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11th November 2022

This week our attendance was...

91.3%

Oh no – let's get 96% next week!

Dear Parents/Carers,

We had a lovely remembrance service in school today where the children were truly wonderful. Jasmine also came to me with a poem she had written in her own time so I thought I'd share it with you all...



Poppys bloom

By Jasmine ~~~~~

Poppys bloom poppys bloom poppys bloom for me and you.

Things to remember in the past and in the future things to remember for me and you.

Soldiers have fought for me and you

Soldiers have foret for me and you.

Poppys bloom poppys bloom poppys bloom for me and you.

Happy remembrance day.

Odd Socks Day/Anti-Bullying Week/Children in Need:

We've another very busy week in school next week as we celebrate anti-bullying week all week. To kickstart the week we will be holding an odd socks day in school on Monday where we are encouraging children to come to school with odd socks on. Look out on Facebook for photos of the week!

Next Friday is also Children in Need so just a reminder that children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform with a £1 donation to the charity.

Dance Festival/Dance after school club:

Next week is the Blackpool dance festival where our children will be performing. We can't wait! If, you would like tickets please contact Mrs Birt for more details. This also means that there will be NO dance club after school next week.

Mereside Movers:

Welcomes Parents, Toddlers & Babies

to join our music & movement session on Wednesday 16th November, as part of our family support coffee morning: Please just come along to our children's centre from 8.45am - all our families are very welcome to join us, meet our support team and enjoy coffee + biscuits. You can also have a look at our recycled children's clothing & footwear, which is all free to take home 😊

3/4FB Christmas Carol Concert:

Class 3/4FB will be performing a Christmas Carol Concert on the Green (opposite Mereside shops) on Friday 9th December at 10.30am. This is in aid of Homeward Bound, a local charity dedicated to reuniting lost pets with their owners. The class have produced a flyer which I have attached to this newsletter. Your support would be very much appreciated!

Parent Governor Nominations:

You should now have received details on parent app on how to apply to be parent governor. If you haven't received the details, please contact the office on 761531 who would be happy to help. We'd love for you to join our team!

Nursery Rhyme Week:

Next week is nursery rhyme week in nursery which has been organised by our Community Reading Lead, Mrs Walsh. Further details and photos will be appearing on Facebook soon.

Parents:

Please see the attached flyer if you are interested with meeting up with other parents. If interested please contact Sarah Green directly on 07827 250094.

They will be running three groups for 9 weeks starting 17th/18th January

Tuesdays 10am-12pm KinCraig School, FY2 0HN

Wednesdays 10am-12pm The HealthWorks, FY1 1JD

Tuesdays 6-8pm Online using Google Meet ***

And finally, this week's superstars are...

Nursery – Esmae for making so much progress and speaking so much more. Well done Esmae!

RT – Raven for performing a solo in music with the maraquita and **Harper** for being such a good friend – Well done both of you!

RP – Brodie-Lee for being such a superstar and working so hard in phonics and **Maya** for singing a solo during our music lesson. You were so brave and have such a beautiful voice. Well done both of you!

1/2G – Hugo for trying so hard with his handwriting and literacy work this week and even practicing at home and **Lilly** for her role model behaviour this week and always being ready in class. Well done both of you!

1/2R – Hope for a positive change in her behaviour, being ready to learn and doing some fantastic phonics and **Corey** for working hard with his writing, even when it isn't easy. Well done - you are both superstars!

1/2M – James for trying hard in maths and **Luke** for trying hard in phonics – Well done both of you!

3/4FB – Harvey for giving 100% in all his Maths work and **Charley** for being an always superstar and role model – Well done both of you!

3/4P – Olivia for always being fantastic and **Dante** for always wanting an extra challenge in maths. Well done both of you!

5/6HP – Kayden for showing resilience whilst learning a new concept in maths and **Stephan** for always getting involved in class discussions. Well done both of you!

