



Jesus (the gardener) nourishes and tends us as we learn and grow, so that we can all flourish. As a vine, we are one, but all unique and special to Him. We care for each other, as God cares for us.



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**Celebrating this week in school**

In our Worship this week, we thought about different people who have had failures in their lives, but kept on going and achieved success in their lives. They showed us that we need to persevere when things get tough and also that sometimes we need to change what we are doing and find what we are good at.

We have had some great weather this week and have made the most of it –even doing maths outside. [Mathematical Sunbathing | Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School \(scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk\)](https://www.scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk) While you are on the blog, have a look at the Year 4s enjoying their French Day and pictures of their DT projects.

The Year 6s had their performances this week, starting with their dress rehearsal, which impressed some of the younger children so much that they persuaded their parents to come and watch the evening performance! The Year 6s were amazing – their acting, singing and dramatic skills were definitely on show. Well done. You can see some of the pictures from the evenings on the blog.

Thank you to the SCOT4ALL team for the brilliant discos on Thursday. A total of around £150 was raised. Thank you to everyone who helped out – it was great to see the children enjoying a disco in school once again.

The Year 3s have been out and about today – I am sure that there will be pictures of their trip to Williamson Park on the blog for you to see soon.

As we head into the last week of the school year, I wanted to say a huge thank you for your welcome since January. I will not be in school next Friday, due to a long standing commitment and wanted to use this opportunity to say to all the parents that I have appreciated all the smiles and greetings on the gate, the willingness to get involved in the various events since January and the way many of you have felt able to come and talk to me about any concerns. I would also like to thank the staff, who have welcomed me warmly. It has been a huge change for everyone and one of the biggest for decades and I feel privileged to work with such a friendly, hardworking group of people. I am very excited about how we, as a school community, can move forward together. If I don't see you in person before next Thursday, I hope you have a lovely summer holiday.

★ Scotforth Superstars ★

Name	Nominated by	Nominated for
Year 5	Reception Class	Being super duper buddies for the whole year
Maha Attir	Mrs Browne & Mrs Whiteside	Creating fantastic pieces of art from her imagination
Louis Iacob	Mrs Boyle	A super attitude & participation in class discussions
James Betts	Mrs Cross	Outstanding effort when designing a flying machine
Oliver Macro-Ridgway	Mrs Cross	Great recall of facts in history
Tilly Murfitt Zsofia Babic	Mr Manning	Fantastic effort in writing a new ending for Cinderella of the Nile
William Blackwell	Mr Manning	Progress in his writing in Y3
Holly Allan	Mrs Mayor	Beautifully presented work on food chains
Corban Crane	Mrs Mayor	His perseverance learning his times tables
Fletcher Murfitt Kirsty Taylor	Mrs Dowson	Great descriptive writing
Sydney Wood Franki Wood Tharlia Barker-Smith Amy Atkinson Demi Crane	SCOT4ALL	All their help at the disco
William Featon	Miss Huddleston	Excellent catching & throwing skills
Daniel Jones	Miss Huddleston	Very thoughtful contributions during our police talk

**School Reports:** These have been given to the children today— if not given to you, ask and check bags!!

**FREE ICE LOLLY FOR EVERY CHILD NEXT FRIDAY—Please see Page 3 of the newsletter for further information!**

## Upcoming Important dates (please watch out for emails from teachers about class specific dates)

20.07 – Open Afternoon/Evening and Meet the new teacher 3.30 – 6.00pm

21.07 – Leavers' Service in church 1.30pm – ALL ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE WITH YEAR 6 AS THEY LEAVE ST PAUL'S

22.07 – Awards Ceremony for Reception to Year 5 in school at 2.30pm

22.07 – Break up at 3.10pm

05.09—Back to school 8.55am

## Information and Reminders

### Field & Woods Day

On Monday the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children will be spending the morning on the school field and in the woods. It is expected to be a hot day, so please make sure your child is wearing sun cream, has a sun hat or cap and brings a water bottle. We are providing shade by putting up two gazebos. If anyone could help us put these up, please join myself and Mr Cocker on the field at 8am on Monday morning.

