Newsletter— 11th October 2024



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

	Time to Shine 🙀		
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments		
Skyler Thomas Y1	Skyler loves learning. She is so smiley & takes care of people & animals.		
George Edmondson Y4	George has fantastic manners, is a great partner & has fairness in his heart.		
Alfie Martin Y3	Alfie is positive, friendly & cheerful. He is energetic, full of ideas & a hard worker.		
Savannah Bowers Y5	Savannah is an amazing athlete. She is a good, trustworthy friend & unique.		
Louis Patchett Y2	Louis works hard & he is a good writer. He is great at maths. He is a good drummer.		
Apostle Antwi Y6	Apostle is thoughtful & a great friend. He likes singing & dancing.		

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Name	Reason	
Lotty Eden Y3	For accurate speech punctuation & using —ly adverbs (without being reminded!).	
Chloe Knowles Y6	For a great recount of the life of Walter Tull, including great vocabulary & sentence structures.	
Bryan Udeoha Y4	For writing a neatly presented, detailed information page about the Loch Ness Monster.	
Jasper North Y1	For using 'and' in a sentence. Well done!	
Ida Davey Y5	For excellent effort with her joined up writing.	
Mmedara Harrison Y2	3	

Online Safety

Anyone can suffer from online bullying. Take a look at this week's guide for advice and tips on how to prevent it.

Worship in School

Our Justice theme continues and on Monday, we made another link to British Values when we thought about respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and those of none. We decided that we should be kind to everyone and celebrate our similarities and our differences. The children had a challenge to find out things that are the same and different about other children that they do not know very well. On Thursday, it was Mrs Walsh leading Worship as Rev Catherine was busy. We once again thought about the Beatitudes. Very appropriately as Thursday was World Mental Health Day, the message was "Blessed are the Peacemakers" and we thought about things that bring peace to our brains to help us stay calm and relaxed. We hope that the children remember this as they try their activities on Mindful Monday. We also talked about keeping peace with others and not making things worse by arguing and fighting.

Celebrating Life in School

Nursery had a fun time making up new words for traditional nursery rhymes such as Baa, Baa green sheep.

Y4 have continued their maths by finding out how to round numbers up and down using a very useful rhyme—but you'll have to visit the school blog to find out what it is! Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School (scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk).

Y6 discovered all about pulleys and levers and how they can be used to make lifting heavy weights much easier.

Photographs (15th Oct)

There will be the opportunity for siblings in school to have their photographs taken together during the day. If, however, anyone has a sibling **NOT** in school or a nursery child who does not come on a Tuesday and you would like to have their photo taken, the photographer will be here from 8.15-9.00am to take family photos.

After School Clubs

Please note that all clubs finish next week. Information about next term's clubs will be sent out after the half-term holiday.

Future Dates				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Who</u>	
Mon 14 Oct	PM	Mindful Monday	All	
Tue 15 Oct	AM	Individual & sibling school photos	All	
Fri 18 Oct	2.45pm	Y1 Assembly No Time to Shine or Writers of the Week	Y1 Parents	
Fri 18 Oct	3.10pm	Break up for half term	All	
Mon 28 Oct	8.45am	School opens	All	
Tue 12 Nov	AM	Flu vaccinations—Nursery children will have to arrange with their GP	YR-Y6	
Thu 14 Nov	1.30- 3pm	Open Afternoon for September 2025 admissions	All	

Parents' Consultations

Thank you to all the parents who came to the Parents' Consultations on Wednesday. We always want to work with parents to help all the children thrive and be the best that they can be. We really appreciate everyone's timekeeping as we finished on time and the staff managed to get home in reasonably good time after a very long day. Thank you.

Lock Down Practice

In line with government guidelines, we have practiced our lockdown procedure today. The children were told that it was going to happen and we explained that if something dangerous was happening outside, the best thing for us all would be to be inside with our teachers in our classrooms so that we knew where everyone was. As this is a new procedure, we wanted to inform parents but moving forward, we will have lockdown practices termly, which is the same frequency as fire practices.

Reminders

<u>Friday Family Worship:</u> Next week's Friday assembly will be led by Year 1. There will be no Time to Shine certificates, awards from home or Writers of the week. Year 1 parents are very welcome to join us at 2.45pm.

<u>Dinner Money:</u> Please ensure your child's dinner money is paid up to date. Dinners cost £2.60 per day, £13 weekly and £101.40 up until Christmas and should be paid for in advance and not arrears.

<u>Earrings:</u> Some children are wearing earrings in school. Please ensure these are removed.

<u>Contact Details:</u> Please let the office know if you change any of your contact details.

<u>Parking:</u> Parents are still parking on the double yellow and zig-zag lines as well as on corners which obscures the view of both drivers and pedestrians. Please park safely.

<u>Secondary School Applications:</u> Applications must be made on line by 31st October.

<u>Lost Property:</u> Please ensure ALL belongings are named in order for us to return them to their owner. Thank you.

<u>Mobile Phones:</u> Please can parents remember NOT to use their mobile phone whilst on the school premises.

School Council

The new school council met for the first time this week. They decided on some very important rules for helping meetings to run smoothly and shared some ideas for how to help with the school improvement plan. They have been set a task of finding out about a charity that works in other countries and thought about this proverb, "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime".

They decided that it was important to find a charity that has a long and positive impact on people's lives.

I look forward to them presenting their ideas in the next meeting.

Y5—Lockerbie Date

Please be aware the date of next September's trip to Lockerbie has been moved forward a week to 8-12th September 2025. All deposits <u>MUST</u> be paid by 29th November 2024. If enough children do not go, then the trip will have to be cancelled.