

WELCOME BACK! There is lots on this half term so please do have a good read of the newsletter today and every week to keep up to date with what's on.

NEW SCHOOL RUNNING TRACK – Over the half term holiday a school running track has been installed. This has been funded by money which schools receive from the government which has to be spent on developing sports participation and enjoyment for all pupils. We're delighted that on Tuesday next week Deepdale Duck from Preston North End will be coming to officially open our track! The children have loved using the track this week and from next week, each day everyone in school will be running/power walking for 10 mins a day as part of the Mile a Day initiative. The track is 1/10 of a mile long so the children will be able to track the distance they run and achieve awards!

ROLLING START – thanks to everyone for making the new starting system this week a real success. The children are in and settled by 8.50am and all the staff have commented on how well the children are starting off the day.

FAMILY WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY – This Sunday, 3rd March, it is Family Worship at St Leonard's. 'If you went to Hogwarts you can learn how to do spells to transfigure others, just like Harry Potter; but how does Jesus transfigure us?' Come along and find out! Come and join us at Morning Praise on Sunday at 11am.

TEAM POINT WINNERS – Well done to the **Blue team** for being team point winners last half term!

INTERNET SAFETY UPDATE – You may have heard about a recent problem on the internet called Momo. This is sweeping across the country and is aimed at children. There is a link below to the national online safety site which will take you to their parents information leaflet. Please do take the time to see what your children are looking at on the internet as this game has cropped up embedded in items suitable for younger children e.g. Peppa Pig. Thank you.

nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platformguides/momo-online-safety-guide-for-parents/

WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 7TH MARCH – Come to school dressed as a book character! Everyone in school will be dressing up and taking part in book related activities. Please read the back of the newsletter to find out what else is happening.

PARENT'S EVENING(S) – Reminder that this Wednesday (and Thursday for the infant class) is parent's evening.

Worship Theme: RESPECT & REVERENCE

DIARY DATES -

1st March: Pupil led worship at 2.45pm – all welcome.

3rd March: Family worship in church.

4th March: Book Week – all this week we will be focusing on reading and books. Keep an eye out for more activites to come and we have an author visiting school this week too!

6th March - Parents Evening.

7th March – Extra Parents Evening **Infants only 3-4.30pm.**

7th March: World Book Day. Children to come dressed as their favourite book character.

15th March: Comic Relief Day. 27th March: School Photo Day.

28th March: A special **whole school** Mother's Day lunch 12pm. Booking forms will be out soon.

29th March – Whole school themed day based on each classes topics.

4th April: End of term worship and with end of term progress awards.

5th April: Easter Bonnet Competition. Create an Easter bonnet and bring to school! Prizes to be won!



SAMLESBURY SUPERSTARS!

LILY (YR)
FRANKIE K (Y2)
MAISIE (Y3)
ALEXA (Y6)
HEADTEACHER AWARD:

POPPY (Y2)



Well done to you all for your outstanding achievements this week! Children will receive their certificates on Friday next week **SCHOOL PHOTOS** – The school photographers (Tempest) are in school on 27th March to take pupil and class photos. At 8.30am they will take photos for those of you who have pre-schoolers and would like a family picture with their older siblings in school. If you would like to do this please let Sandra know in the office so we have an idea of numbers. Thank you.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIERS - You may remember that before Christmas our school uniform suppliers had gone into administration and we were looking for a new supplier. However, the new owners of School Trends have made a positive start and have asked previous customers to stay with them which we are going to do. If you need uniform the process is exactly the same as before.

TUESDAY FOOTBALL/SPORTS TRAINING – Pick up time for this club will now be 4.30pm. It's fantastic to see so many of our children loving playing sport on a Tuesday. With ballet on Thursday we now have nearly half the school participating in after school sport once a week!

KS2 HARRY POTTER NIGHT – What a magical night was had by our KS2 children last night! Thank you to FOSS for putting on a great evening of fun, games, food and everything Harry Potter related!

COMIC RELIEF 2019: FRIDAY 15TH MARCH – Come to school in non uniform for a £1 donation. We're also going to be having a Great Samlesbury Bake Off – please bring in cakes and biscuits which we'll sell during the day as a playtime treat and at the end of the day from 3.00pm to parents/carers.



WORLD BOOK DAY - Next Thursday is World Book Day but there is lots going on during the whole week too.

Years 1 -6 will be writing fictional diary entries. Their work will be entered into a national competition and if their work is selected by the judges, it will be published in a book.

To celebrate reading, we will be running a book swap for children and parents throughout the week. If you have any books at home, which you have already read or no longer want, please bring them into school; you can then choose a new book to read, donated by someone else.

All the children will be given an entry form to design the cover for the front of the National Book Token for next year which will have a theme of 'Share a Story'. Have a look on their website for previous winners entries. The prizes for coming first or second are either £100 or £50 of book tokens for the child and book tokens for school; we look forward to seeing your designs!

Upcoming FOSS events and activities in school. More details to follow.



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK:



Well done Jacob!