

# NEWSLETTER

Learning Together, Achieving Together

Friday 13th June 2025



## A brilliant week at Mereside!

**Sports Week** - is finally here. We look forward to seeing you all for Sports Day on Thursday. Pupils can wear PE kit for the week.

**Phonics Screening Success** - We are thrilled to share the fantastic news that our Year 1 pupils have achieved superb results in the recent Phonics Screening Check! Their hard work, enthusiasm, and growing confidence in reading have truly paid off. We are incredibly proud of each and every child for their progress and perseverance. A huge thank you to our parents and carers for your continued support at home – daily reading practice and encouragement really make a difference! Let's continue building strong reading foundations together. Well done, Year 1!

**Year 4 Multiplication Check** - have completed the MTC this week with good results. We are also incredibly proud of their hard work and resilience they have shown. Well done Year 4!

**Uniform Swap** - If you have any old uniform that could be used in our new uniform swap shop, then please can you drop it off at the main reception office.

**Reception Induction Evening** - it was a delight to welcome our new families to school on Thursday evening. We are excited to expand the Mereside family in September.

Thank you for all your continued support

Kindest regards, Ms. Chapman

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Whole School 92.9%

Rec	90%	2R	97%	3B	89%	5M	97%
1M	92%	2P	92%	4D	98%	5D	85%
1G	91%	3D	97%	4B	97%	6B	91%

**Every child** ✓  
**In school** ✓  
**On time** ✓  
**Every day** ✓

# THE MERESIDE WAY

## Above and Beyond!

Tommy 2R   Amelia 3B   Lucy 5D   Tommy 6B   Archie 2P

Sapphire 3B   Rayna 3D   Darcy 5D   Jasmine 6B   Emi Rec

Mason Rec   Dottie Rec   Rory 2P   Athena 5M   Rico 2P

Emily Rec   Emilia Rec   Karlson 2P   Michaela 6B   Lillie Mae 2P

Well done to our pupils who have achieved above and beyond recognition this week!

## Important Reminders

Our school uniform includes the following footwear:



Crocs, sandals and open toe shoes **are not** allowed for health and safety reasons.



Next week: pupils can wear their PE kit each day for the week.

# OUR STARS OF THE WEEK



<b>Reception</b>	Isla-Rai for always being kind to others and for being ready to learn!
<b>1M</b>	Anai'yah for a fantastic effort in phonics.
<b>1G</b>	Amelia for her positive 'can do' attitude this week and for trying hard.
<b>2R</b>	Rea for excellent progress in reading and phonics!
<b>2P</b>	Raven- For writing an excellent story opener
<b>3B</b>	Saffy for ALWAYS going above and beyond in everything she does!
<b>3D</b>	Gracie R- for being a kind, caring and forgiving friend.
<b>4B</b>	River - for her resilience and perseverance whilst completing her assessments this week. She also brought joy to the room with 'doggy' and has been positive ray of sunshine!
<b>4D</b>	Ella - for being an incredible member of the class, always polite, always kind and just perfect in every way!
<b>5M</b>	Milly May - Lucas - for demonstrating Mereside Way all day.
<b>5D</b>	Nylah - for working hard on her handwriting and presentation.
<b>6B</b>	Lucas - for demonstrating Mereside Way all day.

# READING CORNER

Another exciting week has been had in terms of reading. Miss White has been working really hard and has started to scan and input all our fabulous library books on to a system so children will be able to easily find books at their reading level to take home!

## Baroness Floella Benjamin.

Years 1 -6 had their online meeting on Wednesday with the famous Baroness Floella Benjamin. Floella Benjamin is truly an inspirational figure! She has had a remarkable career spanning **acting, writing, broadcasting, and politics**. Born in Trinidad, she moved to Britain as a child and faced significant challenges but she persevered and became a beloved children's television presenter. It was fascinating to hear her talk about her life story and children thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Children across school have been working really hard and learning at a fantastic pace with RWInc phonics. They will all be assessed in a couple of weeks and we are all very excited to see the progress they will have made.



