

Dates for the Spring Term:

Thursday 24th March ~ Kestrels, Doves and Owls open afternoon 14:15-hometime – postponed due to the lack of notice. Friday 25th March ~ Mothers' Day event.

Monday 28th March ~ Parrots, Herons and Robins open afternoon 14:15-hometime – postponed due to the lack of notice. Tuesday 29th March ~ Ducklings' open afternoon from 14:15-hometime.

Wednesday 30th March ~ Falcons, Hawks and Eagles open afternoon 14:15 – Hometime – postponed due to the lack of notice.

Wednesday 30th March ~ Dove Cottage are to spend the day with KS1 to follow up their learning from their visit about famous Cumbrians

Year 3 & 4 production ~ Thursday 31st March 14:00

Year 3 & 4 production ~ Friday 1st April 14:00

1st April ~ Easter Fun - Egg Hunt with Easter Bonnet/Tie competition. Non-uniform day £1:00 Interim Reports to be sent home

Break up for Easter.



Mothers' Day event (or a significant female). Helping Hands (our PTA) have led this event the past few years and are keen to make a success this year following COVID's interruption. The afternoon is planned to be split into four sessions with tickets available to be ordered using ParentPay.

The sessions are:



Session 1) 13:30-14:00, Session 2) 14:15-14:45, Session 3) 15:00-15:30 and Session 4) 15:45-16:15.

Your ticket enables you to receive a gift along with a drink and cake for you and your child.

So sorry that this didn't go out last week – our IT crashed in school!!! Because of this our planned open afternoons are to be moved to after the holiday. Dates of these will be detailed be on this Friday's newsletter.

Last week we held science week where the main theme was 'Growth' - investigating growth in humanity, construction, earth and space and all things in the world around us. The children have all engaged in different activities in school as part of the British Science Week.

We have sent each child home with a sunflower seed to enable them to take part in our whole school, 'Grow a sunflower' competition. We ask that the children plant their sunflower seed and care for it over the coming weeks and months.

In the summer term, we will be in touch again to ask you to send in a photograph of your child next to their grown sunflower and for you to be able to measure it. The tallest flower from each phase - EYFS, KS1, Lower KS2 and Upper KS2 will win a prize.

We hope that this will encourage the children to develop a love of gardening and caring for living things, as well giving them the opportunity to observe the different insects that their flower attracts to your garden.

Thank you for your on-going support with this.

Good luck and happy growing!! Mrs Catterall and Mr Thorpe

As in previous years, we have been finding about real-life scientists, what they do for us and the impact that they have on our everyday lives. In light of this, we invited any parents/carers/family members who currently work, or have worked, in the fields of science or engineering to record a short video of themselves talking about what they do. These videos have been shown to the children across school, throughout the week, to give them insight into the world of working in science and engineering. Thank you to those parents that have sent in videos.



The children have continued to access outdoor learning with Mrs Hicks. Over the week they have made their own ink using oak galls and then then have used the ink to write up what they have learned.

We are so pleased to see bit by bit, normal school activities are resuming: clubs, star of the week assemblies, trips, residentials, productions, open afternoons and visitors along with participating in sporting activities alongside other schools.

Our Star of the Week assemblies provide a lovely end to our week celebrating the successes that have taken place in each class around school. Our Head and Deputies and Prefects make this whole school event run so smoothly. The ease and confidence of our older pupils speaking to an audience is wonderful to see along with their having pride for our school was very noticeable at the opening of our infant play equipment which was opened on Tuesday by Mr Cadwallader (a PE lead teacher for our area and Governor) and our Sports' Captains. Together they demonstrated to our younger pupils how to play safely on the new equipment.







Mr Cadwallader then was able to present a trophy to our wonderful football team who won in the recent Year 3 and 4 tournaments held at Poolfoot Farm on the 4th March. Other local schools that took part have commented about their brilliant behaviour as well as their undefeated performance. They are apparently a team to watch out for!











Northern Taekwondo club that runs from our school each week took a team to the Manchester International Open Sparring Tournament last weekend and our Freddie F won Gold!

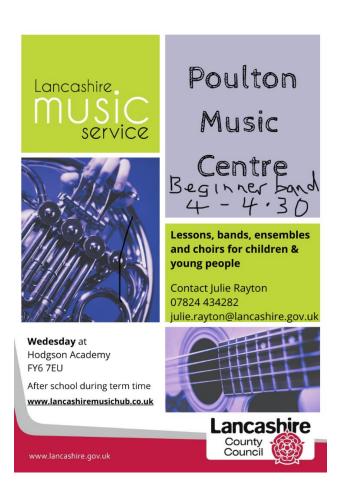
They also won the overall best club with 17 countries which is a fantastic achievement!

An ex pupil from quite a while ago has just made a place on the Polish Rugby Team. Carl L's older brother, Max will be appearing on TV this weekend. We are very proud of his achievement and wish him all the best for the upcoming game.

I am very proud to learn about: Isabella I for gaining distinction in keyboard and

Eve A for gaining distinction in piano.





We received this information this week: Beginner Band at Poulton Music Centre (run through Lancashire Music Service) based at Hodgson Academy on Wednesday 16th March, 4-4:30. The band is for beginners up to grade 2 of any instrument, age 7 upwards.

Those wanting to join will need their own instruments although there is an option to hire instruments. It will be led by a brilliant teacher Mr Dave Miller who has years of teaching experience in music.



Please have a browse in The Wing to look at 'Maggie's Rail' for any items you may wish to have to top up your uniform stash!

Attendance:

Well done to this week's stars!

Yellow Ducklings ~ Ruby C, Brown Ducklings ~ jack G, Herons ~ Matilda H, Parrots ~ Leinee, Robins ~ Jacob B, Owls ~ Jack H, Doves ~ Hunter W,

Kestrels ~ Codey P, Falcons ~ Amelie G, Hawks ~ Joel M, Eagles ~ Summer W.

