



## Newsletter—10th March 2023

Learning, growing and caring as part of God's family.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit.

John 15:5

Our Christian value for this half term is Service

★ Time to Shine ★	
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments
Lexi Lowder Y6	She is kind and supportive to her friends, polite, hard working
Kacey Mellor Y5	He is good at karate, works hard, a friend you can depend on, trustworthy
Jack Priddey Y4	He is very smart, helpful, hilarious, polite, an excellent footballer
Sienna Mayor Y3	She is sensational, helpful & kind, works hard on her handwriting
Michelle Huang Y2	She is a kind friend, good at art, running & skipping, tries her best
Jana Abubaker Y1	She is helpful, kind, cares for the planet, always tried her best
Cameron Walker YR	He can sing lots of songs, shares things, caring, good at reading
Tilly Mufitt Y4 Special Award	By selling hot chocolate, Tilly raised over £200 for Animal Care. Well done!

Building Work
As you will have noticed there are big changes happening at the front of school. In order for the works to be completed on time, <b>THE FRONT ENTRANCE WILL BE CLOSED FROM MONDAY, 20TH MARCH UNTIL THE END OF TERM.</b> Parents and children will have to use the driveway to enter and exit school during this time.

Bingo Night—24th March
Please see the attached poster for further details. If you would like to join in the fun, tickets are now available at the school office.

Athletics Team
Well done to our athletics team who won the Lancaster Schools' tournament at Lancaster & Morecambe College last Friday. Good luck for Tuesday when they go the Blackpool to take part in the County Athletics final, where they will compete against other school teams from Lancashire.

Strike Day Reminder
Don't forget that Nursery, Y1, Y2 & Y3 classes will be closed on Wednesday, 15th and Nursery, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4 will be closed on Thursday, 16th March.

Worship in School
The Worship Team led worship on Wednesday this week and the Lent theme was Fresh Starts. They are doing such a good job. Rev Rebecca was back in school on Thursday and she focused on our Christian value of Service. Please let me know if your child does anything at home for our Lent Challenge—we want to celebrate acts of service.

Celebrating Life in School
What a busy week! On Monday the whole school celebrated World Book Day by dressing as crayons. On Tuesday the weather was kind to the Eco Group who, with the help of Hilary from FODW, Mr Long and Mrs Cocker, managed to plant approx. 65 tree saplings at the field in a little under 2 hours! Y2 have finished their animation of Noah's Ark. Y5 learnt all about decimals and it's amazing how many small pieces you can get from 1 straw! Y1 found out how to make a map and how to use a key to understand it. They also had a walk around school for signs of spring from new shoots on plants to tiny spiders webs. Y4 went from finding out about friction and forces to why the Romans left Britain and their Empire declined! The children enjoyed the snow today and the week was finished off with the judging of the Arty Animal Competition by a volunteer from Animal Care. For a list of winners, please see page 2. To look at all the children's activities, please visit the school website— <a href="https://www.scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk/blog">https://www.scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk/blog</a>

Next Week's dates
14.03 Vision Screening Reception only
Y5/6 Athletics Competition (Blackpool)
15.03 Strike Day (more information to follow)
16.03 Strike Day (more information to follow)
17.03 Non-uniform day (Easter themed chocolate)

Future dates
22.03 Y4 Music Festival
24.03 Feel Good Friday
Family Easter Bingo 6-7pm
28 – 31.03 Bikeability Y6
31.03 Service in church at 1.45pm
Break up for Easter Holidays 3.10pm
17.04 Start of the Summer term 8.45am
<b>19.05 Coronation Disco— please note change of date</b>

### Cinema Trip Y2 & Y5

We are looking for volunteers to walk down to Vue cinema in Lancaster on Thursday, 23rd March to watch Matilda the Musical. We will be setting off from school at 9am and returning by approx. 1pm. If you are able to help, please contact either Mrs Dowson or Mrs Cross. Thank you.

### Arty Animal Competition Winners

All the entries were fantastic and a brilliant total of £149.00 was raised for Animal Care. We asked a member of the Animal Care team to come and judge the entries this afternoon and the winners are:

Nursery - Betty Ellis	Year 3 - Amelia Long
Reception - Oscar Harrison	Year 4 - Hannah Weston
Year 1 - George Withers	Year 5 - Emilia Mooney
Year 2 - Lydia Johnstone	Year 6 - Demi Crane

Special Judges Award KS1 Ivy Withers  
Special Judges Award Ks2 Anuhya Ansin

### Feel Good Friday

A reminder that we would like to dedicate the afternoon of Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March to activities that help children's wellbeing and mental health. We have had some offers of help to do mindfulness colouring, hand massage, crafts, walks around the local area, Lego construction, gardening and meditation. We are still in need of helpers/volunteers to help run these groups and would be appreciative of any other activities. Please let school know as soon as possible if you are able to help. Doing an activity that helps maintain good mental health at an early age is crucial to ongoing wellbeing.

### School Council Request

Please see the letter attached to the newsletter from the children on the School Council asking for donations of gardening equipment and plants. They would be very grateful for any help.

### On Line Safety

Carrying on with our on-line safety, this week gives tips to parents and carers on how to stay safe playing the video game Roblox.