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Autumn Newsletter 6

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

11th October 2024

17.10.24 - School closes for Half term
18.10.24 - Inset Day - School closed
to pupils

28.10.24 - School opens

15,11,24 - Children in Need

20.12.24 - School closes for Christmas

#### Sign of the week



This week's sign is 'yellow'. The school looked vibrant on Thursday to support Mental Health awareness day!

Congratulations
to classes 1A,1H,3B
and 4B
for 100% attendance
this week.
Whole school
attendance is 93.9%



Next week will be a very exciting time at PCA as we welcome some celebrities!

On Tuesday afternoon Sir Bill Beaumont (former England rugby captain) will be coming to officially open our new pirate ship. This has been fully funded by the Wooden Spoon Charity which funds lifechanging projects for children and young people across the United Kingdom.

On Thursday afternoon we will be welcoming three of the Nolan sisters who will be handing over our brand new minibus which has been funded by the Variety Club and our very own FOPCA.

Needless to say, the band, choir and cheerleaders have been busy 'getting in the mood for dancing' and will all be performing at this event.

Please keep your eye on our social media for photographs of these exciting events.



Congratulations to Miss Hanlon on the birth of her baby boy.

#### PCA Talent Show

On Wednesday 16th October it is the PCA Talent shows: KS1 and 2 at 1:30-2:30 and KS 3 and 4 at 10-11 am

The groups performing in the Key Stage Two Talent Show are
Joseph - singing
Charlotte - dancing
Victoria - singing and dancing
Amber, Aylssa and Caitlin -Dancing
Millie, Shania and Scarlett- Singing
Max, Byron and Isabel - Singing

The pupils performing in the Key Stage 3 Talent Show are
Cailtin- Singing
Lacy and Violet – Dancing
River- Dancing
Abi - Gymnastics
Logan- Singing



Kalesi and Izzy – Singing and Dancing Frank – Playing piano Well done to everyone who auditioned!

## Halloween Goodies

5M are selling Halloween goodies as part of their Enterprise lessons. Goody bags containing a snap band, a stamp, a sticker and a false tattoo in a Halloween bag are £1 and snap bands are 50p each. They are available from the office while stocks last!





#### **Harvest**

Today we celebrated Harvest and thought about people who are not as fortunate as us.
Thank you to everyone who has sent in donations for Street Life. We know they will be very much appreciated.







Blackpool Autism Partnership is working to improve the lives of autistic children, young people, and adults in our local area.

Find out more by coming along



Have your say at the Forum

**Make a difference** by joining a Working Group



Contact us



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# Occupations Dressing Up Box.

Thank You for your generous donations!

We would like to extend our thanks to all of our wonderful parents for their generous donations to our "Occupations Dressing Up Box." Your contributions have been invaluable in enriching our pupils' learning experiences. The "Dressing Up Box" is now a treasure trove of uniforms and accessories. Thanks to your donations, our pupils have been able to explore different occupations to support Preparation for Adulthood.

We still welcome donations sent into school with pupils addressed to Miss Thompson or dropped off at the front office.

Thank you again!

#### **Monster Hunt**

#### 28 October - 3 November 2024

Blackpool's rooftops are coming alive! The all-new Monster Hunt will be one of the big attractions in the town's extensive Halloween By The Sea celebrations. From Monday 28 October to Sunday 3 November, prepare for an epic invasion as 10 giant monsters take over buildings around the Golden Mile and nearby town centre. Your mission? Hunt them down during the day or when they illuminate at night. Keep your eyes peeled for these hilarious, larger-than-life creatures and enjoy this spectacular free trail for all ages over the Halloween period. Pick up a free Monster Map from the Tourist Information Centre at Festival House on the Promenade or view online nearer the event start date. For more information, head to: http://www.visitblackpool.com/monsterhunt





### Veggie spag bol recipe

This easy vegetarian spaghetti bolognese is packed with vegetables, making it healthier and very tasty too.

Prep: 20 mins Cook: 35 mins Serves 4

#### **Ingredients**

300g frozen vegetarian mince
1 large onion, chopped
2 garlic cloves, crushed
1 teaspoon red (or green) chopped chilli
2 celery sticks
1 carrot, chopped
1 aubergine, finely chopped
1 cube reduced-salt vegetable stock with 400ml boiled water
1 can chopped tomatoes
2 teaspoons dried Italian mixed herbs
2 tablespoons tomato purée
200g mushrooms, sliced
250g dried wholemeal spaghetti
1 pinch ground black pepper





#### Method

Heat a large heavy-based saucepan. Add in the frozen vegetarian mince, onion, garlic, chilli, celery, carrot, aubergine and vegetable stock. Bring to the boil.

Substitute different vegetables, such as peppers, leeks, courgette or fine green beans.