"If a child memorises 10 words, the child can only read 10 words. But if a child learns 10 sounds, the child will be able to read 350 three sound words, 4 320 four sound words and 21 650 five sound words."

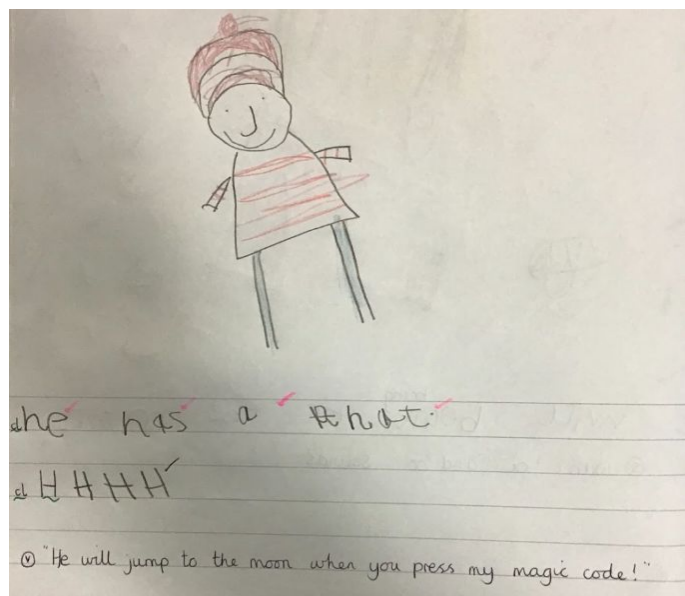
- Martin Kozloff, 2002



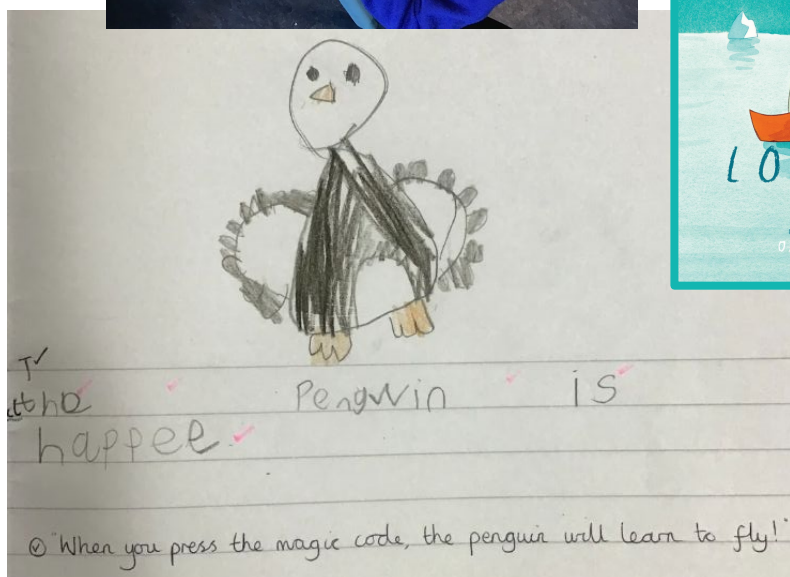


# CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT

In Reception this week we have been exploring the **polar regions**. We have watched videos, looked at maps and read stories to find out more about what it is like in the **North and South Pole**.



We have been reading '**Lost and Found**' in our Drawing Club sessions. Look at our **fabulous drawings and magic codes** that we have written about the characters!



Linked to our learning in maths, we made **2D shape penguins**. We each chose different shapes for the body parts and using our **fantastic fine motor skills**, we carefully cut around them and then stuck them together.







# CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT



We have been had a teddy bears picnic this week. We had to practice sharing the food fairly between the teddies.



The cubes were juicy strawberries, grapes and oranges. The animals were happy when they had the **same** amount on their plates... and then they guzzled them up!

