

Weekly Newsletter

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*'Where children
come first'*

Parents Afternoon

It was so good having our first face to face parents' afternoon in over two years.

Thank you to all those parents who made appointments and were able to attend. Well done to our OPAL ambassador children who told the parents about the joys of OPAL and thank you to Miss Moor for putting the OPAL display together. It was great that Sarah from the Children and Family Well-being Service could also join us telling us about some of the events on in South Ribble over the next few weeks.

Our next parents' afternoon will take place in Spring term when we will be able to show you some of the children's books.

Hothersall Lodge

Our Year 6's returned from their residential adventure holiday last Friday having shown great determination and courage facing their fears and trying new things climbing trees, plunging in ponds, riding the zip-wires and taking part in several team building activities. We also had great fun together in the evenings in the games room. We were very proud of every single one of them.

OPAL & Mud

We have talked to the children several times this week about mud. Mud is such a wonderful thing and there are many benefits to playing in mud (the mud kitchen is a great activity the children enjoy at OPAL) but we don't want to send children home covered in mud and parents having to wash clothes every night.

We are in the process of getting more all in one suits for children and we are encouraging the children to only go on the mud if they are wearing wellies and their coats.



Christmas Shop

We are opening our Christmas shop on Monday (28th) where there will be items for sale ranging from 50p upwards. This is for children to buy an affordable present for their family or friends (or something for themselves).

Christmas PTFA Bingo

Thursday 8th December after school

Everyone is invited to a Bingo event where there will be lots of fun as we get eyes down and see who can be the first to get a line or even a 'full house' to win some chocolate and have a bit of fun together. There will be supper served, colouring sheets and it will be wonderful coming together before Christmas.



Christmas Post-Box

We will be bringing out the Christmas post-box on Thursday 1st December. Children can send cards to their friends by posting their cards in the box. Please make sure they write the names and class on the envelope so it gets to the right person.

Holiday Activities

South Ribble Borough Council and South Ribble Leisure have planned a week of activities this Christmas by offering a 'HAF' programme of 'FREE activities and food' to children and families at local leisure centres!

This holiday provision is for school aged children from reception to year 11 (inclusive) who receive benefits-related free school meals. Benefits-related free school meals (FSM) are available to pupils if their parents are in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits, and have a claim verified by their school or local authority.

Full details of the programme and how to book are attached and can be found at

<https://southribble.gov.uk/haf>

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	Elliot – for using his words to make requests and enjoying the feeling of being proud about all of his achievements in class
Rockets	Mikey – for working hard and always trying his best
Dorado	Harper – for coming into school happy and always trying her best
Orion	Mia – for amazing story writing
Hercules	Lucas – for working hard to improve his handwriting
Pegasus	Eloise – for her opinions and contributions in whole class reading
Leo	Maizy
Phoenix	Whole Class – for their amazing behaviour at Hothersall

Positive Points (Top Dojo Points Rockets Only)	
Dorado	Best
Orion	Matilda
Hercules	Lexi & Lawson
Pegasus	Aurelia & Eloise
Leo	Sophie & Emmie
Phoenix	Jessie

VIP (Values Inspired Person) – for demonstrating EMPATHY	
Rockets	Lucy
Dorado	Isabella
Orion	Avayah
Hercules	Nyko
Pegasus	Alex
Leo	Lily
Phoenix	Finlay

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 Hercules class for getting the highest attendance over the last full week and Phoenix for only 1 late person

14.11.22 – 18.11.22 ATTENDANCE		
Class	Lates	% attendance
Rockets	5	94.5
Dorado	8	89.7
Orion	4	89.6
Hercules	7	99.6
Pegasus	10	93
Leo	13	96.2
Phoenix	1	92.5

Cost of Living Market Place - Monday 28th November

Please click on the link below for a 'Cost of Living' Market place event on Monday 28th November

Drop-in between 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Civic Centre, West Paddock for all residents of Leyland/South Ribble

There will be a range of stalls from agencies such as Citizens Advice Bureau, DWP, LFRS and Progress Housing. Each one will have an offer of practical help.

There will be tea and coffee with seating so that people can stay for as long as they like, as well as breakout spaces if people prefer a quieter space to talk.

In addition, we will be running a uniform bank and pop up food shop (on a take-what-you-need basis) in the Paddock Room throughout the afternoon.

The Dr Bike team will be in the courtyard offering free bike servicing and minor repairs from 4pm.

A Community Conversation space will also be set out

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1105866046791905/>

Important Dates Coming Up

Monday 28th November - Christmas Shop open all week (or until stocks run out)

Thursday 1st December - Own Clothes day (for chocolate)

Thursday 1st December - first day of Christmas Post-box for Christmas cards

Thursday 8th December - Christmas Lunch for the children

Thursday 8th December - Christmas (or Cosy) jumper day

Thursday 8th December 3.30pm to about 5.30pm: PTFA CHRISTMAS BINGO (everyone invited)

Thursday 8th December - special visitor to the school

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. Dioramas & Carols in the hall

Friday 16th December - Shining Stars Assembly

Friday 16th December - Break up for the Christmas Holidays at **2pm** (After-school club finishes at 4pm)

Wednesday 4th January - School re-opens

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 28/11/2022

Lunch Menu WEEK 1 - 28.11.2022			
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Desserts Choice
Monday	Quorn Pasta Bolognese, Crusty Bread, Broccoli	Baked Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings, Salad	Syrup Sponge & Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	Pork or Veggie Sausages, Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Carrots	Baked Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings, Salad	Fresh Fruit Medley Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots	Cheese and Tomato Calzone, Tortilla Chips, Salad Sticks	Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Thursday	Traditional Cottage Pie, Mixed Vegetables	Tomato & Sweet Pepper Pasta, Crusty Bread, Salad	Mini Shortbread Biscuit Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Friday	Homemade Pizza Margherita, Chips or Pasta Salad, Veggie Sticks, Dips	Golden Crumb Fish Fingers, Chips or New Potatoes, Peas, Sweetcorn	Chocolate Cookie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit

THE KITCHEN WILL NO LONGER BE DOING TOAST AND FRUIT AT BREAKTIME

Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell*

REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE (class and school information)

Remember to like us on Facebook and Twitter

