



SAMLESBURY Church of England Primary School

Learning, Growing & Inspiring others through God's Love and Grace

Our Christian
Value this half
term:

Thankfulness

**'Let your light shine so that together in
God's Love and Grace we learn, inspire
others and grow'**

**FRIDAY UPDATE
21st January 2022**

**This half term's bible
verse:**

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7

YEAR 2 MULTISKILLS WORKSHOP

Today our year 2 children are having an afternoon of multi skills with our South Ribble Sports Partnership coaches. They have been learning and developing a range of skills and finding out more about how sport is fun, for everyone and keeps you fit, healthy and happier.

YEAR 3/4 OLIVE SCHOOL SPORTS VISIT – MONDAY 24TH

Please can all children in year 3/4 wear PE kit for Monday for their visit to the Olive School for an afternoon of sport. If there are any further cases of Covid in either class (here or at the Olive School) the trip will be postponed.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Mrs Critchely will be back in school next week (hurrah!) and school lunches will return to normal. Thank you for your understanding over the last ten days while we've had 'packed lunch' style lunches provided due to staffing pressures with the Lancashire Catering Team.

YEAR 6 ROAD SAFE WORKSHOP



On Wednesday, Year 5/6 will be having a talk from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service on the theme of road sense. These talks are always very informative and add to our PSHE/citizenship learning in school.

Year 2 have also had a road safety talk from the Fire Service which Year 3 joined in with as they missed their talk due to lock down last year.

UNITED BENEFICE - LITTLE ANGELS PRE-SCHOOL GROUP



All pre-school children, toddlers and babies from Balderstone, Mellor & Samlesbury are invited to come along, with an accompanying adult, to St Mary's Church, Mellor, on Tuesday, 25th January from 2:15pm—3:15pm for Little Angels. During this hour, there is the opportunity for children to play with toys, listen to a story and enjoy a craft activity with their carers. All are most welcome for an hour of friendship and fun! If anyone can't stay for the full hour until 3:15pm, due to collecting older children from school, that's fine too - you are

welcome to just stay as long as you can. If you would like any further details, please contact

unitedbeneficebms@outlook.com.

READING CHALLENGE AWARDS

INFANTS: Well done to **Leo (Y1)** for achieving his **Bronze Year 1 Reading Award!**



KS2 are all working towards their targets to boost their reading rockets up on the Reading board in KS2. Please take time to encourage your child in their reading; talk with them about their books and what they could read next. Reading is a brilliant pastime and we want all our children to love reading too whatever stage they are at.

FREE ENGLISH SESSION FOR PARENTS



Dandelion Learning are running two 45-minute sessions for parents / carers of primary aged children. The first is on **Thursday 17th February** and is called '**Getting to Grips with Grammar**' which aims to cover grammar terminology which your child(ren) will encounter at Samlesbury. The second is all about how to support your child by developing and encouraging reading. It's on **Wednesday 30th March** and is called '**Raising a Reader**'. Both are evening sessions run via Zoom so you don't even need to leave the comfort of your own home!

Here are the links - <https://www.dandelionlearning.co.uk/helping-parents-with-home-learning-getting-to-grips-with-grammar/> and <https://www.dandelionlearning.co.uk/raising-a-reader-top-tips-for-parents-to-foster-a-love-of-reading-free-training/>

If you can't make these dates but are interested in the training, they are offering further sessions later in the year available on the same links.

PUPIL COUNCIL UPDATE

Last year the pupil council, with input from all classes and staff, decided that school would have our own school charity we would particularly support. **St Catherine's Hospice** was chosen due to the impact it has on so many families in the local area who benefit from their amazing work at very difficult times.

The first event the pupil council are running to raise money for our school charity is a **Pancake Breakfast** on **Shrove Tuesday (1st March)**. Breakfast club will still be running that day - children who normally attend can choose a pancake breakfast if they wish but an extra donation of £2.00 is requested to cover the costs and raise money – **this needs to be pre-booked by 23rd February.**

The **cost of the breakfast is £3.50**. Places and payment must be **pre-booked** for catering purposes – please contact Sandra in the office to do this.

Children can arrive any time from **8.00am** with the latest arrival time being **8.25am** so that pancakes can be eaten and children make it to class in time!



STARS OF THE WEEK & HEADTEACHERS AWARD



Infant Class: Bea (YR)

Year 3/4: Robert (Y3)

Year 5/6: George (Y6)

Head teacher's Award: Leo (Y1)

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS



If your child has an achievement they would like to share and celebrate with everyone in school, we'd love to include it in the Friday Update.

This week Grace passed her STANley level 4 at swimming and is now practicing without the use of armbands. She has worked really hard to develop her skills over the last couple of months and is able to confidently complete all aspects of level 4! Well done Grace!!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Thursday 10th Feb – finish for half term (Friday 11th is an INSET day and children are NOT in school)

Tuesday 1st March – St Catherine's Hospice charity Pancake Day breakfast from 8am (this must be pre-booked and paid for).

Thursday 3rd March World book day – we've visiting authors and lots of activities planned for the day and as always there is a dress up theme. This year we'd like everyone to come from a character from the bible. There are an amazing range of characters from soldiers, kings and queens to all the well-known characters such as Daniel, Moses, Miriam, Esther etc. There's a character for everyone.

Friday 18th March – Red Nose Day: come to school dressed in red and wear a red nose too if you want to. £1 donation.

Tuesday 22nd March – Year 5/6 to visit Gawthorpe Hall for a Shakespeare themed morning.

Wednesday 30th March – the annual decorated egg competition. Boil up some eggs and decorate. Prizes for all classes. No cost to enter.

Thursday 31st March – the whole school is going to watch Gangsta Granny at the theatre in Blackpool.

Friday 1st April - End of term Easter service and progress award presentation 9.15am in St Leonard the Less Church.

Friday 1st April – break up for the Easter holidays.

Tuesday 19th April – return to school.