

# Weekly Newsletter

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*'Where children  
come first'*

## Pudsey Visit to School

As part of Children in Need Pudsey Bear came to visit our children from Years 1 to 6 (unfortunately it was a flying visit so could not see all the classes!) This was part of Child in Need (which we celebrated last Friday)



We managed to raise £150.07 for Child in Need last Friday when the children came to school in their pyjamas - well done everyone!

## Anti-Bullying Week/Kindness Week - 'One Kind Word'

Over this week we have been talking about friendship, our values of 'kindness' 'respect' and 'tolerance' and what to do about bullying.

The theme of the week has been 'One Kind Word' and we have created a huge display at the back of our hall all about it



#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

Listen to the song below:

[One Kind Word song](#)

We started the week with 'Odd Socks Day' when the children and adults came to school in odd socks to celebrate differences. We said that we are all a bit 'oddish' in a good way and that it is something to celebrate and encourage instead of use to mock or hurt people's feelings.

Year 6 produced some excellent leaflets on types of bullying (physical, verbal, indirect and cyber bullying) about its affects and what to do about it. We've also discovered a brilliant story all about the power of kind words which I am sure your children would enjoy at home. Click on the link below:

[The Bloom story](#)

## Parents/Carers Phone/Zoom Calls

Due to the high rate of positive cases in some parts of our school we decided to arrange our parents/carers conversations with teachers to be by phone (or Zoom) this year. You should have received a message on Class Dojo and hopefully you have managed to book a time with your child's teacher.

The children in Reception and Nursery will have their conversations later this term (due to staffing demands at the moment)



## Parents/Carer Questionnaire

At this time of year we usually ask Parents to complete a questionnaire when they come into school.

However, this year since we are not meeting face to face we are sending out the questionnaire by 'google docs' on Class Dojo. Please complete the questionnaire and we will use the answers to help us improve how we do things at Seven Stars School

## Reading at School and at Home

Please make sure your child brings their book in each day so they can read and we are hoping that we can start sending home library books to all classes. Please however make sure the children value the books and do not lose them. They are very precious!

ALSO don't forget to read TO your child - it will build a true love for reading for the rest of their lives!



## 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 Enthusiasm and Behaviour	
Dorado	Emily – for effort and improvement in every lesson
Orion	Evie-Rose – for having a great week
Hercules	Archie – improvements in his hand writing and trying hard in English
Pegasus	Ellis – for having a fantastic attitude to all of his work and showing great behaviour
Leo	Charlie – for outstanding leadership skills in outdoor learning, being assertive without being aggressive
Phoenix	Emily – for fantastic effort in learning times tables and a brilliant descriptive piece of writing

Positive Points	
Dorado	Christian
Orion	Lawson
Hercules	Jenny
Pegasus	Ellis
Leo	Thomas
Phoenix	Harry

Fitness Champion	
Dorado	Robert – for team encouragement and effort
Orion	Maddison – for giving 100% in PE
Hercules	Alex – for helping her peers and trying hard in PE Michael – for being AMAZING at Paralympics
Pegasus	Bentley – fabulous leadership and skills shown in dodgeball
Leo	Honey – great determination when attempting her 10m and 25m backstroke
Phoenix	Junior, Ruby, Emily – for receiving their swimming certificates

# Well Done

## Great Science

I've seen some brilliant Science happening in school this week finding out about different types of electricity in Year 4 and witnessing an experiment with chocolate in Year 5 when they were investigating reversible and irreversible changes.

Our Year 5 children have also been exploring the properties of materials in their 'outdoor curriculum' work with Mrs Wheatland building dens to keep dry in. It has been wonderful to see the smiles on faces and all the learning that is going on - they will remember it forever!

## Phonics Shed and Spelling Shed

As a whole school we have received training in new linked Phonics and Spelling schemes which the children can access at home. Details are being sent out if they have not been sent out already.

Children in Early Years to Year 2 will have daily phonics sessions based around the Phonics Shed scheme and their reading books will be matched to the phase of phonics they are working at.

There are lots of fun activities and the children are enjoying the way the new schemes are supporting their learning.