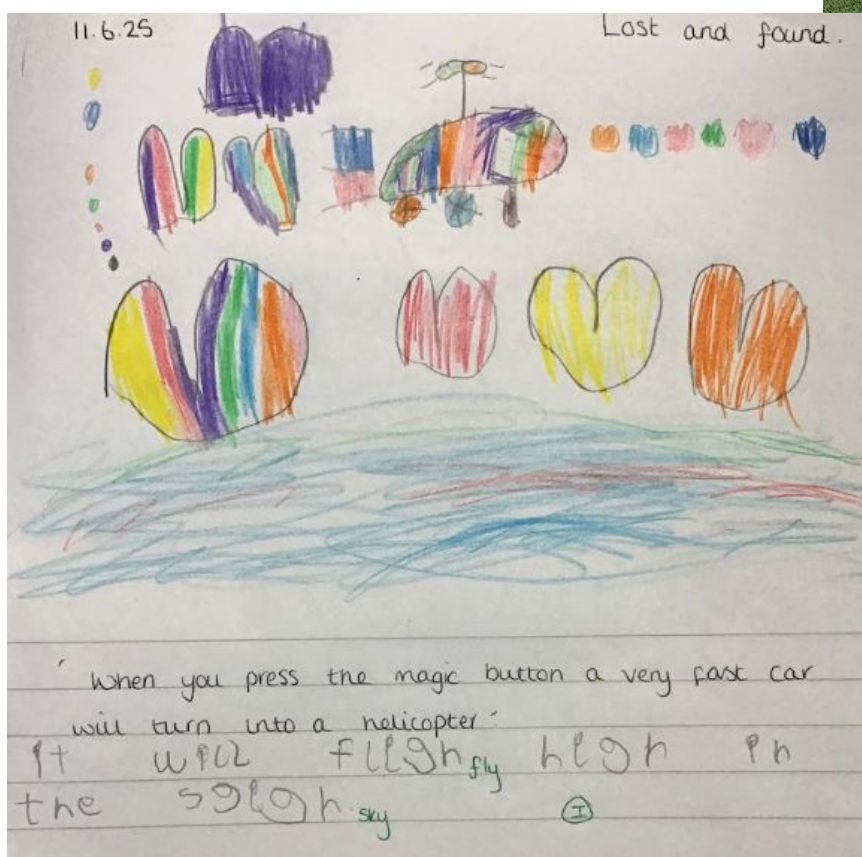
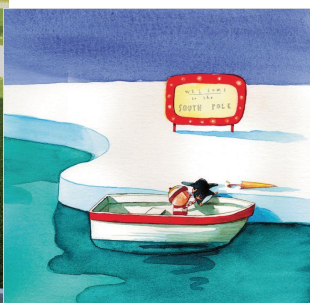




# CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT



We have been **super scientists** this week. We have been investigating different objects to see if they **float or sink**. We then used tin foil to make our own boats. We counted how many pennies the boat would hold before it sunk!



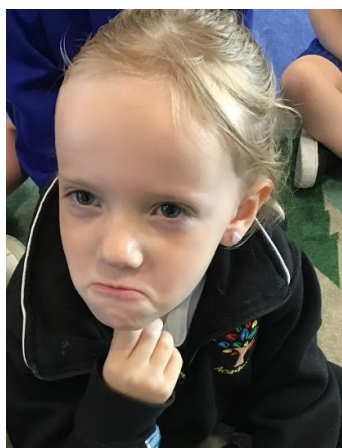
We invented new ways for the boy to get the penguin across the sea because his boat had sunk! Take a look at our fabulous ideas- we are so proud of our **drawings and writing!**





# CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT

We **love** learning new words! Come and ask us about the words we have been learning to use this week...



