



Friday 12th July 2024

# Headteacher's Message

In this penultimate bulletin of the year, I would like to thank parents for their support and contributions throughout the year. We are disappointed that we have not been able to end the year with our usual Presentation Evening, however given that England made it to the semi-finals of the Euros, we do feel this was the correct decision for us. This event will take place in the new academic year, and we shall celebrate the successes of our students in our end of year assembly.

Next Thursday is our rewards trip but those staying in school can expect a fun filled day, with lots of alternative activities taking place in school. Students on the rewards trip should be suitably dressed for a full day outdoors. Last year was particularly cold!

Please can I also ask parents to ensure that they have the correct uniform for their children next year.

Please click [here](#) to read our school's uniform policy. Uniform can be purchased directly from [here](#).

Mrs V Arden  
Headteacher



## IMPORTANT DATES

18/07/2024 - Reward Trips Day

19/07/2024 - End of summer term  
**Finish at 12.30pm**

02/09/2024 - Inset Day  
**School closed to students**

03/09/2024 - School reopens to all students

10/09/2024 - Year 11 Geography field trip to Bowness

13/09/2024 - Year 7 & 11 photos

03/10/2024 - Open Evening



## Shortcut links

[Online Safety Newsletter](#)

[Awards](#)

[Whole School Messages](#)

[School Avoidance letter](#)

[Y11 Prom Photobook](#)

[Penalty Notice Fines](#)



House with Highest Attendance			Voyager		
Form with Highest Attendance	<b>Challenger C1</b>	<b>Apollo A1</b>	<b>Endeavour E3</b>	<b>Voyager V3</b>	<b>Discovery D3</b>
100% Attendance Golden Ticket	Challenger Lexi M-P C1	Apollo Millie W A3	Endeavour Vinny R E5	Voyager Charlie M V3	Discovery Shaun D D4

House with Most Positives			Voyager		
Form with the most Positives	<b>Challenger C4</b>	<b>Apollo A5</b>	<b>Endeavour E5</b>	<b>Voyager V2/V3</b>	<b>Discovery D1</b>
Kindness Golden Ticket	Challenger Alfie M C1	Apollo Harry S A3	Endeavour Levi B E6	Voyager Oliver F V6	Discovery Alicia M D8
Most Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Josh C C4	Apollo Fariya J A5	Endeavour Ethan W E4	Voyager Evie W V6	Discovery Bethany Y D8
Most Homework Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Jenson C C3	Apollo Lexie D A1	Endeavour Connor H E6	Voyager Blake F V3	Discovery Hamza E D2
Most Improved Student	Challenger Ruby O C1	Apollo Riley D A2	Endeavour Asha N E5	Voyager Poppy G V4	Discover Logan G D5

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## Golden Ticket Friday



Due to a number of reasons, the reward of Hot Chocolate was changed slightly this week ... The following students were given a Golden Ticket, which enabled them to go to the front of the queue for a snack at breaktime. There are a variety of reasons why students have been nominated. Fantastic work all of you - keep it up!

Holly B, Grace L, Niamh R, Daisy B, Layla S, Abigail G, Harley L, Thomas P, Amy-May H - For helping out on Transition Day

Shaun D - For improving lefthanded basketball dribbling and layups

Alfie G - For improving Vertical Jump height in basketball and positive conduct in the fitness suite

Rylee H, Dylan G, Mark K - For excellent contributions to reading lessons

Alex D - For a great attitude to learning in Science

Rylee A - For really improving on report

Braydon A, Harvey R - For being fantastic referees during the WLD Euros

# FANTASTIC



## Homework Champions

The year group with the most homework submissions for this week is Year 8, closely followed by Year 10.

The individual winners of the golden tickets and postcards home for this week are:

Year 7 - Alicia M (D8) and Hamza E (D2)

Year 8 - Tegan E (D1) and Dominik P (E5)

Year 9 - Jacob C (D2) and Layla S (A1)

Year 10 - Aaron M (V3) and Lucy S (C2)





## Stationery Shop

Students can buy stationery every morning from our prefects who run the stationery shop. This a cash run shop but the cost of items is very low and part of our support for students to be READY to learn.

