

Newsletter No 21 Friday 11th February 2022

MISSION STATEMENT

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

"I am the vine, and you are the branches. If any remain in me and I remain in them, they produce much fruit." (John 15:5)

Half-Termly Reviews

Due to COVID and lack of consistency in class this half-term, we will not be sending home half-termly reviews today. As we move forward we will be adjusting our reporting schedule. Please be reassured that in line with DFE guidance, we will ensure you receive three report (two parents evenings and a written report, followed by the option of a face-to-face meeting) during the school year. If we have any concerns about your child's achievement, progress or attitude, as always, we will contact you at the earliest possible convenience. If you have any questions about your child in school, please contact your child's teacher.

Half-Term Break

Don't forget, school finishes today for the half-term break and reopens on Monday, 21st February at 8.45am. We would like to take this opportunity to once again say thank you for all your support and understanding over the last few weeks. Enjoy the break whilst we all wait and see what the next Government announcements will mean for us all!

We would ask that if your child does become ill over the holidays, that you carry out lateral flow tests before returning to school. Many thanks.

Thank You!

We have a fantastic response to the UNICEF School in a Box appeal and raised over £240! Thank you once again for your generosity! It was lovely to see the children dressed so colourfully.

Staffing Update

It was mentioned in last weeks' newsletter that Mrs Walsh would be teaching in Y1 after half-term. This will still happen except it will now be on a Tuesday afternoon and not Thursday. There was some confusion that Mrs Boyle was leaving, this is definitely not the case and Mrs Boyle is still the Y1 teacher—just not Tuesday afternoons!

Dinner Money

Please ensure your child's dinner money account is up to date. We would remind parents that dinners <u>MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE AND NOT ARREARS.</u> The daily cost is £2.35, weekly £11.75 and for the full half-term £70.50.

Y4 Roman Day

A reminder that Y4 are having a Roman Day on Friday, 25th February and they can come dressed as a Roman.

Lego Club

Lego club will resume on Tuesdays after half-term but **only** on the following dates:

1st, 15th, 22nd and 29th March.

It is a continuation for the children who already attend.

World Book Day

Please see page 2 of this week's newsletter which gives important information as to what school is doing to celebrate this year's World Book Day on March 3rd.

Online Safety

This week's guide is all about Search Engines.

Scotforth Superstars

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Name	Nominated by	Nominated for
Grace Adams	Miss Parlane	Hard work in decimals!
Sophie Dalgleish	Miss Parlane	Great use of advanced punctuation
Cole Mort	Miss Parlane	Being a positive ray of sunshine across the school
Amelia Hylton Lambert	Mrs Browne & Mrs Whiteside	Bravery & agility climbing the pole and ropes in gymnastics
Robert Park	Mrs Browne & Mrs Whiteside	Kind & considerate behaviour to all his friends
Lily Ducklin Tom Pattinson Lexi Lowder	Mrs Redmayne	Making a great effort with joining up their handwriting
William Latham	Mrs Redmayne	Great contributions to class discussions across the curriculum
Jayden Metcalf	Miss Kierzek	Great effort with Maths & English
Lexi Lowder Cateleya Aspinall	Miss Kierzek	Improvement in mental arithmetic
Jack Withers Isobel Miller	Mr Manning	Great reading & understanding of The Pied Piper poem
Reuben Mason	Mrs Dowson	Excellent scientific knowledge
Dawn Sowah Ellen Quayle	Mrs Dowson	An excellently written bread review
Kester Gyamerah	Mrs Dowson	Fantastic graph work in our computer lesson
Surya Wang	Mrs Mayor	Writing a super dilemma story
Lloyd Elliott	Mrs Mayor	Huge improvements in his handwriting
Finley Lloyd	Mrs Boyle	A brilliant effort in remembering his finger spaces
Emily Brighouse	Mrs Boyle	Her fantastic Zog story
Elaine Sowah Jasper Young Louis Fagan Teddy Ducklin	Mrs Cross	Fabulous comic book art
James Sowerby Daniel Stoyanov	Mrs Cross	Brilliant aerial map of our classroom

Team Points

This week's winner is Ashton. Well Done!

WORLD BOOK DAY

We love reading *everyday* here at Scotforth but it's that time of year again when we have a special celebration of all things books!

This year **World Book Day** is **Thursday 3rd March** and on that day children can come dressed up as a book character if they wish. On the same day we will also be holding a "*create a book character out of a vegetable*" competition so this is the time to start thinking creatively! We can't wait to see what you come up with!

We will be celebrating books all week with events such as book quizzes, paired reading, Book Cafes and online author workshops.

The Scotforth Masked Reader - now it's your turn!

Following on from last year's very popular staff Masked Reader Challenge (we will be posting some of these on our website again soon as a reminder!) any child can this year make their own SHORT, masked reader video at home and send it into their class teacher or to Mrs Redmayne (j.redmayne@scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk) using the **WeTransfer** website. These videos should be no more than two and a half minutes and we suggest you read either a favourite poem, a short picture book or a short passage from a favourite book. You can either wear a disguise or use online apps to add a mask. The children's videos will **NOT** be posted online but just watched in school. This is a purely an optional activity.

Karate Reading Challenge Continues...

Well done to all of the children who are taking part in the Karate Reading Challenge. It has been great to see the excitement and enthusiasm that so many children have got about their own reading. It takes a lot of perseverance and commitment but keep going! We are looking forward to seeing some children gain the Purple Band straight after half-term. Amazing effort!

Mrs Redmaye

Attachments

Please take the time to look at this week's attachments:

Parish Newsletter, Music Competition, Beavers, Speech & Language Drop in Service, Taekwon-Do Lessons and On-line Safety Guidance.

After School Clubs

Monday: Dance KS2 21 Feb—28 Mar 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday: LEGO Y1&2 See front page for details

Wednesday: Cricket Club Y5&6 2 Mar -30 Mar 3.15-4.15pm

Thursday: Football KS2 24 Feb -31 Mar 3.15-4.15pm