



Newsletter No 7 Wednesday 16th October 2019

Half-Term Holiday

Happy Holiday! Please note that school re-opens at 8.45am on Thursday, 28th October.

Just a few reminders for the first day back to school on Monday 28th October!

Boxes of Hope

This year we are again hoping to help as many children across the world less fortunate than our own, through the Boxes of Hope appeal. Children brought home information about this last week giving suggestions of what could be put in a box. It would be great if you would try to fill a box over the holiday, either individually or a few friends together, and bring into school by **Thursday, 31st October**. Many thanks.

Individual Photographs

Our Photographer will be visiting us on Wednesday 30th October to take individual/family portraits. Any family wishing to have their baby or toddler photograph taken, please be in the school hall at 8.30am. All children from Nursery to Y6 will have their photograph taken unless we are otherwise informed in writing. Thank you.

Rotary Club

To support the work of local charities over winter, the Rotary Club would like children at school to bring in any unwanted winter coats. These can be children's or adult's. The coats will be passed onto families and homeless people in the Lancaster area. If you have any unwanted winter coats please send them in to Mrs Atkinson. Many thanks. (P.S- Please could ALL our children have a coat in school now please, as the weather really is autumnal!)

Please note: any un-named and unclaimed coats in the lost property will be given to the Rotary Club for this good cause—if you think you have lost a coat, please ensure you have a look for it before the end of the day on Monday, 28th October!

Dinner Money

Thank you to all parents who have sent in their child's dinner money in advance. However, there are still a few outstanding balances, and statements have been sent out today—please check your child's bags! These should be cleared before half term as we have a no debt policy for school dinners. Otherwise you will be asked to provide a packed lunch for your child after half-term. If you have access to Scopay please log on and check your balance. If you have any problems settling your dinner money account, please come in and talk to us. Also if your circumstances have changed and you think you may be eligible for free school meals please let us know. Many thanks.

Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be available to buy in school from Monday, 28th October. A suggested donation for a standard poppy is a minimum of 50p. Other items are available as last year, such as wrist bands and reflectors ranging from 50p to £1.

Premier League Football Reading Challenge

Well done to the children who have been reading at home regularly! Mrs Boyle has got some new Premier League Adrenalyn trading cards and collectors folders (as seen in the shops) to hand out to the children who have read at home/with parents the most. To qualify, teachers will be counting the parental signatures in your child's reading record. The deadline will be Monday 28th October—so get reading now! First place will be a Premier League Football Adrenalyn starter pack including game board, second place will include game guides and third place will be Aderenalyn cards.

Lost Property

Many thanks to all those parents who are now naming their child's belongings—it makes it so much easier to return them. However, there are still a number of water bottles and other sundry items in the box and unless claimed by the end of the day on Monday, 28th they will be disposed of.

Sickness

Please note that if your child is absent from school due to sickness and/or diarrhoea, there must be at least 48 hours clear gap after the last episode before they return.

Leave of Absence

Absolutely no leave of absence will be authorised for children during SATS week next year (11-15th May 2020 inclusive).

Diary Dates

Weds 16th Oct	Close for Half Term
Mon 28th Oct	Re-open at 8.45 am prompt
Weds 30th Oct	School Photographs
Weds 27th Nov	Flu vaccinations

Have a lovely holiday!

See you on Monday 28th October.

