Weekly Newsletter

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20th October 2023 Where children come first

STEM (Science,Technology, Engineering and Maths) Week

We have had an amazing week of Science investigations,

experiments, research and fun - thanks to Mrs Wheatland our Science subject leader for organising a great STEM week.

On Monday the '**Science Boffins'** (Boffin Joel) was in school. The children learnt about plasma, polymers and 'fantastic flames' (very dramatic - don't try it at home!) Lots of interesting facts were shared about the chemistry behind the demonstrations and experiments. There was a whole school assembly and then workshops throughout the day.

Thank you to those children who contributed £1 towards the cost of this amazing event

Our **STEM fair** took place on Wednesday in the hall and it was so great seeing so many parents and carers turning up to see what the children were up to. A big thank you to the Year 6 helpers and to all those who assisted from all the classes in making a fantastic event happen. We had chemical explosions, rainbow making stations, fingerprint investigations, magnets and planets research, observations and identification of rocks and so much more. Well done to everyone involved.

Year 6 - High School – Apply

Now

YEAR 6 FAMILIES REMEMBER TO APPLY FOR YOUR CHILD'S HIGH SCHOOL PLACE BEFORE



31st OCTOBER 2023 on-line at https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/childreneducation-families/schools/apply-for-aschool-place/starting-secondary-school/

PTFA Halloween Disco

A spookily scary success with some very imaginative and spine-tingling costumes and lots of brilliant dancing. The children had great fun and a big thank you once again to the PTFA and their team of helpers for putting it all together.

Basketball Festival

South Ribble sports coaches came into school on Friday (today) and delivered training sessions on Basketball skills to children from Nursery to Year 6. This is part of our whole school PE/Sport offer to widen opportunities for all children to experience a variety of sports and the children loved it.

RESPECT

Our school value focus for the next few weeks is 'Respect'. We are trying to teach our children what it means to respect each other, adults, themselves and their environment. To show respect in what we say, how we say it and in what we do.

They will be learning songs, watching videos and hopefully at the end of it understanding what respect looks like in real life and begin to truly live with Respect as one of their core values.

SHINING STARS

Well done to all of our Shining Stars children who have managed to achieve the highest award that we give out each half-term. Our Shining Stars



are those children who are a great example to everyone in school with their effort, attitude and behaviour.



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	Amara – for always being ready to learn and for her enthusiasm for stories	
Rockets	George – for being an enthusiastic learner	
Dorado	Jaxon – for having a wonderful week working hard and doing well	
Orion	Thomas – for an excellent attitude towards all his work this week	
Hercules	Ella – for consistently working hard and being a Micro bit expert	
Pegasus	Filip – for always working hard and being kind and helpful to others	
Apollo	Beth – for working hard all week	
Leo	Aurelia – for having an excellent attitude to learning and participating in	
	lessons	
Phoenix	Cohen – for producing a brilliant piece of English work	

Positive Points (Top Dojo Points Rockets Only)		
Dorado	Max	
Orion	Nelly	
Hercules	Chloe	
Pegasus	Jay-Jay	
Leo	Isabella	
Phoenix	Liam	

SHINING STARS		
Rockets	Sammy	
Dorado	Alicia	
Orion	Nelly	
Hercules	Ava-Leigh	
Pegasus	Kian	
Leo	Ruby	
Phoenix	Kaiden	
Galaxy	Millie	

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.



Happy Half Term Holiday

Headteacher's Newsletter Page 3 **MENU FOR AUTUMN/WINTER 2023/24** We are now following the Lancashire County Council menu for the remainder of 2023 up to the end of Spring term 2024. The new menu will be uploaded to the school website. Paper copies are available from the Office. Please be aware we may need to change a lunch choice at short notice if deliveries are running late etc. **Events Coming Up** Monday 30th October: children return to so Week starting 13th November: Anti-bullying Week children return to school from half-term holiday Monday 13th November: Odd Socks Day (come to school in odd socks as a way of saying it's ok to be 'oddish' because we are all unique in some way) Wednesday 15th November to Friday 17th November - Year 6 at Hothersall Lodge residential Tuesday 21st November : SF Saib author visiting Years 5 and 6 (with some books he will sign) Friday 24th November: SCHOOL CLOSED due to INSET (teacher training) day Monday 27th November: ROCK KIDZ anti-bullying event with a live rock band and lots of fun Thursday 30th November : Nasal flu vaccinations (for those who have agreed to the vaccinations) Wednesday 6th December: Parents afternoon/early evening Thursday 14th December : Christmas Lunch (and jumper) day Christmas performances (more details after half-term)

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Rock Kidz will be joining us again in the Autumn term - watch this space for when (and they will be focusing on the theme of anti-bullying)

Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell* **REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE** (class and school information) Remember to like us on Facebook and Twitter



School Code of Conduct Please be kind and respectful at all times