**Dejected-** *'It means you're very sad.'*



**Miniature-** *'Tiny!'*



**Accompany-** *'go somewhere together.'*



**Bewildered-** *'When you are confused.'*



**Constructed-** *'you have built something.'*



**Misplaced-** *'You can't find something. It is lost so you are looking for it.'*



# School Events 2024-25

## May 2025

<b>Mon 5th</b>	Bank Holiday (School closed)
<b>Mon 12th / Thurs 13th</b>	Y6 SATs week. (National testing)
<b>Mon 26th - Fri 30th</b>	Half Term holidays (School closed)

## June 2025

<b>Mon 2nd</b>	School Re Opens
<b>Mon 9th</b>	Y4 Multiplication Check (National testing)
<b>Mon 9th</b>	Y1 Phonics Screening starts (National testing)
<b>Mon 16th - Fri 20th</b>	Blackpool Youth Games Sports Day (Thursday 19th of June)
<b>Fri 20th</b>	World Music Day

## July 2025

<b>Wed 2nd</b>	Parents Quiz Night
<b>Thurs 3rd</b>	High School Transition Day (Year 6) *Not for St George's
<b>Thurs 10th</b>	End of Year Reports
<b>Wed 16th</b>	Letter to parents about new classes
<b>Fri 18th</b>	Moving Up Day
<b>Mon 21st</b>	Nursery Graduation
<b>Tues 22nd</b>	Whole School Awards Ceremony
<b>Wed 23rd</b>	Y5/6 Production 2.00pm
<b>Thurs 24th</b>	Y5/6 Production 9.30am
<b>Thurs 24th</b>	Y6 Leavers Event
<b>Fri 25th</b>	School Closes at 1.30pm

# SCHOOL

## Uniform

### It's that time of year again already!!

Uniform orders can start to be placed now ready for September 2025 return to school.

Please use your MCAS account to place your order and to make payment.

Orders should be placed and paid for in full by Friday 18th July in order to receive your uniforms before we break up for the Summer.

If you are struggling to access this or would like to pay in installments, please contact us at the school office where we will be able to help and support.



Item	Children Sizes Cost	Adult Sizes Cost
Royal Blue School Logo Jumper (Essential)	<b>£10</b>	<b>£14</b>
White School Logo Polo Shirt (Not essential)	<b>£8</b>	<b>£10</b>
Mereseide School Logo PE Jumper (Essential)	<b>£16</b>	<b>£18</b>
Mereseide Logo PE T'Shirt (Essential)	<b>£6</b>	<b>£7.50</b>
Royal Blue PE Shorts (Not essential)	<b>£5</b>	<b>£5</b>
Mereseide Logo Book Bag (Not essential)	<b>£7</b>	<b>N/A</b>



# SPORTS WEEK

MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> - FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

The children are really looking forward to our annual sports week.

We have an action packed week planned, with opportunities for the children to take part Commando Joes, Speed Staking, sports carousel, long distance running and of course....

## **our traditional sports day.**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

**Early Years 9:30**

**Key Stage One 10:30**

**Key Stage Two 13:30**

Pupils from year 1-6 are invited to take part in the Blackpool Youth Games road race. This will be held at Stanley park, starting at the athletics arena on

**Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Year 1 Boys = 4:30pm**

**Year 1 Girls = 4:45pm**

**Year 2 Boys = 5.00pm**

**Year 2 Girls = 5.15pm**

**Years 3 & 4 Boys = 5.45pm**

**Years 3 & 4 Girls = 6.00pm**

**Years 5 & 6 Boys = 6.15pm**

**Years 5 & 6 Girls = 6.30pm**

We look forward to seeing as many pupils taking part as possible!





LANCASHIRE MUSIC SERVICE

# LANCASHIRE SINGS WITH THE NATIONAL YOUTH CHOIR

A DAY'S WORKSHOP  
AGE 8+

SIGN UP!



NATIONAL  
YOUTH CHOIR



**AKS LYTHAM**

SUNDAY 13TH JULY 10-3.30

SIGN UP TODAY

[WWW.LANCASHIREMUSICHUB.CO.UK](http://WWW.LANCASHIREMUSICHUB.CO.UK)



**Lancashire**

County  
Council

