

DUKE STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 8

3RD NOVEMBER 2023



Head Lines

READING PERCENTAGES

ACORN: 78%
ROSE: 37%
TULIP: 88%
ACER: 45%
REDWOOD: 79%
SPRUCE: 69%
MAPLE: 73%
BEECH: 62%
ROWAN: 30%
POPLAR: 46%
SYCAMORE: 55%
CHESTNUT: 50%

We had an amazing turn out of KS2 children attending our Spook Street at Duke Street reading event on Monday evening. The children enjoyed completing some craft activities while listening to a spooky story from our resident ghostly story teller. We hope the children have all enjoyed the book they came home with.

Congratulations to Acorn class who came second on Wednesday at a bowling competition with other local schools.

We have started this half term with an assembly led by Mr Stephens on developing our core value of 'Resilience'. The children explored how learning can be tricky but perseverance and resilience will result in better success. Classes have been challenged to look at strategies to further develop their resilience this week.

A reminder that parent consultations will be taking place on Tuesday. Please contact your child's class teacher to make an appointment if you haven't already done so.

WEEKLY
ATTENDANCE

ACORN: 80% ROSE: 87.9% TULIP: 86.8% ACER: 93.8% REDWOOD: 95.9% SPRUCE: 93.8% MAPLE: 97.7% BEECH: 97.4% ROWAN: 98.0% POPLAR: 93.6% SYCAMORE: 94.3% CHESTNUT: 94.5%



As a school, we value the support of parents in securing regular attendance and punctuality for our pupils. We know that children have the best possible chance of success when they are in school on time and engaging with daily learning.

We want to continue to work together with families and the local authority to raise our current school attendance figure so that we meet or exceed our school target of 96% and further reduce the number of pupils arriving after the start of the school day.

We will be continuing to hold attendance and punctuality panels to unpick barriers to families who are struggling to attend in order for us to work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for our pupils. We will also be inviting a member of the local authority attendance team to some of these meetings.

If we can help or support you with any punctuality or attendance issues, please get in touch with Rachel or Emma in our outreach team who will be very keen to work with you.





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TTRS England Rocks Competition

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England. The competition runs from 07:30 GMT Tuesday 14th November 2023 to 19:30 GMT Thursday 16th November 2023. It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com.

Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of 60-minutes per player. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60-minutes between 07:30 GMT and 19:30 GMT on 07:30 GMT Tuesday 14th November 2023 to 19:30 GMT Thursday 16th November 2023. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans.

OUTREACH NEWS/UPDATES/INFORMATION

Volunteer Training Programme:

This free training is open to anyone considering a volunteer role. It starts this Monday and runs for 5 weeks once a week from St Laurences Church in Chorley.

Please email wellness@stlaurencechorley if you are interested.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) information

For parents/carers of children with SEND or concerned regarding a possible need you can access all relevant information on the following link on our school website; <u>https://dukestreet-pri.lancs.sch.uk/about-us/sen/send-policy</u>

You can also contact the school office if you wish to make contact with Mr Reay (SENDCo) and an appointment can be made at a convenient time. Additionally the Local Authority have lots of useful information on the following links;

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-anddisabilities/getting-help/send-newsletter/

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-anddisabilities/things-to-do/break-time/

















Well done to our team from Acorn who came second in the bowling competition!









Our Book Reviewers with the books they reviewed...





Redwood enjoyed tasting and evaluation vegetables











Award Winners

CLASS	MATHS	ENGLISH	ICARE
Acorn	Bella	Lucas	Eren
Rose	Emily	Jenson	Harry
Tulip	Kobey-Dean	Frankie	Ella
Spruce	Tristan	Ciara	Leo
Acer	Layla	Isaac	Olivia
Redwood	Xander	Lucas	Theo
Maple	Thomas	Lydia	Ava-Rose
Beech	Alfie	Henry	Thomas
Rowan	Harrison	Oliver	Harleigh
Poplar	Jude	Bobby	Charlie
Sycamore	Dylan	Joshua Co	Ismail
Chestnut	Isaac	Rhys	Bryanie

KS1 Numbots Highest Coin Earners

1st: Zeynep from Redwood 2nd: Mason from Redwood

3rd: Lucas from Spruce 髄 🎼

KS2 T.T.R.S. Highest Coin Earners

1st: Yasin from Poplar

2nd: Mathew from Beech

3rd: Stephen from Chestnut

CLASS	THIS WEEK's ACTIVE MINUTES
Spruce	72
Acer	75
Redwood	20
Maple	55
Beech	60
Rowan	15
Poplar	20
Sycamore	35
Chestnut	15

Machine of Dreams Winner for 60 Reads None this Week

We would be very grateful of donations of pre read books for school







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DIARY DATES

<u>Tuesday, 7th November</u>: Parent Consultations from 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Monday, 13th November: Sean Perkins Author Visit (EYFS, Acorn, KS1 Assembly)

<u>Friday 17th November</u>: Children in Need (Non Uniform Day)

Thursday, 23rd November: Nasal Flu Vaccines

Monday, 11th December: Breakfast with Santa (EYFS)

Monday, 11th December: Year 3 Xmas Bingo 2.15 pm

Tuesday, 12th December: Year 4 Christmas Crafts 2.15 pm

Wednesday, 13th December: Christmas Dinner

Wednesday, 13th December: Year 5 Christmas Calendars 2.15 pm

<u>Thursday, 14th December</u>: West Midlands Children's Theatre Performance of Simbad The Sailor (during the school day)

Friday, 15th December: Enrichment Day

<u>Monday, 18th December</u>: Reception & Yr 6 Buddies – Xmas Songs around the Xmas Tree (pm)

<u>Wednesday, 20th December</u>: KS1 Xmas Play (pm)

<u>Thursday, 21st December</u>: KS1 Xmas Play (am)

(Further details will be sent out for the above events)

Friday, 22nd December: School closes at 2.15 pm (2.05 for Rose/Tulip)

Christmas Parties

<u>Monday, 18th December</u>: LKS2 (am).

<u>Tuesday, 19th December</u>: UKS2 (pm)

<u>Thursday, 21st December</u>: Reception (pm)

<u>Friday, 22nd December</u>: KS1 (am)

Children may wear their own clothes on party day but please be mindful of the weather













Community Links



There is a reak and growing concern of how many young people find it ok to share inappropriate images on line...







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