





## **British Legion Poppy Appeal**

Thank you to all those who have bought poppies, slap bands, wristbands, zip pulls and poppy reflectors as we approach Remembrance Day. Your support of The British Legion Poppy Appeal to help those who serve is very much appreciated.

### **County Hall Visit**

On Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, some of our School Councillors enjoyed a visit to County Hall. This was an exciting opportunity to visit the council chambers, see Lancashire archives, understand the role of local councils, improve their knowledge of democracy and see the inner workings of Lancashire County Council. Thank you to our local councillor, Barrie Yates, for organising this visit for us.

# Yoga Pupil Mental Health Day

Today, all our pupils have enjoyed some time to relax both their body and their mind during our yoga pupil mental health day. Every class has enjoyed time in the hall practising yoga with a yogi specialist. Isaac and Oliver, from Maple Class, talked enthusiastically about how they have performed a downward dog, tree pose and mountain pose.

### **Medium Term Plans**

Our new medium term plans, for this half term, are now available to view on our school website. Please find our medium term plans, under the website curriculum tab, to keep yourself fully informed with what your child will be learning during November and December.

### **Parents Evenings**

We look forward to celebrating your child's progress with you at our parents evenings on 29<sup>th</sup> November and 6<sup>th</sup> December. Letters will be sent out soon for you to let us know which day you are able to attend and your preferred time slots. Thank you.

## Lunchtime & After School Sports

We are delighted to be working with a local coach, Dan, to support our children's interests in the sport of football. Dan will be delivering football and multisport skills during Monday lunch times, which will be timetabled so that all year groups have access over the half term. He will then be leading a football club after school on Mondays, which is initially open to Years 4, 5 and 6.

Plans are underway to extend this provision if our children enjoy it. We plan to increase the sessions during lunch times and introduce further clubs for our younger children and a girls' football team. We are very excited about this opportunity.

Well done to our dodgeball team who took part in a competition at Lostock Hall Academy on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November. The team played lots of games, with good results, and developed their skills well during the competition, as well as having a great time.

Best of luck to our football team who are competing at Westholme School on 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November. We are sure you will represent our school well and enjoy the experience, including being served tea in the dining hall after the tournament! The team have also qualified to take part in finals of another competition on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Well done and good luck in the finals!

### **School Lunches**

Our school lunches, are extremely popular with more than a hundred pupils enjoying a school lunch every day. Lunches are available to book on ParentPay through to 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024. This includes a special Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party Buffet Lunch. Please log in and book, as far ahead as possible, ensuring that lunches for the first week in January are booked by the deadline of Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Ad-hoc, occasional lunch bookings are always welcome, if your child would like to try a particular meal.

### **Friends of Coupe Green**

#### Santa Dash - 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Our first Santa Dash takes place, after school, a week on Wednesday! If you haven't entered to run or walk, you're very welcome to stay and cheer everyone along. There will be hot drinks and cakes available to buy. We have ordered a couple of extra medals so, if you missed the deadline, please contact the office to enter. Please note these extra medals are very limited. Any completed sponsorship forms can be handed in at the office, in an envelope, with any money collected, by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

### Disco & Pumpkin Competition

Thank you for your support of our Spooky & Sparkly Disco. It was wonderful to see all the children dancing, playing games and having fun. Thank you also to those who entered the pumpkin decorating competition. We were blown away, as the standard was so high and it must have been a very difficult job for the judges to decide on the winners a big well done to all! A big thank you to grandparent, Christine Nickson, for her beautiful Autumnal display again, this year, which was the perfect backdrop for all the children's creative pumpkin designs.

### Friendship Bench

A huge thank you to Jo Hilton, Community Champion at Asda, and The ASDA Foundation, for their generous Better Starts grant donation. This has enabled FOCG to gift £472.50 to school, so we can purchase a friendship bench.

#### Christmas Fair - 2<sup>nd</sup> December

We're busy planning an exciting festive event for you all. So far, we have around 14 external stallholders confirmed, Hoghton in Harmony choir will be performing, lots of games, food, drinks and a very special guest has confirmed that he will be stopping by our Winter wonderland grotto! We are still looking for individuals or businesses to sponsor the fair. This could be to sponsor the grotto or as a general sponsor. You may

wish to sponsor a specific game or stall. Sponsors will receive special mentions across social media platforms covering both school and surrounding local areas. If you wish, banners and advertising can be displayed at the event, or you can remain anonymous. Sponsors can help with donations from as little as £30. Sponsorship helps to cover our expenses so that all the profits can go back to the children, supporting their learning experience.

## **Nasal Flu Immunisation**

This year's nasal flu immunisations will take place, in school, on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December. Please complete the flu immunisation consent form using the following link:

https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/1c b2a37f

The link will close on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November. If your child has their immunisation at their GP, or any details change after form completion, please contact Intrahealth on 0333 358 3397.

#### Art Club

Thank you to Mrs Smith, one of our teaching assistants, who is currently running an art club after school. Pupils are enjoying developing their sketching skills across a variety of tasks. The club has proved so popular that Mrs Smith has kindly offered to run another art club in the new year for those who weren't able to attend the current club.

### The Power Of Kindness

Recently, Maple Class pupils were delighted to shear about kindness in action, when Miss Littlefair and two of our lovely teaching assistants, Mrs Hull and Mrs Jones, rescued a baby blue tit!



Diary Dates	
Wednesday	3:00pm Friends Of Coupe
22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Green Santa Dash
Wednesday	3:30pm – 5:30pm Parents
29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Evening (1)
Saturday	1:00pm – 4:00pm Friends Of
2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Coupe Green Christmas Fair
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Elm Class Victorian Christmas Visit to Gawthorpe Hall
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Intrahealth Nasal Flu
Dec	Vaccinations in School
Wednesday	4:30pm – 6:30pm Parents
6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Evening (2)