5/6JP – Olivia and **Ruby** for facing their fears and making fantastic progress in swimming and **Rio** for asking lots of questions and trying really hard. Well done both of you!

5/6W – Charlie for persevering with his learning and developing brilliantly and **Noah** for creating a superb biography on Neil Armstrong in literacy. We are so proud of you both!

A big well done to everyone!!

Upcoming dates for your diary:

Monday 14th November – Anti-Bullying week / odd socks day

Thursday 17th November – Year 5/6 visit to Lancaster Castle

Friday 18th November – Children in Need Day – Non-uniform £1

Monday 21st November – World Cup Week – Non- Uniform Day – football/sports themed/World Cup Lunch/Interschool Football Tournament

Thursday 24th November – Interclass football tournament

Friday 25th November – Inter school strictly dance competition

Tuesday 6th December – Early Years Production – 1.30pm

Wednesday 7th December – Early Years Production – 9.30pm

Thursday 8th December – Christmas Fair

Friday 9th December – Christmas Jumper Day / Panto visits school / 3/4FB Christmas Carols on the Green.

Monday 12th December – Early Years Christmas party

Tuesday 13th December – KS1 Production 1.30pm/Year 3/4 Christmas party

Wednesday 14th December – KS1 Production – 9.30am / Whole school Christmas Dinner

Thursday 15th December – KS1 and Year 5/6 Christmas party

Friday 16th December – Carol Service 9am – All welcome

School Closes for Christmas at 1.30pm

Stay safe and thank you for your continued support.

Ms S Upton
Headteacher

Coming up next week...

Anti-Bullying week and nursery rhyme week all week

Date	Event	Time
Monday 14 th November	Drawing Club – Years ½	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Choir – Years 1/2/3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday 15 th November P.E. - 5/6HP 5/6JP 5/6W 1/2G 1/2R 1/2M	Football Club - Years 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Recycling Crafts – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Craft Club – Reception	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Dance Festival Rehearsals – continued from last term	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Adventures in Bookland reading club – Year 3	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday 16 th November P.E. – 3/4P - Early Years	Commando Joes – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Dance Festival at the Winter Gardens	
Thursday 17 th November P.E. – 3/4FB 3/4P 5/6HP 5/6JP 5/6W	STEM book club – Years 5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Karaoke Club – Years 5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Schools Alive – Whole school but this needs a commitment to take part in the production at the Grand Theatre one evening in February.	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Art Club – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Year 5/6 trip to Lancaster Castle	All day
Friday 18 th November P.E. – 1/2G 1/2M 1/2R 3/4FB	Sewing – Years 3/4/5/6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Children in Need Day – Non-uniform for £1 donation	All day

Being A Parent



These fantastic free sessions are run by friendly local parents. They provide practical tips and advice on how to bring up confident happy and co-operative children.

The group lasts for 9 weeks and free childcare is available.

Time	Venue	Starting	Ending
10.00am – 12.00pm	Kincraig Primary School Kincraig Road, FY2 0HN	Tuesday 17 th January	Tuesday 21 st March
10.00am – 12.00pm	The HealthWorks 1 Clifton Street, FY1 1JD	Wednesday 18 th January	Wednesday 22 nd March
6.00pm – 8.00pm	Online using Google Meet	Tuesday 17 th January	Tuesday 21 st March

Topics covered include:

- Communicating with your child
- Understanding their behaviour
- Discipline strategies
- Listening skills
- Coping with stress

"The course wasn't what I expected at all. It's shown me that I'm not alone and given me the confidence boost I needed. I've learned there's no such thing as a perfect parent and my relationship with my son has grown so much stronger."

For more information or to book, contact Sarah Greene on 07387 250094 or email sarah.greene@blackpool.gov.uk



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3/4FB Christmas Carol Concert

Friday 9th December 10.30am

Please come and join us on the Green (opposite Mereside Shops) for an afternoon of carols, raising money in aid of Homeward Bound, a local charity dedicated to reuniting lost pets with their owners!

For further information please contact
Miss FB