

Headteacher's Newsletter

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Years 4 and 5 trip to Martin Mere

Our children from Pegasus and Leo class had a great time at Martin Mere Wetland Centre on Tuesday. They explored the various areas, learnt about the importance of wetlands and met the otters, flamingos and many other geese, ducks and birds of all kinds.

They had various activities to do together and we were very impressed with their behaviour and engagement with everything.

They have had further activities to do to become Guardians of the Wild and a voucher for a free trip to Martin Mere with the family. Definitely a great trip and Year 6 with Galaxy class will be visiting as well on Tuesday 24th March



Parents' afternoon and evening (appointment deadline is Monday 16th March)

A message has gone out onto your child's Class Dojo page inviting you to sign up for an appointment for the Parents' Afternoon / Evening on Wednesday 18th March.

Appointments are available from 1.30 to 5.25pm and are for 5 minute slots – be quick as the appointment slots get filled up quickly (and if you know of any parents who do not use Class Dojo tell them to talk to the office).

When you arrive you will be handed some of the books your child has been working in for you to look through before you talk to their teacher (so it would be good to arrive a little bit earlier to give you time to do this).

Mrs Walsh and Miss Lemon will also be around to answer any questions about SEN.
If your appointment is finished before the end of the school day you are welcome to take your children home early with you.

Apollo and Galaxy class will be doing a slightly different thing – Miss Lemon has sent out a separate letter via Class Dojo to let you know what you will be doing to find out about the work they have been doing.

Year 6 High School Offers

Year 6 parents should have received an email telling you which High School your child will be attending in September 2026. If you have not then it is because you may have applied a bit late. Click on the link below for support from Lancashire Admissions:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

If you have any problems please get in touch.

I am sure that whatever High School the children are allocated they will do so well and we will ensure there is good transition and preparation for all of our Year 6 children as they move to the next stage of their learning journey.

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Comic Relief – Red Nose day: Friday 20th March

Children can come to school wearing silly clothes or silly hair (if they want to) on Friday 20th March as part of Comic Relief.

We are asking for donations of at least 50p towards comic relief but we are ALSO asking on the same day for donations of chocolate which will be part of the prizes for our PTFA Easter Bingo which takes place on Wednesday 25th March after school.

If children have a silly (appropriate!) joke they can tell in assembly to make us smile that would be great!



**PTFA Easter Bingo: Wednesday 25th
March 3.30pm**

We will be having an Easter Bingo in the school hall at 3.30pm on Wednesday 25th March.

It is always a fun event, there will be lots of chocolate to win and all money raised will go back to the children towards equipment, trips and events

World Down Syndrome Day

LOTS of Socks day – Monday 23rd March

We will be celebrating World Down Syndrome Awareness Day on 23rd March – please come to school with lots of socks on (or odd or colourful socks)

<https://www.downs-syndrome.org.uk/our-work/campaigning/world-down-syndrome-day/>



You can find out more about Downs Syndrome by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.downs-syndrome.org.uk/about-downs-syndrome/>

Reminders

Please do not park in front of driveways

Please do not park in the Taxi drop-off point (unless your child is in Apollo or Galaxy classes)

After half-term we will be starting a 'pass' system so anyone using the SEN taxi drop-off will need a pass from the office which will need to be applied for.

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Our Value for this term is Kindness

Kindness is something we are focusing on for all our children (and adults around school too – so we can model what kindness looks like to them by being kind to each other ourselves)

We are ‘spotting’ children who are being kind and then gathering the names of those children we spot in a school values book (and what they specifically did that was kind)

Here are just some of the entries so far:

<i>Ebony helped a child in her class with their work when they were struggling</i>	<i>Carter from Year 3 played with and helped a little boy from Year 2 at lunchtime</i>	<i>Mason helped a child undo a difficult lid on a tub in their lunchbox during lunchbreak.</i>	<i>Faye in Year 5 volunteered to put chairs away when everyone had gone out to play</i>
<i>Logan in Year 5 always offers to do jobs such as hold doors open for others</i>	<i>Hattie-Rose in Year 3 spent time making a beautiful birthday card for her friend</i>	<i>Billie-Mae in Year 5 comforted her friend after they fell over and helped them to the First Aider</i>	<i>Teddie in Year 2 helped tidy up the welly store after lunchtime without being asked</i>

There will be a special VIP award for Kindness at the end of this term.

Can we also ask all parents and adults to act and speak kindly towards one another because our children DO see, hear and copy everything!



Wade Hall Litter Pickers

Well done to the amazing children and adults who have been showing kindness to the local area by being ‘Litter Pick Heroes’. The Litter Pick Heroes meet fortnightly on a Sunday at ‘The Place Community Centre, Royal Avenue, Wade Hall 10am to 12pm (followed by a brew and chat).

The next dates are:

15th & 29th March (which will be an Easter ‘Eggstravaganza’ Pick); 12th & 26th April; 10th & 24th May; 7th & 21st June; 5th & 19th July; 2nd, 16th & 30th August

For more information contact April on 07857131529

A huge well done to Stephen who has been a Litter Picking hero from the beginning and has recently been given a special award in recognition of his service to the community.

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Easter Crafts Event

It was great seeing some of our wonderful parents attending the Easter crafts event in the hall on Friday run by East Lancs College and Mrs Wright – I am sure they had a great time and made some brilliant Easter creations.



Goodbye Mrs Stunell

Mrs Carol Stunell, who has been a school governor and Chair of Governors for many years, will be stepping down from her role on Friday 27th March.

