# **Weekly Newsletter**

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#### OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) and Outdoor Classroom Day

On Thursday we had an 'outdoor classroom' day and it was exciting seeing our children learning outside in the sun using the whole of our amazing grounds to support their knowledge and developing their learning skills.

In the afternoon we then invited parents and governors to school to attend a 'Play OPAL Assembly' with Jess Swindells from OPAL.

It was wonderful seeing and chatting to so many parents and family once again in our school and they all went outside to see what an OPAL session outside looks like while our children enjoyed learning in our fantastic school grounds.

A big thank you to all the parents who made it along and for all those who have supported us in developing OPAL in school.

The children love it and we are seeing huge benefits in their social skills, emotional development, adventurous play and improved behaviour at lunch times.

#### **School Photos**

The children had their photos taken today in school with their classes and as individuals. We apologise for the short notice in this. The children all looked gorgeous and we will let you know once the photos have arrived back in school.

## **Ice-Lollies for Sale**

We are still selling ice-lollies (£1 each) every Friday for the Summer term (from the back playground probably but keep your eyes open in case it moves!).

Any proceeds will go towards buying new ipads for the school.



## Twitter

Please follow our new twitter page Seven Stars Primary School @primaryseven



## **School Communication**

We are thinking of ways to improve our communication with parents/carers all the time. Please visit our school web-site where the newsletters are posted each week.

The newsletters will also appear on Class Dojo as will other messages for families (we will try to give plenty of notice for events).

Please read the posters that we will put up of events coming up (in the noticeboard by Hercules class on the back playground, the noticeboard at the front of the school by the fence, and up in the windows of some classes).

There's lot of information on the school website and if any parents need a PAPER copy of the newsletter please go to the office at the end of the day on Friday or first thing on Monday and collect a copy from there. We also use Facebook and Twitter.

#### Attendance

The table below shows attendance and lates for the classes, for last week:

	09.05.22 - 13.05.22			
		%	Lates	
	Rockets	92.1	6	
V	Dorado	93.6	2	×
	Orion	94.5	6	
	Hercules	91.3	7	
	Pegasus	95.2	7	
	Leo	88.9	2	X
	Phoenix	93.7	2	×

Our target for all Children is 96%.



## 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	Teddie – for enthusiasm and his developing knowledge of penguins	
Rockets	Elizabeth – for always trying hard	
Dorado	Oliver – for amazing ideas in English and applying them in his writing	
Orion	All of Year 2 – for working so hard this week on their booklets	
Hercules	Marquis – trying really hard with his learning	
Pegasus	<b>Teejay</b> – for swimming a full length on his back	
Leo	Ruby – for a fantastic piece of descriptive writing showing empathy for a	
	character that is stranded on a desert island	
Phoenix	Emily – for an excellent piece of artwork from outdoor classroom day	

Positive Points (Top Dojo Points Rockets Only)			
Rockets	Emily		
Dorado	Steven		
Orion	Purity		
Hercules	Alex		
Pegasus	Harry		
Leo	Ruby		
Phoenix	Millie		

VIP (Values Inspired Person) – for demonstrating GRATITUDE		
Rockets	Lydia	
Dorado	Ava-Leigh	
Orion	Holly	
Hercules	Eloise	
Pegasus	Jacob	
Leo	Lola	
Phoenix	Chloe	

#### **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 have been focusing on a different value each week and this week it has been GRATITUDE.

# Well Done to everyone this week

#### WELL DONE YEAR 2!

Our Year 2 have completed their SATs (Standardised Assessment Tests) booklets this week.

We will be using the assessments to support our children further moving forward and ensuring that all our lessons address any gaps in learning that have built up over the last few years of the pandemic.

The extra things we are doing across the whole school are additional phonics sessions, additional reading sessions, targeted daily readers for those who need extra support, additional Maths support and much more.

#### **Other 'tests'**

We will soon be doing assessments in all other classes including Year 1 Phonics 'screening check' and Year 4 Multiplication check and eventually the end of year profile for Reception class (how they are doing in their Early Learning Goals).

Results of our key assessments will be published on the school web-site.

