

Weekly Newsletter

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21st October 2022

*'Where children
come first'*

Halloween Disco

A huge thank you to the PTFA and volunteers for organising our first disco of the year.

The children had a fantastically spooky time and we saw some wonderful dancing.

All the money raised will go towards equipment for the children in school so a big thank you if you bought a ticket.

Halloween Day (31st)



With Halloween being in the half-term holiday we are reminding all the children to keep safe if they go out trick or treating.

We have said to them:

Go with an adult (especially younger children).

Be polite and respectful to everyone (do not harass or do nasty 'tricks' on anyone - some people are genuinely frightened at this time of year and especially some elderly or younger residents).

Say thank you if anyone does provide a 'treat'.

Keep safe (do not go anywhere dangerous).

If any friends do not want to go trick or treating that's ok.

Pupil Parliament

A big thank you to our Pupil Parliamentarians.

We've had two meetings since they were appointed and they have given us some fantastic ideas about how to improve the school.

We will continue to move things forward with our Pupil Parliament over the next few months so their voice is heard and acted on.

PHONICS Shed

Our children learn to read in our school using Phonics Shed.

You can see what it is all about by visiting our school web-site

<https://seven-stars.lancsngfl.ac.uk/curriculum/phonics>

Year 6 High School Applications

The closing date for High School applications is Monday 31st October 2022 at:

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

Please make sure you apply in time (see the previous post on Class Dojo).

Let us know if you need help in applying.

Homework

Over the holidays please continue to listen to your child read AND enjoy a book with them (read it to them or listen to one being read on You Tube or other on-line platforms).

The children also have accounts and access to TT Rockstars to help them with their Maths as well as other on-line learning platforms.

You can also visit our school web-site where there are links to on-line learning.

If you want to create a poppy or poppy design over the holidays ready for our Remembrance Art when we get back you can.

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Volunteers

If anyone is interested in volunteering in school (either for fun, to help out or as a way of increasing your experience for future job applications) please get in touch.

We can then have a chat and we will send out an application form for you, sort out the DBS checks and then get you started.



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	Hunter – for enthusiasm, participation and loving books
Rockets	Charlie – for having a fantastic week
Dorado	Hayden – for believing in himself and building up self-esteem in learning
Orion	Mia – for wonderful poetry writing
Hercules	Cairo – for always contributing well in lessons Ryan – for impressing all his teachers with his fabulous work and attitude this half term
Pegasus	Tyler – for good effort with his work in class and sharing his ideas
Leo	Mia – for being very kind and caring, helping Millie complete her T-shirt in class
Phoenix	Tinuke – for amazing description in her story writing and an excellent effort in swimming

Positive Points (Top Dojo Points Rockets Only)	
Dorado	Bradley
Orion	Grace
Hercules	Marina
Pegasus	Holly
Leo	Savannah
Phoenix	Joey & Charlie

VIP (Values Inspired Person) – for demonstrating GRATITUDE	
Rockets	Ronnie
Dorado	Thomas
Orion	Robert
Hercules	Ellie
Pegasus	Lily-May
Leo	Millie
Phoenix	Sammi

SHINING STARS



Shining Stars	
Rockets	Max
Dorado	Isaac
Orion	Pippa
Hercules	Lexi
Pegasus	Jasmine
Leo	Katie
Phoenix	Ethan



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.

On-line Safety

Over the holidays children might go on-line more so please read the following steps to make sure they are safe and acting in a safe way (school will often find out if a child is bullying or being bullied on-line and we will take it very seriously):

- Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.
- Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share? (we have shared the Internet Tips leaflet on Class Dojo with you).
- Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.
- Encourage them to help. Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.
- Think about how you use the internet as a family. What could you do to get more out of the internet together and further enjoy your lives online.

The following link is really useful:

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>

OPAL and 'Messy' Play

Please send your child to school in a coat with a hood and make sure they have wellies in school.

If you are struggling to find or afford a coat or wellies **PLEASE** get in touch or send a message on Class Dojo (we have spare things in school that might fit or can probably find some).

A big thank you to those parents who have donated wellies and coats.

If you have any of the following items to help our children enjoy OPAL please bring them in to school - we will be so grateful!:

Wellies, coats, spare clothes your children may have grown out of

Suitcases of any size and type

Anything on wheels/casters

Plastic milk crates

Briefcases, especially hard cased ones

Road signs and cones

Kitchen pots, pans, baking trays, worktables, wooden spoons, chopping boards

Tools like spades, trowels and brooms

Tubes of various sizes and various materials

Buckets, nets and ropes

Keyboards

Fabric (large sheets/brightly coloured fabric)

Foam sheets / body boards

Wooden pallets

Metal frames, cable drums, guttering

Noodles (the type you use in the swimming pool!)

Pegs (to help to set up dens)

Old toys or scooters or dressing up clothes



Dates for when we get back

We have a number of events coming up after the half-term break for your diaries:

(we are not doing Children in Need this year as there is so much going on and we are already doing a lot to raise money).

