

22nd November 2024

Information!

We have almost hit silly season and school is very much a hive of preparation for lots of different Advent and Christmas events. Next week, we will send out a diary of all the events which are happening in and around school, from now until the end of term. Please make sure you read this, so you know what is happening and when.

Also, we have noticed that lunch orders for the children are not being booked onto parent pay. This not only cuts into our morning learning time but also means that parents are only paying for the meals in arrears. In a few months, we will be changing our systems over, from parent pay to Arbor and lunches and breakfast/after school clubs need to be paid for in advance. To ensure a smooth transition from one system to the next, please can you book lunches via parent pay rather than children choosing on the day. Some children are also leaving a lot of their dinner as they are not sure what the meal is when they order it. Taking time, going through the menu each week and explaining with your child what the lunch is, will hopefully ensure your child eats more and reduces the food wastage. Thankyou to those parents who always book for lunches and breakfast/afterschool club in advance, it cuts down a lot of lost time not only for the children but also for staff.

Next Monday at 6.30pm our choir will be joining the other Garstang schools to switch on Garstang's Christmas Lights. This year it is on the square at Booths. Please come and support us and join in with the carols.



Being Prepared!

On Sunday we heard about the time when Jesus will come again. We do not know when this will be, but we must try to be ready. During worship the children shared with each other how we get ready for other special events in our lives.

Jesus says that nobody except God knows when Jesus will come again. But as his followers we should still try to be ready to greet him when he comes. How do you think we can be ready for Jesus? What kind of people should we be so that we are ready for Jesus?

The children were able to share many ideas and we certainly have many thoughtful and caring pupils at our school. All thoughts are displayed on our worship table in the entrance.

We can try to be ready by doing all that Jesus asks of us. By loving God and one another and by helping other people. By living in peace with each other and by sharing what we have so that all people have enough

God of power, show us how to live in peace and harmony with each other, so that we may be ready to welcome your Son Jesus when he comes again in glory. Amen.

Upcoming Events

November

22nd November- Robin class mass

Hot Chocolate fundraiser

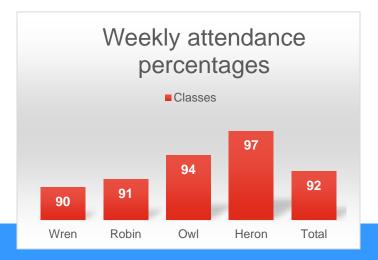
25th November- Garstang Light Switch on

29th November- last day of clubs Wren class mass

Attendance

This week our attendance percentage has taken a huge hit with different illnesses and other reasons. Please can you do your very best to bring your children to school every day. Some times children improve throughout the day when they are not well so encouraging them into school in the morning is probably the best thing. If they are unwell we will contact you.

If you ever have any issues in getting your child to school please contact school and we can always help.



December

4th December- OLHS Advent service

5th December- Y5/6 basket ball @ GCA

6th December- Advent school mass @ 10am

8th December PTA panto visit

9th & 10th December- Heron bikeability

11th December- Infant nativity @ 6pm

12th December- Infant nativity @ 9am

16th December- Christmas party day

17th December- Winter Wonderland @ 2.30pm Lancaster Singers Carol concert

19th December- Christmas Jumper Day Christmas dinner

20th December- Carols round the tree

Close for Christmas @ 1pm

Blue Badge Awards (Service)

Wren - Naylan B

Robin - Lochie M

Owl - Jonah D

Heron – Brodie H

Rising Star Awards (Science):

Wren - Fraser B

Robin - Hazel C

Owl -Thea Roskell

Heron - Scarlett K

Writing:

Wren - Evie S

Robin - Lettie P

Owl - Lara N & James T

Heron - Albert M

Admissions

Just a reminder for those children who have a 4th birthday between 1st September 2024 and 31st August 2025 that admissions are now open for a primary place. Please use the link below

For those who are in Year 6, secondary places are also open. <u>Lancashire Admissions</u>