



Newsletter Friday 29th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Have you decided upon your advent calendar for this year? Which chocolate variety have you gone for? Sadly, I am old enough to remember when the only thing behind each advent window was a picture of something Christmassy. Not a piece of chocolate in sight. A picture or a sweet treat makes no difference, the anticipation of the slow countdown to Christmas day is wonderful.

Advent, for Christians, marks the start of the liturgical year, a time of anticipation and preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas. It's a season filled with hope, peace, joy, and love, all qualities that Christians associate with Jesus.

During Advent, in school we will engage in various practices to deepen our understanding and appreciation of this most special time of year. We will be;

- **Lighting Advent Candles:** Four candles are lit, one each week, symbolizing hope, peace, joy, and love.
- **Reading Bible Stories:** Every class will read Bible stories related to the birth of Jesus, such as the stories of Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds.
- **Acts of Kindness:** We will perform acts of service and kindness, emulating Jesus' love for humanity. For our children this will include our choir singing for the shoppers at Boundary mill and some Year 5 children going to Nelson Manor as part of the Cards for Kindness project.
- **Attending Church Services:** We will have our Christingle service in school and our usual brilliant end of term service in church, this year led by Years 3 and 4.

Through this time, we strive to embody the spirit of Christmas, a season of love, peace, and goodwill towards all.



This weeks Medal Winners are:

Zimmal	-	Year 1	- for super behaviour at lunch time
Tobie	-	Year 1	- for super behaviour at lunch time
Arminas	-	Year 1	- for super behaviour at lunch time
Noah	-	Year 2	- for a perfect piggy letter
Noah	-	Year 2	- for trying really hard in class and being a good friend - loving others - comforting a child who came into school upset
Ghulam	-	Year 3	- for sensational spelling
Shahwaiz	-	Year 3	- for sensational spelling
Alice	-	Year 3	- for sensational spelling
Mussadiq	-	Year 3	- for sensational spelling
Blake	-	Year 3	- for sensational spelling
Harry S	-	Year 3	- for magical music
Sara	-	Year 4	- for writing a super poem using fabulous vocabulary
Alican	-	Year 5	- amazing Art
Sam	-	Year 6	- for trying hard with his learning in History

Choir Dates-

The choir will be taken out of school on a couple of days in December to go Christmas Caroling in some stores. Please find below the dates and times of these events.

Wednesday 4th December at 1:30pm - Boundary Mill

Tuesday 10th December at 1:30pm - Boundary Mill

Wednesday 18th December - Nelson Manor House



Christingle Service

On Friday 6th December the school will be hosting our Christingle service.

Parents are welcome to join their children in class to help make the Christingles. Parents are welcome to join the class at 2:30pm. The Christingle service will begin at 3pm and parents are also welcome to watch the service.

Please can all Children bring in an Orange for their Christingle. The school will have spares for those who forget, but there won't be enough to go around.

We look forward to seeing you at the service.

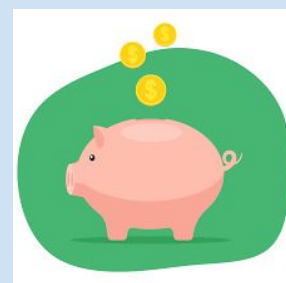
Breaktime Membership-

If your child has SEN and has a Breaktime Membership, then you are eligible for a Max Card. This Max card can provide discounts in various establishments and activity centres. Please have a read of the leaflet attached later in the newsletter for more information. You can also request a card by following this link:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/things-to-do/break-time