## Car Parking reminder

Thank you to those people who are being considerate with parking. A few reminders:

- do not park in front of our neighbours' drives (they keep an eye on our school at weekends, holidays and evenings and are good friends to our school. Some of them have to get in and out of their drives at short notice for emergencies or with families)
- do not park by the yellow signs and zig-zags (this is for the safety of our children)
- do not throw children out of the car whilst in the middle of the road
- please try to operate a one-way system using Meadowcroft road parking facing the play equipment and driving in a loop to avoid cars clashing in opposite directions
- if you can walk to school please do so (it's great for mental health and chat time!)

## Web-site

Please visit our web-site regularly. It is now being updated on at least a weekly basis so there will always be something new to see.

It has upcoming events (scroll to the bottom of the home page) and news about recent things that have happened in school.

You can also find Class pages which will be updated over the next few weeks and all our policies, procedures and important information

Find us at <https://www.seven-stars.lancsngfl.ac.uk/>

## NURSERY PLACES (in our amazing Moons Nursery)

We now only have a few places left in our Nursery to start in January 2022. If you require a place and haven't filled in an application pack, please contact the office to arrange to pick one up. We offer 15 and 30 hour funded sessions as well as paid sessions. More information about claiming 30 hours is available here: <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare> or if you have any queries, please contact Mrs Pullin in the office.

Children in Nursery can also attend breakfast and after school club too.

If you have already requested a place and filled in the application pack, we will be contacting you soon to arrange a look round the nursery and meet with Mrs Hollinghurst, ready to start in January.



## Paralympics Festival

We had coaches from South Ribble who came into school on Friday to lead our Key Stage Two children in a Paralympics 'festival'. We will report in next week's newsletter how they all got on (as this newsletter is written on the Thursday before the end of the week)

UPCOMING KEY EVENTS	
<b>November</b>	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Paralympics 'festival' day Years 1 to 6
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Knife Crime
<b>December</b>	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Christmas Post-box goes out in the hall
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Liz from Leyland Baptist church assembly
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Service visit to Years 2 & 3 (2pm)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Cracker events at Leyland Baptist Church
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Service visit to Year 6 (1.30pm)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle end of school event 2pm early finish (after-school club open until 4pm)

## MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 22/11/2021

Lunch menu (subject to change depending on deliveries) 22.11.21			
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Desserts Choice
Monday	Pasta Bolognese, Tortilla Chips, Salad	Jacket potato with a selection of Toppings, Salad	Varied due to the current situation
Tuesday	French Bread Pizza, Tortilla Chips, Salad	Cheese Whirl, Herby Diced Potatoes, Beans	Varied due to the current situation
Wednesday	Roast Pork Dinner, Potatoes, Vegetables, Gravy	Jacket potato with a selection of Toppings, Salad	Varied due to the current situation
Thursday	Chicken Curry, Rice, Naan Bread	Sausage in a Bun, Tortilla Chips, Vegi Sticks	Varied due to the current situation
Friday	Homemade Pizza, Chips, Peas	Fish, Chips, Peas	Varied due to the current situation

## COVID Update/Clarification

Please see the messages on Class Dojo regarding the Government COVID guidance

Basic overview:

Individuals are not required to self-

isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case

if they are below the age of 18 years 6 months or are double vaccinated (in the case of adults)

All individuals who have been a close contact with a positive person should TAKE A PCR TEST (Not a lateral flow test)

Children under 5 years old who are identified as close contacts will only be advised to take a PCR test if the positive case is in their own household.

Staff (who are

vaccinated) and children who have been identified as a close contact, should continue to attend school as normal (if they have been for a PCR test they can still attend school while waiting for the result)

In cases where a positive case is in school then we will ask all adults/children who have been in close contact with that case to take a PCR test

Children and adults with underlying health conditions, according to the guidance, are being treated the same as everyone else with the same guidance and there are no longer any shielding requirements.

If however 5 or more children (or adults) test positive in the same close contact group then we will increase measures in school which could be increased face mask wearing, increase in social distancing and possibly daily Lateral Flow tests for staff and children (according to Public Health guidance)

We realise this guidance is very different from the guidance before summer and hard to keep up with. Thank you for your patience and support.

Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell*

REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE (class and school information)

Remember to like us on Facebook **\*\*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\*\***