## Drinks Bottle

Please could we remind parents to send their child to school with a refillable drinks bottle to allow them to get water at the water fountains throughout the day, as we are unable to provide cups for them to use.

**Water Bottles are now available to purchase from Stationery Shop every morning at a cost of £1. Thank you.**



## Parent Pay

Please can all parents check and top up their child's account where necessary. We have a lot of children with a negative balance and we need this topping up by the end of the school week. Thank you.

## Lunch Menu

Over the next few weeks the lunch menu will not be as stated on the school website, due to year 11 leaving and school trips. We will always have a vegetarian option everyday and a hot main, but we will be going from 3 choices in the dining hall down to 2. Along with the normal Jacket potatoes, sandwiches and the usual hot food in the canopy. We will be back to normal in September with a lovely new exciting menu.

## Uniform

All orders placed online for uniform/stationery packs will need to be collected by students from the Uniform Shop at break time.



## Contact Details

Please inform school via schoolcomms if you have changed email / home address / phone number recently so that our records can be kept up to date. Thank you.

## National Tutoring Programme

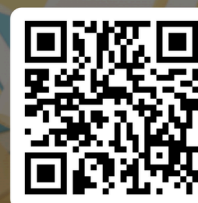
If your child has received after school tutoring this academic year, please complete this short survey:

**[CLICK HERE FOR SURVEY](#)**

Please encourage your child to complete the student survey, shared on Teams, via email and ClassCharts.

I really appreciate your feedback - Mr Moorcroft

National Tutoring Programme:  
Parent Survey



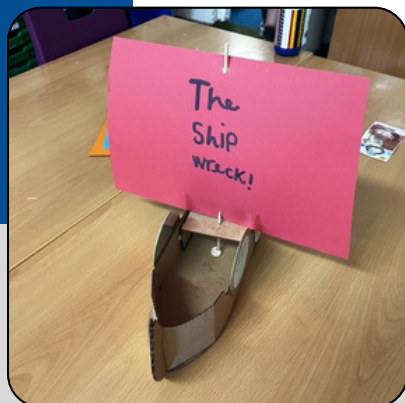
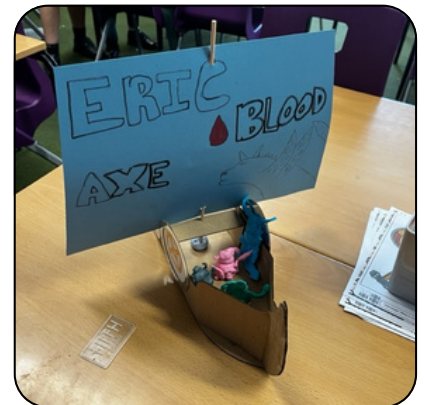
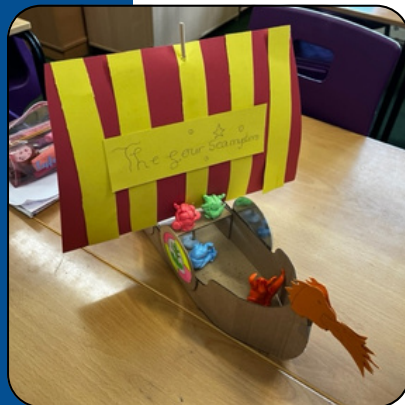
# DT

## Brockholes Wood Primary School

This week the DT department visited Brockholes Wood Primary School providing them with a mini workshop where students were tasked to create design ideas and model work related to the Vikings after the students had completed work about this topic earlier in the year. Students worked individually as well as in teams of 4 for the opportunity to experience design collaboration and compete against one another to model a final piece.

The winning team was chosen by their class teacher, and they will have their clay Viking 'Gonk' models transformed in house at WLD on the 3D Scanner & Printer to be presented back to them.

It was a real pleasure for all on the day, the children were enthusiastic, polite and respectful to all. Needless to say the students are excited more than ever to come and join us this September but we here in DT are looking forward to delivering our projects with these creative individuals. And I think you will agree too based upon the photos of their final outcomes!





## The Choice Programme

The Your Choice Programme is delivered in schools by Lancashire Child and Youth Justice Service to provide support and education around various topics. We work alongside the pastoral team to help explore which children would benefit from attending this programme.

