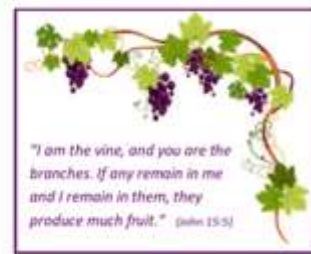




Jesus (the gardener) nourishes and tends us as we learn and grow, so that we can all flourish. As a vine, we are one, but all unique and special to Him. We care for each other, as God cares for us.



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# Scotforth Superstars



## Celebrating this week in school

It has been great to be back after the Easter holidays. It is lovely to feel the buzz around school as everyone has returned. This week we have had a week of Easter Worships, thinking about Jesus' resurrection and visitations to his disciples and followers. Jonny and Franki have done an amazing job, leading class worships and reminding everyone about the Easter story and its importance to Christians, with a little help from the rest of the Worship team. Year 5 have also been thinking about the Easter story in their RE lessons as part of their victory over death theme.



Well done to those of you who took part in the Easter trail on Thursday. We hope you enjoyed being outside in the sunshine, solving problems together. We are hoping that more fun, family friendly activities can be arranged, once the newly named and formed fundraising group is established – **see the information and reminders section for more details.**



I wanted to say a big thank you to the Friends of Dorrington Wood, especially Hilary. She has sourced free planting troughs that we are going to use to brighten up the ramps. The school council met on Wednesday and some of them are going to write to local garden centres to ask for donations of compost and seeds. Hilary also managed to get some willow, which we are using to build a willow den. Thank you to the gardening team for getting the den started today, with some extra help from Hilary.

It has been great to see so many classes outside this week. The teachers have made the most of the weather and planned lots of outdoor lessons, especially science lessons. The practical and investigative approach to learning is a great way for the children to develop their knowledge and skills. It really helps it to be memorable. You can see on the blog, some examples of the practical work that the children have been doing; Year 6 finished and tested their shelters in DT and I love the way Year 5 started their decimals, fractions and percentages work in maths – <https://scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk/blog/2022-04-19-17-15-00-decimal-jewellery-making-in-year-5>



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

- 02.05— May Day Bank Holiday
- 09.05 – 12.05 SATs week for Year 6
- 11.05 – Fun and Fundraising group meeting (details to be confirmed)
- 24.05 – Art Exhibition for the Jubilee (TBC)
- 27.05 – Break up for half term
- 08.06—Back to school
- 22.07—Break up for summer

Name	Nominated by	Nominated for
Eric Tucker	Miss Huddleston	Trying really hard in all subjects
Demi Crane Oliver Lewis Bella Sawyer	Mrs Dowson	Excellent start to our decimals topic
Ellen Quayle Kirsty Taylor	Mrs Dowson	Detailed pattern work in Art
Owen Stephens Elijah Long Joel Dawson	Mrs Mayor	Excellent effort at partitioning decimals
Robert Park	Mrs Browne & Mrs Whiteside	A brilliantly created collage
Fergus Laird Mabel Ellis Maha Attir	Mrs Browne & Mrs Whiteside	Working really hard on their independent writing by practicing at home
Angus Laird	Mrs Cross	Fabulous work about money!
Louis Fagan	Mrs Cross	An amazing habitat map of our school garden
Christlove Amoah Eliza Slater	Mrs Boyle	Writing a super ending to the 'Big Bad Pig'
Jonny Smith Franki Wood	Mrs Walsh	Leading Worship in different classes this week
Joseph Edmunds-Parrington	Mr Manning	Fantastic work solving a fraction puzzle
Tilly Murfitt Sianna Beswick	Mr Manning	Great Egyptian fact finding

## Toast

Some of the older children will no doubt remember that toast was available in school for a snack during morning playtime. We are bringing this back for a trial period starting Monday, 25th April. The children will be able to have 1 slice only of brown toast at 20p each. It would be much appreciated if they could bring in the correct money. Children will be responsible for their own change. It is not possible for children to pay in advance, it must be 20p on the day.

## Information and Reminders

### Competition for a new name!

As you may know, all schools have a group that help the school by organising and running fundraising activities and events. Previously at Scotforth St Paul's, this has been known as FOSSY (Friends of Scotforth School). If you have any links to our school, you are automatically a member of the group and you will be expected to be involved in some way, either by helping to organise, being around at the event to help or by supporting on the day. The best model would be for members to step into these roles if/when they have the time and that different people are involved at different times of the year. Money raised by such groups is essential when providing extras for the children and I am sure you all want the children to have the most and best opportunities while they are at Scotforth St Paul's.

Since COVID struck, the group has not been able to be as active as they would like and many of the core members are no longer part of the school community, as their children have all left the school. So, it's time for a revamp and re-boost.

The first part of this is to come up with a name. Traditionally, it has been the PTA (Parent, Teacher Organisation) or FOSSY, but we need something new. I would like the children to think of a good name for this fun and fundraising group, so we are going to have a competition. The closing date is Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April (next week) at 9am and all entries for a new name should be handed into the office with the child's name and year group on. People should be able to recognise that it is a group linked to Scotforth St Paul's from the name, but other than that, any ideas are welcome.

The winning name will be announced next Friday (29<sup>th</sup> April) and, once we have a name, we will hold the first AGM on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May (details to be confirmed) to discuss projects and fundraising ideas.

### Road Safety

Please take care when crossing the road to school at the start and end of the day. As you know, we no longer have a lollipop man, but we would expect everyone to continue using the pedestrian crossing. If your child would like to ride on their scooter to school, they may do so and can leave their scooters behind the outdoor classroom on the bottom playground. Again, we would ask parents to ensure all children on scooters are keeping themselves and others safe.

### Welfare Assistant Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a lunch time welfare assistant to start immediately.

Hours are term-time Monday-Friday 12.45 am—1.00 pm (7 1/4 hours per week).

If you are interested, please ask at the office for an application form and job description.

### Y1&2 Trip to University of Cumbria

Each child should have come home with a letter tonight giving full details about this trip— please ask child/check bag! Please return permission slips by Tuesday, 26th at the latest. Many thanks.

### School Photographs

Children should have brought home their class photograph this week. Orders can be placed online (this makes more money for school!) or they can be brought to school by Wednesday, 27th April.

### Dinner Money

Please ensure your child's dinner money is up to date, dinners must be paid for in advance and not arrears. Many thanks.

### Children's Belongings

Please ensure all your child's belongings are clearly named. We currently have numerous articles of clothing and water bottles either un-named or unreadable.

### Lancaster Virtual Dance Competition

Well done to the dance club who entered the Lancaster Dance Competition before Easter with their Morris Dance entry. The competition was fierce and the results were very close with us coming a very respectable 3rd place! Well done to everyone who took part. We will have the enjoyment of performing this again for the Jubilee Celebrations in school in the near future.

### After School Clubs

Tuesday: Korfbal KS2 26.04-24.05 3.15-4.15pm  
(form on separate email)  
Athletics Y5&6 lunchtime

Thursday: Football Club KS2 28.04-26.05 3.15-4.15pm  
(form on separate email)  
Karate KS1 & 2 3.15-4.45pm. If your child is interested in taking up karate, please contact Andrea Corban to discuss further - 07534333569

### Car Keys—Found

A set of remote car keys for a VW car were handed in to school at the beginning of the week. Please ask at the office if you think they are yours.