Tuesday 1st November -	Children return to school (curriculum newsletters will go out on Class Dojo)
Tuesday 1st November 1.30pm -	ECO assembly in the hall for all the children (and launching an Eco club)
Thursday 3rd November 1.30pm -	OPAL (outdoor play and learning) open afternoon for all parents/carers
Friday 11th November 10.45am -	Remembrance Assembly
Monday 14th November -	Odd Socks day (the children can come to school in crazy/odd socks to celebrate diversity)
Monday 14th-Friday 18th November	Anti-Bullying week (lots of activities in school)
Wednesday 16th to Friday 18th November	Year 6 Hothersall Lodge residential adventure holiday
Thursday 24th November -	PARENTS AFTERNOON (in the hall) to talk to your child's teacher about how they are getting on in class with their learning: appointment times will be sent out in the first week back)
Thursday 8th December -	Christmas Lunch for the children
Thursday 8th December 3.30pm to about 5.30pm	PTFA CHRISTMAS BINGO (everyone invited)
Tuesday 13th December -	Nursery/Reception Christmas performance 9.30am to about 10.30am (in the hall) - Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance 1.30pm to about 3pm (in the hall)
Wednesday 14th December -	Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance 9.30am to about 11.00am (in the hall) - Nursery/Reception Christmas performance 1.30pm to about 2.45pm (in the hall)
Thursday 15th December 1.30pm -	Christingles & Carols assembly in the hall
Friday 16th December -	Shining Stars Assembly
Friday 16th December -	Break up for the Christmas Holidays at 2pm (After-school club finishes as 4pm)

Open Days

We have already had our open days for parents thinking of sending their children to our school in September 2023.

We have had some lovely comments from the new parents as they have walked around all the classes and in particular mentioned how well the children are working and how polite they all are

IF any parents have missed the open days and would like to look round again we will be having further Open Days after the half-term holidays.

The closing date for applications for starting Reception in September 2023 is 15th January 2023 at:

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

WHO TO CONTACT	
Key issue / reason for contact	Key contact and how
Your child's education including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions about learning & curriculum • Special Needs & Home Learning • General well-being (including medical needs) • Anything to do with class (behaviour, learning, friendships, advice about reading etc) 	Class teacher (via Class Dojo preferably if possible)
Special Educational Needs and Disability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child has an EHCP or is on the SEN Register talk to the class teacher first • For more detailed SEN advice & SEN related issues the class teacher will refer you to Mrs Walsh 	Class Teacher first on Class Dojo Mrs Walsh (SENCo) c.walsh@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk Or 01772 422503
Family support or advice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helping parents with advice and support • Help with support services e.g. food banks, bereavement, housing, ANY CONCERNS AT ALL • Help with safeguarding concerns 	Mrs Wright d.wright@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk Or 01772 422503
General queries about school and school policies including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School-money; payments • Free School Meals (applications/queries) • Breakfast club or after-school club • School admissions • Lunch menu • Medicines & medical queries • Health & Safety issues • School uniform • Requests for absence 	Mrs Pullin (Business Manager) Ms Dennett (School Office) MORNING Mrs Holme (School Office) AFTERNOON Email any queries to: office@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk OR through the contacts section on the web-site All general information is on the school website including request for absence forms. Go to: https://www.seven-stars.lancsngfl.ac.uk/
Attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback from requests for absence • Penalty notices for periods of absence • Support with helping your child attend school or get to school on time 	Miss Moor 01772 422503

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OPAL (Outdoor Play & Learning) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any items you can donate for the children to use at lunchtimes or help you can offer Any questions about OPAL (lunchtimes) 	Mrs Walsh c.walsh@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk Miss Moor 01772 422503
Complaints (or compliments!) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Something you are not happy about (talk to the Class Teacher first if it is class-based) Arrange a meeting with a Senior Leader in the school if it can't be resolved with the Class Teacher 	Mr Mitchell head@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk See the school Complaints Policy on the school web-site
PTFA - Parents, Teachers, Friends Association	Mrs Lowther / Mrs Bretherton / Miss Hickson 01772 422503

WE AIM TO GET BACK IN TOUCH WITHIN 3 WORKING DAY FOR ALL NON-URGENT QUERIES

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 31/10/2022

Lunch Menu 31.10.2022			
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Desserts Choice
Monday	Inset Day		
Tuesday	Brunch – Omelette, Hash Brown, Sausage, Beans	Mascarpone Pasta Bake, Garlic Bread	Ice Cream Roll Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Beef Dinner, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Vegetables	Selection of Sandwiches, Crisps, Salad	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Thursday	Bonfire Theme Lunch (see last page for menu)		
Friday	PICNIC DAY Selection of Sandwiches, Pizza Slice, Crisps, Salad Sticks		Choc Chip Cookie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit

Reminder school closes for half-term today returning to school on Tuesday 1st November

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.

BONFIRE NIGHT

NOVEMBER 5TH

Sizzling Sausages in a Finger Roll
with Tomato Sauce

or

Fizz Popping Pinwheel Pizza

Served with
Crispy Potato Wedges
& Baked Beans

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Sticky Toffee Parkin

Served with
Fruit Selection & Organic Milk

