



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
4th February 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 3/4 CAKE SALE FOR TIMEST TABLES ROCK STARS – WEDNESDAY 9TH FEB AFTER SCHOOL



At the end of the day, on Wednesday, year 3/4 are holding a cake sale to raise money to buy Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) as they love it so much! Their target is £46; anything extra will go to purchase more class reading books. I do need to add here that we do have lots of amazing resources in school

but this is an extra resource that the children want hence the fund raising. It's been a valuable experience for the children to know that there isn't always money for everything they'd like, but they can create the opportunity to find the resources to make a difference. I do hope that you will support the cake sale on Wednesday so that Year 3/4 can get TTRS (the APP can also be accessed at home to support their learning at home too).



FOSS CHOCOLATE MINI HAMPER RAFFLE – THURSDAY 10TH FEBRUARY



Just for fun using the remainder of the donated chocolate from the Christmas Fair, FOSS have created a chocolate hamper which will be raffled off on Thursday before we break up for half term. Tickets are a £1 each. The hamper will be on display in school all week. Tickets are available from Sandra.

FOSS MEETING



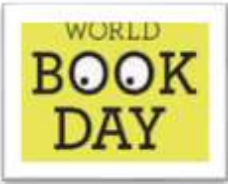
Thank you to everyone who attended the FOSS meeting on Tuesday evening this week in school. Kirsty and Sam had a great first meeting as our new FOSS secretaries. There was lots of discussion about what FOSS would do to help raise the money for the extras for the children – for the first time in two years there have been no restrictions which was brilliant! There are lots of events coming up so please do check out [DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES](#) and make a note so you don't miss out. If you'd like to know more about being involved with FOSS do get in touch with them – new members are always welcome. You can be involved as much or as little as you want.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES – there is a lot coming up!



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 – please see previous newsletters for details).



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.

You could recycle/upgrade/adapt a costume which has previously been worn with different accessories!



Thursday 3rd March FOSS World Book Day Film Evening – straight after school FOSS are holding a film night. The film will be based on a book by a famous author as it's World Book Day. The cost is £4 and includes a drink and popcorn. It starts straight from school and ends of 5pm.

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.



Friday 25th March – FOSS Beetle Drive – Yes it's back! FOSS are holding the annual Samlesbury Beetle Drive in school 6-8pm. The cost is £15 per family, £5 per adult and £3 per child. This includes a drink and a hot pot/cheese and onion pie supper.



Wednesday 30th March – the annual decorated egg competition. Boil up some eggs and decorate on a theme. 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

Thursday 28th April – FOSS summer term meeting, 7.15pm in the school hall.

Thursday 26th May – FOSS organised school sponsored walk for the Queen's Jubilee (families are welcome to join us) to raise money for a much needed covered pergola for the infant's outdoor area. This will take place in school time. Full details of the route and times will follow closer to the time. All children will receive a commemorative Platinum Jubilee medal for completing the



walk.

READING CHALLENGE AWARDS



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.

HOTHERSALL LODGE AND TOWERWOOD VISITS



Residential visits have been affected by the pandemic with reduced provision from many providers along with a backlog of visits to accommodate. It's also been the right time to review what we provide so that we can offer a wider range of opportunities and experiences for our children. With all this in mind, just Year 6 have a two day residential to Hothersall Lodge further up the Ribble Valley 30th June and 1st July. There will also be a trip to London this year for both year 5 & 6 – this has yet to be arranged as we're waiting for the summer term parliament workshop dates to be released.

In the new academic year, Year 5/6 will be travelling up to Tower Wood for a five day residential on Monday 12th September 2022; this will take place every other year with a visit to London the alternate year.

Year 3/4 will have longer day visits each year rather than a residential although these still may happen depending on what happening in the curriculum.

A letter for both residential visits will be sent out on Monday and payment for both visits can be made on Parent Pay from Monday 7th February.



HALF TERM HOLIDAY FAMILY SUPPORT



For families who have received Holiday Lunch Club food parcels in the past, extra support is available during February half term by means of lunch club food parcels or similar, please email the team at covid19support@southribble.gov.uk with your name, address, contact telephone number, number of children and a brief outline of support you require – please make sure you state Holiday Lunch Club in your e-mail. One of our South Ribble Together team will contact you to arrange your food parcel(s) and look at other ways we can help you. Edenred food vouchers will be provided by LCC for families who have received them previously.

ONLINE SAFETY PARENT INFORMATION: TIKTOK



TikTok is one of the most downloaded apps in the world. The video-sharing platform can provide hours of entertainment and encourages users to make their own short 'pop-style' videos which they can edit and share with the world. Use the link below to take you to National Online Safety where you can sign up for a free account and access their

comprehensive guide for parents.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/what-parents-need-to-know-about-tiktok>

CHURCH NEWS – UNITED BENEFICE (UB) OF SAMLESBURY, MELLOR AND BALDERSTONE



If you would like to be kept up to date with what is happening in our benefice and in Samlesbury Parish, please use the Facebook links below:

<https://www.facebook.com/BMSBenefice>

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Leonard-the-Less-Samlesbury-105980911883716>

You can also sign up to receive the Benefice magazine, which is published at the start of each month. If you would like to receive it, please email the office and they will add you to the email list – the magazine will be forwarded from school and your contact details will not be shared with any other parties.



STARS OF THE WEEK & HEADTEACHERS AWARD



Infant Class: Jude (Y2)

Year 3/4: Willow (Y3)

Year 5/6: Maisie (Y6)

Head teacher's Award: George (Y6) Lilly (Y3)

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS



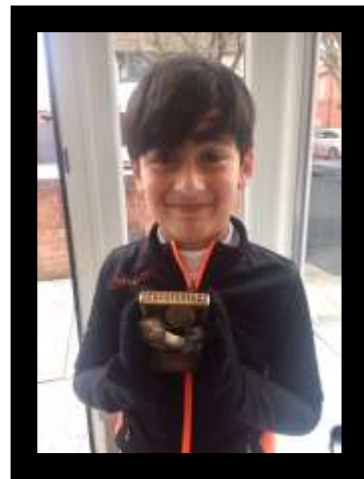
If your child has an achievement they would like to share and celebrate with everyone in school, we'd love to include it in the Friday Update.



A massive well done to Emelia who passed her jujitsu grading last weekend. She is now a brown and white belt!



Jude has achieved his 100m badge at swimming club – well done Jude!



Zak won the 'Best Player of the Game' award at his football session at Preston United last weekend. What a fantastic achievement Zak!



Alexia got 2nd place tap, 3rd place ballet, 4th place tap and 5th ballet in a North West dance competition. We are very proud of her as she entered 4 dances and got trophies and medals in all 4. Well done Alexia!