Asda Rewards School Cashpot -

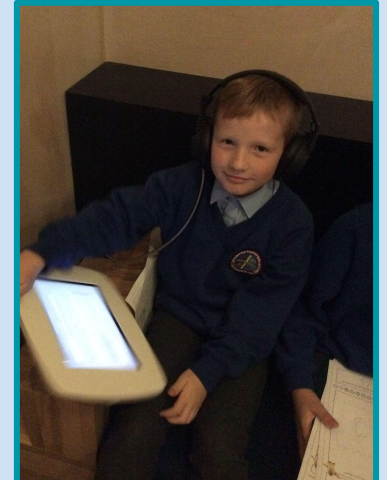
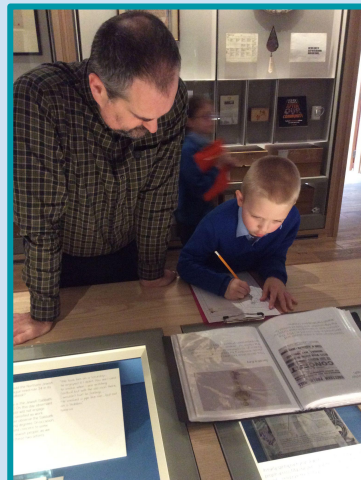
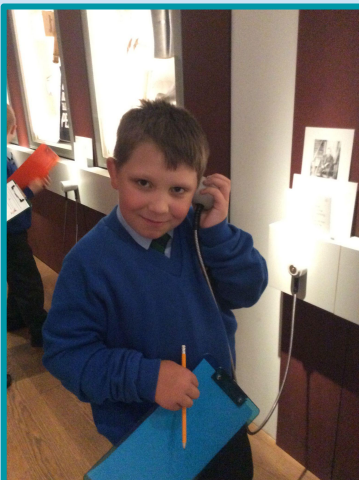
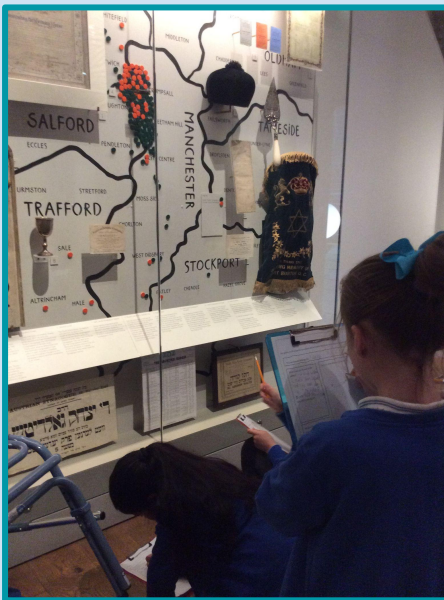
All members of staff would like to say a big thank you to everyone who used ASDA Rewards and nominated our school. As of 29th November the school community has raised £342.37, which is amazing! This money can be spent where it is needed most. On the children.



Manchester Jewish Synagogue -

Year 4 had the wonderful opportunity to visit the Jewish Synagogue and Museum in Manchester. I will let the children tell you what they learnt.

- We learnt that a synagogue is a holy place for Jews and they worship on a Saturday - Chloe
- The Torah is written left to right - Izyiah
- The Torah is so special it is kept in an Ark, with special decorations - Muqet
- Jews have 613 commandments in the Torah - Hudson
- The first half of the Torah is very very similar to Christian and Muslim holy books - Edward
- We saw a Tallit which is a robe with 613 tassels on it, you wear it when you pray and it reminds you of the commandments - Isla





Reception Church Visit -

On Thursday 14th November, our Reception class really enjoyed their trip to the Church. They saw a cross, the altar, the Bible, the font and even did a treasure hunt to find out new information about the church! Thank you to Reverend Lorelli for our very lovely visit!



Reverend Lorelli's Visit to Y2 -

As part of Interfaith week, Reverend Lorelli came into school and talked to Year 2 about prayer. We discussed why people pray, which people pray and how we can pray. We had lots of different stations set up in our classroom where we could try different types of prayer.





Year 1 and Year 2 visit to the local Mosque -

As part of Interfaith week, we visited the local mosque. The Imam talked to use all about how Muslims prayer in the mosque. We also watched and heard him call other Muslims in the local area to the afternoon prayer.

We learnt that Muslims pray 5 times a day, have four different prayer positions and are expected to attend the mosque as many times as they can in day to pray.



WHOOPS A DAISY MUSIC PRESENTS

Let's Go Sing!