### Multi Skills

We are closely monitoring the temperature on Monday. At the moment Multi Skills will be going ahead as the top yard is in shade by the end of the day. Please ensure they have a bottle which they can top up with water during the day. However, if you do not want your child to take part please collect at the end of the day (or they can go to ASC if booked into it). If the temperature does become too hot it will be cancelled but we will inform parents in plenty of time.

### Rounders' Challenge

The Rounders' Club Children would like to invite parents to come and play them in a match on Monday after school at the field. The invitation is open to all parents but only the children who took part in the club will be playing. Please come along if you can to support the children. Again we will be monitoring the temperature and if it does get too hot will make alternative arrangements.

### Open Afternoon/Meet the teacher

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, we welcome you to an open afternoon where you are free to have a look around school, especially your child's current and new classroom. School will be open between 3.30pm and 6.00pm. During this time you will be able to talk to the teachers. The teachers from Year 2 to Year 6 will be in their current classrooms. Mrs Atkinson (Nursery) will be in the current Reception classroom, Mrs Browne (Reception) will be in the current Year 1 classroom and Mrs Boyle (Year 1) will be in the current nursery classroom. If you are unsure, just come in anyway and ask.

Please remember to come and talk to me if you would like to discuss the School Development Plan for next year.

### Year 6 Leavers' Service

On Thursday afternoon, you are invited to church at 1.30pm for the Year 6 Leavers' service. It will be a service focusing on just the Year 6s and they will get their awards as part of it. The awards for the rest of the children across school will be given out on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> in the Family Worship at 2.30pm in school.

### Y6 Leavers' Lunch (oops!)

Apologies—on a previous newsletter we stated that the menu for Friday would be different—it won't be! It will be the usual pizza/fish Friday. On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (last day of term) there will be a special table set aside for Y6 and they will be served by the staff! If any Y6 who does not normally have a school dinner on a Friday, but would like to take advantage of a school dinner with table service, please ensure they bring £2.35 no later than Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> (earlier would be much appreciated).

### Dinner Money

Please ensure your child's dinner money has been paid up to date to the end of term. Reminders are being sent out on a daily basis! Many thanks.

Children moving from Y2 to Y3 in September will no longer qualify for free school meals unless parents have applied to LCC for them. If you feel your circumstances have changed in the last few months and feel you may qualify for FSM, please ask at the office or look on line for further information.

Dinner money is going up from September from £2.35 to **£2.40**. This means for children having a meal every day the cost is now £12.00. Up to October half-term the cost is £81.60 and up to Christmas it is £165.60. As per the school policy, dinner money must be paid in advance. Payment can be either cheque (payable to Scotforth School Fund), cash or via Scopay. If you do not have a Scopay account please ask at the office. Any money or cheques should be in a clearly named envelope.

### 'Lost Property'

Any item of property left in school without a clear name will be disposed of at the end of term. If you have lost any property— clothing, water bottle, etc— please ask your child to have a good look around school before next Friday.

It is essential to name ALL your children's belongings in order that they may be returned to them. Please ensure if you write in biro that you go over the name when items are washed—they fade very quickly!

### Music Lessons

If you would like your child to learn a musical instrument starting next term, please visit Lancashire Music Hub website which gives full details of what is available and the costs.

### **SCOT4ALL Minutes - 22/7/14:**

We had a brief meeting after school today to discuss the funds which were left over in the previous FOSSY accounts.

Originally this money had been raised for some specific purposes and the funds were used to cover these (Samba, musical instruments and a few other things). Any other funds were to be used by the School. It turns out that there was a lot more in the accounts than we had realised, close to £4000.

Some of this money had been donated by the parents of the 2020 leavers to be put towards the Garden Groups activities. This has not been taken out yet, and so will be used to make a nice plant/garden area at the front of the School.

**Further to this, it was agreed to provide a donation to the Y6 leaver's party, and to pay for all children to have a free ice lolly on the last Friday (22/7/22) of the term (so don't forget to collect one!)**

It was agreed that the remaining funds will then be used to replace and update the furniture after the building works and modifications to the KS1 and EYFS side of the school.