Add the tomatoes, dried herbs, tomato purée and mushrooms. Stir well. Simmer, partially covered, for 25 to

30 minutes, adding a little extra water if needed. Season with pepper.

Make a meat version with 300g extra-lean minced beef, dry-frying it in the saucepan until browned, then adding the rest of the ingredients.

About 15 minutes before you want to eat, cook the spaghetti in plenty of boiling water for 10 to 12 minutes, or according to pack instructions. Drain well, share between 4 warm plates and top with the Bolognese sauce.

Try reducing the quantity of spaghetti and pair it with cooked strips of carrot and courgette to add even more vegetables to it.

## Star of the Week

1C - Declan for great
engagement in our Maths lesson '5
cheeky monsters jumping on the
bed' and using numerals with
adult prompting to communicate
how many were left.

1P - Teddy for making requests using symbols at breakfast time.

1B - Cleo for her super signing and singing with our "finishing song".

1A - Charlie for showing great resilience and having a fantastic first half term.

1H - Aiden for joining in with circle times and adult-led activities.

2E - Jake for great Maths work.

2C - Oliver for great enthusiasm when using maps.

2M - Renzo for amazing counting forwards and backwards from 20!

2R - Harry-Blu for super reasoning in Maths.

2W - Leanne for working hard to continue patterns in Maths.

26 - Connor for super answers in Maths.

2A - Shania for being kind, caring and an all-round superstar.



## Achiever of the Week

- 3J Riley for his enthusiasm in PE this week.
- 3H Lucas for giving wonderful contributions to his group work in English.
- 3L Franklin for completing great phonics work.
- 3C Lottie for looking after her own well-being and her peers.
  - 3R Jamie-Lee for working towards improving his attendance.
- 3S Aaron for being incredibly generous with his harvest donations!
  - 3T- Daisy for answering lots of questions in class.
  - 3B Ryley for doing so well in his initial Travel Training.



- 4M Robbie for increased confidence in English Entry Level coursework and positively contributing to class discussions.
- 4J Archie for being super helpful and responsible during D of E volunteering.
- 4W Sophie for her resilience and increased confidence in Maths.
- 4H Frank for a positive learning attitude in all lessons this week.
- 4B Madison for some great answers to questions in Humanities.
- 5J Sophie for applying to become a shop volunteer with Trinity Hospice.
- 5TG Jasmine for helping her friends across a variety of lessons.
- 5I Kamron for attaining his gold medal for his music contributions to PCA!
- 5M Elle for making contributions in class and being kind to her friends.

### Classroom News



## KSI

Today we are recognising World Mental Health day. During our Attention Autism circle time, we looked at something yellow the sun. At the table, the children painted their own sun and stuck a photo of their face on it because, 'We are little rays of sunshine, here to brighten your day.'



1H have been working hard in Maths this half term learning about circles and triangles. Pupils have learnt to identify and name the shapes, compare the number of sides they have, find circles and triangles in the environment and sort shapes using different criteria e.g. colour, size or shape. Keep up the good work 1H!









In 2M this week, we had a super special delivery of a new Dark Den! We loved exploring our new light up projector, immersing ourselves under the sea, in the night sky and in a jungle! This helped us with our Science, where we looked at light and dark to support our Space investigations. I wonder what you can spot in the night sky?

Class 3L have been looking at onomatopoeias and have attended a virtual workshop from the children's Laureate Joseph Coelho. After considering the types of sounds you would hear at the zoo, they worked together as a class and each created a line of a wonderful poem. Enjoy!



**Zoonomatopoeia poem by Class 3L** 

The splash of a black and white penguin diving into crystal clear water.

The whoosh of the crispy-leafed trees shaking in the calm breeze.

The crying of a devastated toddler looking at his fallen ice cream treat on the pavement.

The drip of the heavy raindrops falling from the miserable grey sky.

The bang of a silver metal cage door against an animal's enclosure.

The clap of an entertained audience impressed by the tricks on display at the sea lion show.

The roar of the majestic fierce lion hungry for his fresh juicy meal.

The flap of a mischievous seagull attempting to obtain stolen food from the rubbish bin. The crack of the bone carcass crunching within the teeth of an intimidating stripy tiger. The honk of the salmon flamboyance of flamingos as they pierce the air with their sound.

The munch of the rough-haired capybara snaffling the luscious green grass.





















This week 4M have shown fantastic culinary skills as they made the perfect omlettees. Working in small groups students watched a quick demonstration, then completed the task with minimum staff input, showing their increasing confidence and independence in the kitchen. Well done 4M!





5M have been busy creating some Halloween products for their Enterprise subject. We have researched and sourced products, looked at cost and profit and put the products together ready to sell across school.