### What can the Your Choice Programme help with?

We work with children and young people to provide a safe space where they can discuss challenges they face within their communities and help encourage positive and sustainable change for the future. The different sessions the Your Choice Programme includes:

Online Safety -17th July  
Exploitation – 15th July

If you feel your child would benefit from one of the above sessions, please speak to **Mrs Sheridan** in school.



## Homework Support

There will be no after school homework club on Tuesday due to staff training.



## FSM Vouchers

The FSM vouchers will be ordered for the summer break, £90 per child and they will be emailed directly from Edenred around 22nd July. Please note the school will not be open to deal with any queries until we return in September.



## Sports Day

We had our Sports Day today! Check out next weeks bulletin to see photos and an update on the winning house!





## Student absence reporting

Please see the link to our website [here](#) where you will find information on reporting student absences. We only use Classcharts and Schoolcomms as the only two methods of notification – **please do not ring or email school**. If your child has a medical appointment, please upload a copy of this evidence onto Classcharts. If you have received notification of your child not registering in school, please respond via either Schoolcomms or Classcharts – **please do not ring**.

Although we ask parents/carers to refrain from booking medical appointments during school time, we understand there may be times that this cannot be helped. Therefore, please can we ask you to specify on Classcharts: what time your child needs to leave site and whether they are getting picked up or making their own way to their appointment along with any supporting evidence of the appointment so we can authorise their absence.

If you do not have access to Classcharts, please contact your child's HAL. Please could we also remind parents/carers that they need to complete the Classcharts notification, and these are not to be made by students or siblings.



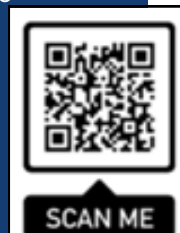
## Safeguarding

If you have concerns for a child's welfare and you require advice, please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 6720. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 0300 123 6722.

For a child who resides in the Blackburn area, please ring the Children's advice and duty service on 01254 666400. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 01254 587547.

If you have immediate concerns for a child, please dial 999 and ask for the Police. For mental health support services, please see the links below for information and contact details:

- Kooth – all anonymous and over text (there is an app to download)
- School Nursing Service – 11-19 years olds can text their school nurse on 07507330510 or scan the QR code to contact them via Chat Health, for anonymous advice 9-5pm =
- Shout – Text SHOUT to 85258 (more of a crisis line if struggling to cope)
- Papyrus – Prevention for young suicide contact: 0800 068 4141
- Samaritans – for support call 116 113 for free or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)
- <https://www.lscft.nhs.uk/our-services/service-finder-z/children-and-young-peoples-psychological-services>
- Young Minds – Crisis messenger is a free 24/7 UK service. Text 'YM' to 85258



## Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

The next round of HAF will take place during the summer holidays and there will be more on offer this year than ever. The HAF programme is in place to ensure all children get the chance to have healthy happy holidays so they can:

- **be more active**
- **learn new skills**
- **meet up with friends and make new ones**
- **get a tasty nutritious meal**
- **work together and stay safe**



The activities on offer will help to increase self-esteem and improve wellbeing. There will also be advice and information on healthy eating and nutrition, but the focus is on fun and friends.

If your child or young person is eligible, they will be able to attend at least 4 days of HAF provision, the length of each daily session will be at least 4 hours in length and a meal will be provided.

**Please follow this link for further information:**

**<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/school-holiday-activities/>**



# FREE Summer Lunches

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July –  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2024

11.30am-1pm

*Family Hub Livesey*

*Family Hub Darwen*

*Family Hub Shadsworth*

*Family Hub Little Harwood*

*Hancock Street Childrens Centre*

To Register please  
call 01254 585000  
or drop in to one of  
our Family  
Hubs/Childrens  
Centres



**Family  
Hub**



Darwen | Little Harwood | Livesey | Shadsworth



# LOOKING FOR THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER?

ARE YOU OR IS YOUR CHILD IN RECEIPT OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME 2024  
SUMMER IN LANCASHIRE: EAT, PLAY, REPEAT!



There's so much to do across Lancashire



Scan me to find out more, or call in to your local Family Hub.

[lancashire.gov.uk/events](https://lancashire.gov.uk/events)



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