

Newsletter No 11 Friday 20th November 2020

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)



Scotforth Superstars



Up-coming Events

Non- Uniform Events:

<u>Friday 27th November:</u> in return for non-uniform we are collecting any item of sweets/chocolates to make hampers for our Christmas raffle. We will also donate any we do not use to the Olive Branch food bank.

Friday 4th December: in return for non-uniform we are collecting bottles—these can be alcohol, shampoo, bubble bath, juice etc. We will make up hampers for the raffle and again, any non-alcoholic donations we do not use will be sent to a local foodbank.

Wednesday 16th December: Christmas Lunch— more details to follow in coming weeks.

Thursday 17th December: in the morning the children will be watching a performance of Cinderella, live from the Lancaster Grand theatre (we will watch in our bubbles on the classroom whiteboard).

Y5 Lockerbie Manor Trip

The deadline for paying your child's deposit for next year's trip to Lockerbie is Friday, 27th November which is only **1 week away!** If we do not receive enough by this date our original booking for Y5 children will expire unfortunately. Payment can be by Scopay, cheque or cash to the school office. If you are having any difficulties with the deposit, please come and talk to us as soon as possible.

Y6 Lockerbie Manor Trip

Just a reminder that parents can continue to pay by instalments with the balance due by 26th March 2021. Again, if you are having any difficulties please come and talk to us. We would hate any child to miss out on this annual Y6 "rite of passage" simply due to financial issues.

St John's Hospice

As you are aware, it has been a difficult time for all charities, so if you would like to support your local Hospice, we have a few raffle tickets available for their Christmas Superdraw. 1st Prize £1000, 2nd Prize £100 which rollover each week and could be £3,600 by the time of the draw! 3rd Prize £75 and 10 prizes of £10. Tickets are available in the school office.

Poppy Appeal

As always, you have been most generous this year and raised a fantastic £220.62 for The Royal British Legion for which they are most grateful.

Christmas Cards

This year we are having to limit distribution of Christmas cards to within class bubbles, therefore your child can bring Christmas cards for their classmates, but they will not be given out to other classes as in previous years when families have exchanged cards by using our 'postal system'. We are sorry that we can't do the same this year, but we are sure you all understand we are trying to minimise contacts as much as possible. Again, many thanks for all your support.

| Name | Nominated by | Nominated for |
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| Isabella Rose Parker | Mrs Mayor & Mrs Belshire | Working really hard in maths |
| Lily Ducklin | Mrs Mayor & Mrs Belshire | Trying really hard with her spellings |
| Edward Hammond | Mrs Mayor & Mrs Belshire | His enthusiasm in science lessons |
| Lily Mae Hunter | Miss Parlane & Miss Aylott | Doing really well with spellings |
| Archie Lamb Phoebe Parsonage- Kear | Miss Parlane & Miss Aylott | Working really well as a team |
| Ida Davey | Mrs Cocker | Brilliant work on her number bonds |
| Arin Hassan | Mrs Boyle | Brilliant improvement in P.E. |
| Kessie Cragg Zsofia Babic | Mrs Cross | Very professional gymnastic sequences |
| Isobel Miller Ayesha Islam Sophie Lloyd | Mrs Cross | Fabulous diary writing as Wilf the Wolfling |

Sweet Treats

When sending in sweet treats to share with your child's classmates to celebrate their birthday, please can parents be aware that some children do have allergies and/or are vegetarian so it it would be much appreciated if this is taken into account when buying the sweets. On the whole Haribos can be eaten by the vast majority of children but not by vegetarian children, e.g. Skittles.

Obviously chocolate is also very acceptable (says Mrs Aylott)but if you are aware of a dairy intolerant child in the class, please could you take this into consideration too. Many thanks.

We have been sending texts to inform you when your child's class has been given sweets, however we will no longer be doing this and unless you inform the class teacher directly that you **DO NOT** want your child to be given sweets, they will be given out at the end of the day. Thank you.

COVID RELATED TOPICS

COVID vaccine roll out- Help needed

Message from Lancaster ICC

Lancaster Primary Care Network are currently coordinating roll out of the national Covid19 vaccine for people registered with Lancaster GPs.

They are looking for people to help marshal vaccine sites locally and even deliver vaccines if you are a registered practitioner with the relevant experience/qualifications.

If you or any of your colleagues feel they could help with this please contact Sandy Pearson at Lancaster Medical Practice:

Sandy.Pearson@gp-p81002.nhs.uk

Financial support for families negatively impacted by Covid-19

Lancaster City Council Community Hub are taking applications for their emergency assistance grants schemes. Residents can apply for the grant using this link, which also explains eligibility criteria:

http://www.lancaster.gov.uk/emergency-assistance-grant
Residents can also apply by calling our Community Hub on 01524
582000 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday

<u>Mindfulness and forest bathing for self-care.</u> Enjoy the Autumn colours.

http://links.forestrycommission.mkt4591.com/servlet/MailView? ms=MjQxMDk2NTUS1&r=NjkxOTQ5NzU1NDUxS0&j=MTg2MTIzODI 0NQS2&mt=1&rt=0

Dear All,

You may be aware that Colin Bloom, the Faith Engagement Adviser at the Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government, has launched a public consultation on how best the government should engage with faith groups. The consultation period is open until 11th December and we would like to encourage you to complete the call for evidence (link below). The scope of the survey is large but we would encourage you to answer the whole survey especially as there are specific questions relating to faith schools and RE in the Education section.

www.gov.uk/government/consultations/independent-faith-engagement-review-call-for-evidence

The survey is open to all individuals, responses are requested particularly from those who have a faith, and so can be forwarded to others who you think would be prepared to complete it. It is anonymous although there is the option to give contact details should you wish.

Best wishes

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My usual working hours are Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Found

A named- but unreadable, padded blue coat (Next, age 6) has been handed into the office. If you think it is yours, please collect by next Friday, otherwise it will be disposed of. Thank you

Music Lessons

If you would like your child to take part in music lessons next term, the closing date for applications is 7th December. You can apply on line: www.lancashiremusichum.co.uk/enrol or alternatively we do have a few application forms in the school office.