We do assess our children in every lesson and will be doing some further assessments in every class at the end of the Summer term.

In our latest Spring term assessments we were impressed with the high percentage of children who have made progress in their learning in their key skills from September 2021 to now.

## **Open Doors Curriculum**

Please visit our web-site to see our unique Open Doors Curriculum.

Our curriculum opens the following doors for all our children to go through for a happy, healthy and exciting life

- 1. Key Skills
- 2. The World
- 3. Healthy Lives
- 4. Creativity
- 5. Communication & Language

**PLEASE GET YOUR CHILD IN TO SCHOOL ON TIME** - we are still experiencing a lot of children who are arriving late to school which is disruptive to them, to their class and to the staff in the office.

When a child falls below that we monitor the situation and if absence falls below 90% it becomes persistent absence

We are currently looking at all children who are below 96% and seeing if there are improvements or if we need a meeting with some parents to work together on improving the situation.

Every second counts for our children with their education and if they are not here they can't learn and that puts them behind.

#### **Reception New Starters**

If you have a child starting in September in Reception, we have sent out an electronic admission form to be completed as soon as possible to the email address that was on the application. If you haven't received a form please let our office know by emailing: bursar@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk There will be a meeting for all parents of children starting Reception in September 2022 on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June (further details to come out soon).

#### Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As you know there is an additional bank holiday to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and we will be taking that on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June. The day after (Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June) is an INSET (training day) for teachers so school will be closed and we will be opening on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June** for everyone.

Over Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of that week we will be doing activities in school about this most significant moment in history.

On **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June** we will be having a special Platinum Jubilee picnic lunch outside (weather permitting) with bunting and balloons.

A further letter will go out with more details over the next few days.



#### **Support**

If anyone is struggling during these difficult times in any way at all please contact Mrs Wright on 01772 422503 or d.wright@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk who will be able to either give support or point you in the right direction.

You can also visit the Support page on our web-site where there are lots of links to groups and organisations that can help with whatever challenge you are facing at the moment.

#### **Headlice**

We have had a few reports of head lice over the last few days. Please could parents check their child/children's hair and **TREAT** if any lice are found. Thank you for your co-operation.

# **MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 23/05/2022**

Lunch menu (subject to change depending on deliveries) 23.05.2022				
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Desserts Choice	
Monday	Jacket Potato, Selection of Fillings, Salad	Soft Sandwich Roll, Crisps, Salad Sticks	Varied due to the current situation	
Tuesday	French Bread Pizza, Potato Wedges, Salad	Crispy Fish Finger Wrap, Potato Wedges, Salad	Varied due to the current situation	
Wednesday	Roast Beef Dinner, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Vegetables	Selection of Sandwiches, Salad, Crisps	Varied due to the current situation	
Thursday	Homemade Creamy Chicken Curry, Rice, Naan Bread	Sausage in a Bun (v), Tortilla Chips, Salad	Varied due to the current situation	
Friday	Summer Picnic Selection of Sandwiches, Sausage Roll, Crisps, Salad Sticks		Varied due to the current situation	

# Whole School Events/Dates Coming Up

Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	School closes for half-term holiday
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	School closed (Queen's Platinum Jubilee)
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	School closed (Teacher training day)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	School re-opens for Summer 2
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Platinum Jubilee Celebration and Learning week
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Special Platinum Jubilee Picnic (more details to follow)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Meeting for all parents of Reception children starting in September 2022
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Sports morning for Years 1 to 6
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Sports morning for EYFS (Nursery and Reception)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and Year 6 health screening checks (height and weight)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer PTFA BBQ (everyone invited after school to raise money for school and to get together as a whole school community for the first time in over two years)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Reports go out to parents (with option to come and talk to teacher if would like to)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	'The Lion King' - end of year show: Years 4 to 6 (afternoon and evening performances)
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am Reception (Rockets) class 'graduation' assembly (all parents invited)
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm	'Seven Stars has Talent' Show (parents invited)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 9.15am	Year 6 'Leavers' assembly
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2pm	School closes for the Summer holidays
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	School re-opens for the 2022-23 academic year

#### (other dates to be added when they have been arranged)

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.