & Skye
Year 5	Veer & Anthony
Year 6	Whole Class



KS2 Merit Badge Winners

Class	Red – Ruby	Blue – Sapphire	Green - Emerald	Yellow – Amber
Y3	Lucie	Caitie	Albert	Ruby
Y4	Olivia	Connor	Archie M	Maisie
Y5	James	Owen	Alex	Tyler
Y6	Whole Class			

Social Media

Can I please remind everyone that most social media sites are appropriate for children aged 13 and over as we continue to have a large number of issues related to inappropriate use of social media, chatting on xbox which are spilling into school and causing many problems for us. Please monitor your children’s use of their technology. A very big thank you to the parents who have responded so well to us and have supported us when problems have arisen, this is such a great help to us. Please also monitor the playing of games which are not age appropriate such as Fortnite which is not appropriate for young children and again causes us so many problems in school.

End of Year School Trips

All school trips have now been finalised for your child's class and have been added to the list of dates at the end of the newsletter. There is a school spider survey for each class trip that needs to be completed please. If you haven't used the survey system for a little while, you will probably need to refresh it in order for a new survey to be displayed.

You can pay for your trip online via Scopay, where there is an option for you tick the consent box and type in any additional information that we need to be aware of. You can also pay by cash or cheque at the school office if you have problems accessing Scopay.

Online Systems and Advance Bookings

Whilst we are aware that we have several online systems in place at present and it can be very confusing, may we please ask for your continued support in keeping bookings and payments up to date. You are able to book in advance for both school meals and before/after school clubs. This is really important and will help to avoid disappointment and upset at lunchtimes if children don't have the choice of a meal that they like or any confusion at the end of the day with last minute after school club bookings.

Letters requesting payment of any outstanding balances will be sent home after the half term break, this will give parents time to check their accounts online. We are aiming to have all accounts up to date by the end of June please. Any queries, please contact the school office. Thank you 😊

St Leonard's Church – Spring Fair, Saturday 18th May 2019

The Spring Fair starts from 11am tomorrow morning. Refreshments, cake stall, plant sale, children's crafts. Everyone welcome, come and join the fun!

BIG Battery Hunt

Battery boxes have now been sent home. PLEASE help us with this campaign. Every year over 20 000 tonnes of batteries end up in landfill sites! Please note we can only accept the following batteries:

Please could we ask that any batteries which have two terminals be covered with a piece of sticky tape.

This year we will be entering the **BIG** battery hunt competition. This initiative helps encourage young people in schools across the UK to think about the importance of recycling, and then challenges them to collect as many used batteries as they can. The aim is for each pupil to contribute to an overall total. So as soon as they arrive, each child will receive their own recycling battery box which they can fill and bring into school. Not only will we be helping promote the importance of recycling, this is a competition and as a school we stand to win one of these wonderful prizes:

- A 2-night class trip to the sustainability centre
- A 3-year subscription to MyMaths worth £1,000
- £2000 worth of school equipment vouchers
- iPads

All battery boxes to please be returned to school by the 1 June. Happy recycling! Mrs van Zyl.

Dates for your Diary 2018 – 2019

Tuesday 11 th June	
Wednesday 12 th June	Father's Day Lunches (<i>Order forms have been sent home</i>)
Thursday 13 th June	
Monday 17 th – Wednesday 19 th June	Y6 Residential Trip to Tower Wood
Tuesday 18 th June	KS2 Trip, Y3 to Y5 – Anderton Centre
Tuesday 2 nd July	Sports Day (weather permitting)
Thursday 4 th July	Y1 Trip, 'Bring Yer Wellies'
Friday 5 th July	Y2 Trip, Ribble Discovery Centre
Friday 5 th & Monday 8 th July	Life Bus in school
Week commencing 8 th July	Healthy bodies, Healthy minds week
Wednesday 10 th July	Bags to school collection
Thursday 11 th July morning	Leavers service in school for year 6
Thursday 11 th July evening	Year six prom
Friday 12 th July	Reports out
Tuesday 16 th July	EYFS Trip, 'Imagine That!'
Thursday 18 th July	End of year church service

Term Dates 2019 - SUMMER TERM 2019

School closes on	Friday 24 th May 2019 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure	Monday 27 th May – Tuesday 4 th June 2019
School reopens on	Wednesday 5 th June 2019
School closes on	Friday 19 th July 2019 at 2.00pm

Lancashire Science Festival Family Day

Saturday 29 June, 9.00am – 5.00pm
 University of Central Lancashire, Preston
 Free admission
 Register for your free festival pass at www.lancshiresciencefestival.co.uk

Just a little of what we have in store for you!

UCLan Physical Sciences and Computing Zone

Come and see mathematics, physics and astronomy in action. Try our exciting demonstrations of space-time, magnetic levitation and chaos theory!

Zoolab Animal Encounters

Get up close with exotic animals as we find out all about where and how animals have inspired and influenced scientists and engineers to make new materials and technology.

Thrills, Theme Parks and Maths in 3D

We all love a thrill and most of us go to theme parks to get them. You will experience some of the best thrills and rides on the planet as Dr Kevin Bowman explains some of the maths that makes these possible.

From Plate to Poo

Not into mushrooms? Sick of sprouts? Always finding sweetcorn when you haven't eaten any? Come on a journey from your plate to your poo.

Science Showfloors

Enter one of our Science Showfloors packed with exciting interactive activities covering the full spectrum of science, technology, engineering, maths, health and much more.

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WESTHOLME SCHOOL

Year 5 Taster Day

Tuesday 25th June 2019

9.30am – 2.45pm

Experience a day in the life of a
Westholme Senior School student!

Fun lessons in many exciting subjects and
activities

Registration from 9.15am

Please note: all registrations must be
received by Friday 14th June 2019

For further information or to book a place, please
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