Carol has served this school for many years and has supported us through some very challenging times including the COVID Pandemic and at least 2 or more Ofsteds.

Not only has she led the governing board with skill but has regularly come in to hear children read and helped them to make progress in their love for reading.

She has attended and made presentations in assemblies and been a key part of the success and the life of Seven Stars Primary school over such a long time.

It will be sad to see Carol go as a governor but I believe she wants to still pop in to help out!

Thanks so much Carol for all you have done and we will find time before you go to give you a proper farewell.



Slippers

Children are continuing to wear slippers in school and are very sensible about it. It seems to be making a difference and if anyone else would like to then feel free to send slippers in at any point (the children keep them in class). But it is optional so do not feel you have to.



SLEEP IS OUR SECRET SUPERPOWER!

We have been receiving some training on sleep. It is SO important for our children but we do realise it is not always easy in a busy home. There is information you can access below about sleep and we will be talking more about this at a later date

<https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/information-support/children/>

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Future Dates

Monday 16th March – DEADLINE FOR PARENT EVENING APPOINTMENTS

Wednesday 18th March - PARENTS AFTERNOON AND EARLY EVENING

Friday 20th March – COMIC Relief day (children come to school dressed in something funny if they want to – silly hair, odd socks etc) – **please bring in chocolate donation towards the Easter Bingo** and a 50p (or more if you can afford it) contribution towards Comic Relief

Friday 20th March – Handwriting improvement awards assembly

Tuesday 24th March – Year 6 trip to Martin Mere

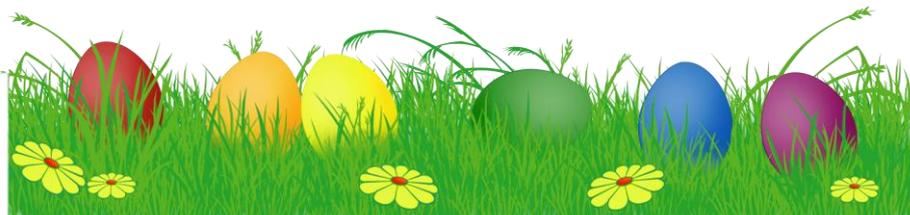
Wednesday 25th March – PTFA Easter Bingo in the hall (Mr Mitchell's last bingo calling session – next stop Blackpool Pleasure Beach!)

Friday 27th March – Shining Stars & VIP assembly (& Carol's last assembly as Chair of Governors)

Friday 27th March – Whole School Fancy Dress Day

Friday 27th March – finish for the Easter holidays at **2pm**
(please make sure there is someone to pick up your child early and arrangements are in place)

Monday 13th April – School reopens after the Easter holidays



Holiday and Term Dates 2026-27

The holiday term dates for the academic year
2026-27 are now on the school website

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My Happy Mind

My Happy Mind is continuing to go well and the children are learning all about the brain.

Here is a short video explaining what this is:

<https://myhappymind.lpages.co/myhappymind-parent-app-introduction/>



Mad Science Club

Mad Science club is continuing in Year 2 and the children are having a great time with the investigation they are being led through with Scientific Sarah.

Social Media

Please continue to monitor your child's internet / mobile phone / devices use. There are continuing to be issues around children being on devices late at night (which impacts their learning and behaviour in school) and also sending some very nasty messages (which impacts their mental well-being).

Please see the link below for how to keep your child safe on-line:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>



Chats to teachers

Teachers are very busy at the start of the school day meeting and greeting the children as they come in. If you need to speak to your child's teacher about anything please either message them on Class Dojo or wait until all the other children have gone in (i.e. wait to one side) so they can all be greeted, and then catch the teacher (but only very briefly as they do need to get on with teaching!)

You can also go to the office if you need to pass on a message and cannot use Class Dojo

Attendance

If your child is off please contact the office
(NOT the class teacher on Dojo – they are very busy and messages might get missed) on 01772 422503 to let us know (or reply to any messages left from the office) since it is the office that updates the records.

Do not use Class Dojo to tell us about your child's absence. Thanks



Star of the Week Awards (children who have demonstrated brilliant Learning Powers and achieved something special in their learning this week)	
Moons	
Rockets	Ava- for taking pride in her work with 100% effort.
Dorado	Harper for writing a brilliant fact file about Beatrix Potter.
Orion	Hayden T - for careful concentration in English this week. Well done, keep it up!
Hercules	Lilly – for consistently being engaged in every Maths lesson.
Pegasus	Jake T - For showing an improvement in his attitude towards his maths work which has resulted in some great pieces of work.
Leo	Logan – For trying hard with his Maths, showing kindness and being the best version of himself.
Phoenix	Lois B- For all your excellent input in class discussion.
Galaxy	
Apollo	Dillon for showing kindness and being super welcoming to our new starter in Apollo

Positive Points (children who have achieved the most points for effort in work and behaviour/attitude)	
Rockets	
Dorado	Casey
Orion	Ruben P
Hercules	Sarah & Maximus
Pegasus	Bodie M
Leo	Avayah & Mira
Phoenix	Nyko
Galaxy	
Apollo	

Many thanks for your support

Mr Mitchell

REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE (class and school information)

[Seven Stars Primary School \(lancsngfl.ac.uk\)](http://lancsngfl.ac.uk)

School Code of Conduct
Please be kind and respectful at all times



Breakfast club & After-School Club

Book on and pay in advance on School Money

Breakfast club = £4.00 per child (7.30 to start of day)

After-School Club = £7.0 per child (to 5.30pm) Any late collection will result in a charge of £10 (cost of staff)