AT THE OPERA HOUSE,
WINTER GARDENS, BLACKPOOL



MARCH 10, MARCH 11, MARCH 12

MARCH 13, MARCH 14 - 2025

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BUY YOUR TICKETS!



ALL CONCERTS START AT 6:30PM



Monday

Don't Fret: Guitar Lessons (Advanced)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 1PM - 2PM

Box Champions Non-Contact Mentoring

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 2PM - 3PM

Tuesday

National Careers Service Employment Support

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 9AM - 4PM

Pickleball, Badminton and Football

📍 Leisure Box, BB9 5NH
🕒 4PM - 5PM

Youth Club (16-24 years)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 5:30PM - 7:30PM

Lancashire Mind Drop-In Support for Wellbeing

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 12PM - 4PM

BFC in the Community Employment Support with Claire

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 12PM - 4PM

Wednesday

National Careers Service 1 to 1 Employment Support

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 12PM - 2PM

Games Room (Table Tennis, Pool and Gaming)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 2PM - 3PM

Walking Wednesdays

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 1PM - 2PM

1-1 Mental Health Wellbeing Support (Sarah)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 12PM - 3PM

Thursday

Lancashire Mind 1 to 1 Wellbeing Support (Colin)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 10AM - 4PM

New Housing Support - Positive Action in the Community

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 Available upon request

NHS Mental Health Drop-In Support (Leonie)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 3PM - 4PM

Burnley College Employment & Courses Support

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 1:30PM - 4PM

Gym Session

📍 Pendle Wavelengths, BB9 9TD
🕒 2PM - 3PM

Friday

Snooker and Pool

📍 Alexandra Snooker Club, 5 Holme Street Nelson
🕒 12PM - 1PM

Don't Fret: Guitar Lessons (Beginners)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 1:30PM - 2:30PM

1-1 Mental Health Wellbeing Support (Kieran)

📍 Pendle YES Hub
🕒 12PM - 3PM

! Booking required ✨ Fortnightly

For more information email DMarshall@activelancashire.org.uk or call 07859739635



Active Lancashire



Pendle Borough Council



Positive Action in the Community



Carers meet up



Carers meet up

Are you caring for a friend or family member and would like some support from the Carers Link staff or other unpaid carers?

Meet ups are once a month, 11am-1pm in the Lakeside café at Ball Grove Park. For more information call 01254 387444 or [email](#). [See more information](#).

Parkrun



Pendle parkrun: Saturdays 9am

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! Venture to Holt House Playing Fields, Colne.

[Get involved](#)

Stay active!



Safety Tips

Road Safety Week:

Find out what's happening and how to get involved.

Cycling safety tips:

Feel the benefits of outdoor cycling, even in the winter months with these [tips to stay safe](#).

Soft Play



Free Soft Play Room

Explore the free soft play at the Whitefield Family Centre, Maurice Street, Nelson, BB9 7HS. Open and available to book on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Please call 01282 470277 to book.

Pendle Leisure Centre



Pendle Leisure Centre Activities

Pendle Leisure Centre have lots of fun things you can try. From [inflatables](#), to [waves & slide](#), family sessions and a junior zone.

There really is something for everyone!

Times can vary, so please check their [timetable](#). You could also check out their family sessions in the gym on a Friday 6pm - 8pm.

Pendle Healthy Checkers



Pendle Healthy Checkers

Head to Pendle High Street, every 2nd Friday of the month at 3pm, for a free health check/chat. Cuppas available too!

See more on their [website](#), [Facebook](#), or call Bob on 01234 56789.



If you're a **Break Time member**, you can now get a free **Max Card**, giving you reduced or free entry to many UK attractions.

The **Max Card** is a discount card for families of children with additional needs. Families can save money on great days out at castles, zoos, bowling alleys, trampoline parks and many more.

Visit www.mymaxcard.co.uk to find out where you can use the **Max Card**.

Request a card at www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/things-to-do

You will need your child's **Break Time membership number** to request a **Max Card**.

