Weekly Newsletter

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22nd September 2023 'Where children come first'

Open Evenings at Local High Schools

Any Year 5 or Year 6 children are invited to attend the local High School open evenings to help you decide which High School you would like your child to attend when you come to applying for a place (these are just the four local High Schools in Leyland - there are more around the area - just visit their websites).

St Marys R C High School

Wednesday 27th September 6pm - 9pm Worden Academy

Thursday 28th September 5.30pm – 8pm Balshaws High School

Thursday 5th Oct 6pm – 9pm

YEAR 6 FAMILIES REMEMBER TO APPLY FOR YOUR CHILD'S HIGH SCHOOL PLACE BEFORE 31st OCTOBER 2023 on-line at

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/childreneducation-families/schools/apply-for-aschool-place/starting-secondary-school/

Pupil Parliament Elections Thursday 28th September

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then speak up for them to school leaders and governors. I'm sure they will do a great job this year.



OPAL Lunchtime for Parents and Macmillan Fundraiser Friday 29th September

During lunchtime (raising money for cancer

research and support) – all parents and friends welcome. Please arrive anytime between 12 noon and 1pm.



Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair has arrived and will be open in the school hall or on the playground (either back or



front) each night from 3.20pm to 4pm. There are lots of lovely books, some stationery (key rings, rubbers, rulers, pens etc) and note pads at various prices.

Feel free to come and browse without any pressure to buy. School will get commission on the books we sell and this will go towards buying books for the school library.

Open Days (Reception in September 2024)

If any parents of children who will be starting school in September 2024 would like to look round school we are having some open 'days'. The dates are:

Tuesday 3rd October 9.15am OR Wednesday 4th October 1.15pm

(further dates will be added for after the half-term holidays). The deadline for applying (to Lancashire) for places in the Reception class is 15th January 2024 (and is open now).

Applications need to be on-line at:

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/childreneducation-families/schools/apply-for-a-schoolplace/starting-primary-school/



Rewards for this week (Well done!)

Well done to all those amazing children who have achieved the various awards this week.

Star of the Week Awards				
Focus on Learning				
Moons	Delilah – for being excited and ready to learn.			
Rockets	Sammy – for his wonderful love for learning.			
Dorado	Alicia – for developing a fantastic new character.			
Orion	Stephen – for always wanting to achieve his best in every lesson.			
Hercules	Pippa – for great Maths when drawing 2D shapes with angles.			
Pegasus	Thomas – for being super brave and working hard in swimming.			
Apollo	Beth – for impressive Maths skills, using a bead string.			
Leo	Isabella – for being a great role model, trying her best and keen to please			
Phoenix	Hayden – for always trying his best and concentrating superbly, not letting			
	himself be distracted by others.			

Positive Points (Top Dojo Points Rockets Only)				
Dorado	Carter			
Orion	Elizabeth & Isaac			
Hercules	Chloe			
Pegasus	Kian			
Leo	Aurelia			
Phoenix	Kayla			

We would like to hear about any children who do amazing things outside of school and they MIGHT end up getting our Local Hero Award – let us know with a quick message on Class Dojo to your child's teacher letting us know what they have done.



Reception Class Photograph

The photographer from the Chorley Guardian came to take a photo of our new Rockets class on Wednesday so hopefully you should see their smiling face in the newspaper soon.

Rockets Class in Full Time

Well done to all of our wonderful Rockets (Reception) children who did their first full week of Reception this week and it's been brilliant seeing how hard they have been working and enjoying school.



OPAL News



Spare Clothes and Extras

If you have any spare socks or underwear at home that your children have grown out of, please consider sending them to school as spares. Additionally, we would be grateful for any outgrown waterproof clothing, playing-out coats, trainers, and other clothing articles. Even though the weather is getting wetter, we still want the children to have the opportunity to play on the field in the mud as part of our OPAL lunchtimes. You can visit our website for more information about OPAL.

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 25/09/2023

Lunch Menu WEEK 2				
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Desserts Choice
Monday	Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Tomato Sauce, Paprika Potatoes, Beans	Baked Potato with a Selection of Fillings, Salad	Selection of Filled Wraps or Sandwich Rolls, Crisps, Salad	Muffin Fresh Fruit Milk
Tuesday	Potatoes, Mixed	Cooks Choice of Toasted Panini, Potato Wedges, Vegetable Sticks, Dips	Pasta Arrabbiata, Tortilla Chips, Salad	Jelly with Orange Wedges Fresh Fruit Milk
Wednesday	Roast Chicken Dinner, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables, Gravy	Baked Potato with a Selection of Fillings, Salad	Selection of Filled Wraps or Sandwich Rolls, Crisps, Salad	Cooks Choice Fresh Fruit Milk
Thursday		Cheese Whirl, Herby Potatoes, Beans	Pasta Neopolitan, Crusty Bread, Salad	Cookie Fresh Fruit Milk
Friday	Homemade Pizza Margherita, Chips or Pasta Salad, Sweetcorn	Harry Ramsdens Crispy Battered Fish Fillet, Chips or New Potatoes, Peas	Selection of Filled Wraps or Sandwich Rolls, Crisps, Salad	Summer Treat Dessert Fresh Fruit Milk

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Events Coming Up

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	(Anti-bullying ambassadors are also being appointed over this term so that we can ensure we keep focusing on being kind, caring and NOT bullying) - it will be Anti- bullying week in November
Friday 29 th September:	OPAL Lunchtime for parents AND Macmillan fundraiser during lunch time (raising money for cancer research and support) – all parents and friends welcome – arrive anytime between 12 noon and 1pm.
Thursday 5 th October:	Movie Theme Lunch in school - more details to follow
Monday 16 th October	'Science Boffins' coming into school to do an assembly and workshops with the children (as part of our Science/STEM week)
Wednesday 18 th October:	Science/STEM Afternoon for parents/friends in the school
Thursday 19 th October:	probable date for PTFA Halloween disco (Years 1 to 6 after school) to be confirmed – a message will go out on Class Dojo confirming this event nearer the time
Friday 20 th October:	SHINING STARS ASSEMBLY & break up for half-term at usual 3.15pm

Rock Kidz will be joining us again in the Autumn term - watch this space for when (and they will be focusing on the theme of anti-bullying).

Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell* **REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE** (class and school information) Remember to like us on Facebook and Twitter



School Code of Conduct

Please be kind and respectful at all times