

Weekly Newsletter

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*'Where children
come first'*

The Queen's Funeral - Monday 19th September (School Closed)

On Monday 19th September school will be closed, as will most other schools and businesses, due to the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II.



Over the next few weeks, we will be having further events and paying further tribute to the Queen who embodied so many of the values that we hold dear as a school such as kindness, respect and resilience and we will announce a special assembly to take place at the end of September to bring us all together as a school community to commemorate her life.

In the meantime, we will be gathering special messages and thoughts about the Queen from the children and at some point may invite parents and carers to do the same (some of you may even have personal stories about meeting the Queen or know someone who did).

Teddy Bear Picnic Lunch

In commemoration of the Queen who, as we know, loved Paddington Bear, we are having a Teddy Bear picnic lunch on Friday 23rd September. Children are allowed to bring in their favourite teddy bear (not too big please!) or cuddly toy if they have one on that day.

Phonics 'Assembly' and Demonstration for Parents

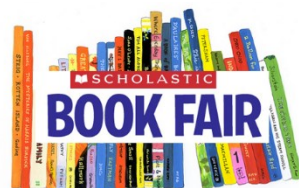
ALL parents from every class in school (& especially the younger classes) are invited in to the school hall on **Tuesday afternoon (20th September) at 2.30pm** (just before collecting the children) to hear about our new Phonics Shed programme and how we teach our children to read. This will help you understand what to do at home and you can see what the children do in school each day to learn to read (the most important skill of all).

Hothersall Lodge – Year 6

May we remind parents that final payments are due by 21st October 2022.

Scholastic Book Fair

Our annual book fair is coming to school next week arriving on Wednesday



21st September and will be open Wednesday after school in the school hall or if the weather is nice on the back playground. It is with us until Tuesday 27th September.

Meet the Team Meetings 3.30pm to 4pm

Thank you to all those parents who have come along to our first 'Meet the Team' meetings for parents/carers to come into school to hear some key messages about your child's class, meet the team and ask any questions you may have. The next dates (some have had to change due to the added Bank Holiday, are:

Year 6 (Phoenix): Friday 30th September

Year 2 (Orion): Monday 26th September

Year 3 (Hercules): Thursday 22nd September

Nursery/Reception: Friday 23rd September (wait by the doors that your child is released from and the teacher will invite you in after the class have been released and we have sorted out any issues).

It would be lovely to see as many parents/carers as possible.



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	Avayah – for using resources with thought and care and always using her manners
Rockets	Bailey – for being a superstar all week
Dorado	Jack – for always trying his best, even if tasks are a little bit tricky
Orion	Ella-Rose – for an amazing effort with behaviour
Hercules	Lexi – for great effort in all subjects
Pegasus	Aurelia – for 100% effort with all her work Marquis – for working really hard whilst making 'superworm'
Leo	Heidi – for a great attitude towards her work and for having a go even when things are challenging
Phoenix	Dylan – for an excellent attitude in all his learning and sharing lots of great ideas in class

Positive Points (Top Dojo Points Rockets Only)	
Dorado	Isaac
Orion	Alfie
Hercules	Lois & Thomas
Pegasus	Lucas
Leo	Savannah
Phoenix	Jayden

VIP (Values Inspired Person) – for demonstrating KINDNESS	
Rockets	Max
Dorado	Lydia-Mae
Orion	Steven
Hercules	Evie-Rose & Leo
Pegasus	Eloise
Leo	Kelsey
Phoenix	Lexi

VIP certificates (Values Inspired Person)

Over the next few weeks we will be celebrating and rewarding any children who demonstrate our school values which are:

Resilience, Determination, Kindness, Tolerance, Courage, Honesty, Empathy, Respect, Responsibility, Gratitude/Thankfulness

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.

Well Done
to everyone this week

Pupil Parliament

We will be electing our Pupil Parliament next Thursday (elections in the afternoon) for two children from each class (Years 1 to 6) to represent their class at our Pupil Parliament. The Pupil Parliament will help us as a school make decisions in the interests of the children in all areas of school life including school meals, events, curriculum, premises and many other things.

It is an important position and we need children who are good at listening, good at discussing and good at coming to agreement when making decisions.

Class & School Information

For all information about class expectations (e.g. PE kits; days of PE lessons; behaviour; homework; reading books etc) please see the Guide and the Curriculum Newsletter that is being sent out on Class Dojo and will also be on our school web-site.

Please also visit our school web-site where you can find out most information

OR you can message the class teacher on Class Dojo or email the office on office@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk

Class Dojo

Class Dojo is our main way of communicating with parents (if you are struggling to get on let us know)

Teachers/staff will only pick up and answer messages after 8am and before 5.30pm and not at the weekends (so they get a break and can do the million and one other things they have to do!)

Messages might not be answered immediately (including messages to the office or any member of staff) unless we think it is an emergency, but we will aim to get back to you within 3 working days.

If we have not done so by the end of 3 days feel free to get in touch again.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Sports Events

Well done to all the children who took part in the Rugby Festival on Monday in school. They did really well and Andy from South Ribble coaching team was very impressed with their passing skills and rugby potential!

Well done to the Footballers who had their first competitive matches on Thursday night at Balshaws High School against other local primary school teams. Further matches have been arranged over the next few weeks.

It was great to see parents and children at the PASTA (healthy food and sport) event on Thursday night in school. Thanks also to the South Ribble coaches for organising it. Everyone went home with a healthy pizza and other food will be made next week.

OPAL Items

If you have any toys that might be good outdoors (for OPAL) that your children no longer use please donate to school.

We will also send out a further request via Class Dojo for other items e.g. crates; old bikes/scooters; old tents; dressing up clothes etc.

Staff News

We are welcoming to our staff teaching next week Mrs Drinkwater in Year 6 who will be supporting the children with their learning and Miss Stafford who will be supporting some of the younger children in school.

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 19/09/2022

Lunch menu (subject to change depending on deliveries) 19.09.2022			
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Desserts Choice
Monday	BANK HOLIDAY		
Tuesday	Pork Meatballs & Pasta in a Tomato Sauce, Tortilla Chips, Salad	Baked Potato with a Selection of Fillings, Salad	Ice Cream Roll Yogurt Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Pork Dinner, Yorkshire Pudding, Vegetables, Gravy	Selection of Sandwich Baps, Crisps, Salad	Sprinkle Cake Yogurt Fruit
Thursday	Chinese Style Chicken Curry, Mixed Rice, Spring Roll	Homemade Pizza, Tortilla Chips, Salad	Cheese & Biscuits Yogurt Fruit
Friday	TEDDY BEARS PICNIC Remembering Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II <i>Selection of Sandwiches, Sausage Roll, Crisps, Salad Sticks</i>		Ice cream Tubs

School Meals

The new winter menu will be out soon and we will let parents know what will be for lunch choices over the next few weeks ready for after the October half-term.

Events Coming Up

Friday 30th September 1.45pm - OPAL open afternoon for all parents/friends

Friday 30th September 2.45pm – Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee & Cake afternoon in the hall

Thursday 6th October 3.15pm – Year 6 Parents Hothersall Lodge (residential) meeting

Sports Events Coming Up

Football tournaments (at Balshaws High School) Years 5/6 for those selected to be on the team:

Thursdays 15th 22nd & 29th September (letters will go out) - after school to about 5/5.30pm

Girls football competition at Balshaws (Years 5 & 6):

Tuesday 20th September (letter will go out) - after school to about 5/5.30pm



Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell*



REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE (class and school information)

Remember to like us on Facebook and Twitter

If you have changed your contact details, need to update medical information or any other personal details please let us know in the office so we can update our records.