

Friday 8th December 2023 Newsletter

What an amazing week we have had. The year 6 children have represented school in a Dodgeball competition at Carr Hill High School, they have also visited Carr Hill to watch High School Musical. It was wonderful to see a child that came to our school in the starring role.

We also welcomed our SIAMs inspector Mrs Angela Knowles in school yesterday. The children thoroughly enjoyed showcasing our school. The report will be available to read in January 2024.

Please join Rev Tracy in St Paul's Church for the Christingle this Sunday at 6.15pm.

Thank you to all our families for supporting our annual Christmas Fair, we raised £251.57.

Enjoy your weekend,

Take care,

Mrs Dean

Our Gospel Value this half term is ...

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. John 14: 27

In Jesus' teaching 'peace' is an almost tangible element. It is his gift to his disciples. Paul describes God as the God of peace, the Christian message is called the 'gospel of peace' and peace is one of the 'fruits of the Spirit'.

You may have heard the word 'shalom' used for peace in the Hebrew of the Old Testament. It is a very close cousin of the Arabic word Salaam. The Biblical concept of peace is not just the absence of war. It includes peace with God, positive harmony and healthy relationships between people. It involves spiritual as well as material security. Peace is a state of true wholeness, a state of well-being.

These are some Bible stories you might like to share with your family this weekend.

Calming the Storm Matthew 8:23-27



Peace on Earth Luke 2:14





Class	Attendance for last week
Opal	96.84%
Pearl	81.76%
Emerald	97.33%
Topaz	86.79%
Sapphire	78%
Amethyst	86.67%



This leaves:		whole school	school progress year has 365 day only has 190 day: time visits, holido	/s. s.	appointments	
No	10 days	12 days	19 days	29 days	38 days	
absence	absence	absence	absence	absence	e absence	
Very Good The best chance of success! Gets your child off to a flying start.	180 days of Education 95%	178 days of Education 94% Worrying Less chance of success! Makes it harder for your child to make progress.		161 days of Education 85% Serious concer Your children find it diffication and progress This macresult in finance and concertions.	152 days of Education D 80% cuit e st	
He/she is only missing	That equals		Which is?		And over 13 years of schooling that's	
10 minutes per day	50 minutes p	er week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year		Half a year	
20 minutes per day	1 hr 40mins per week		Over 2.5 weeks per year		Almost 1 year	
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week		4 weeks per year		Nearly 1½ years	
l hour per day	1 day per week		8 weeks per year		Over 2½ and a half years	
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year		4 weeks per year		Nearly 1 ½ years	
1 day per week	40 days per year		8 weeks per year		Over 2 ½ years	
2 days per week	80 days per year		16 weeks per year		Over 5 years	
	120 days per year					

If your child is absent from school it is important that you inform school as soon as possible and before 8:45am. Please try and ensure your child is in school every day ...

It really does make a difference.

If your child has a medical/dental appointment during school time, please ensure that a copy of the appointment card/letter is given to the school office in advance of the appointment date and advise the time you will need to collect your child on the day of their appointment.





There are no birthdays to celebrate this week!



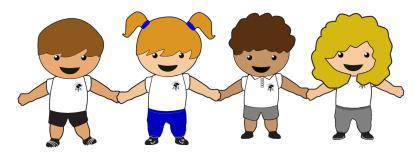
Well done to our star's of the week Evelyn, Mason, Mikhail, Rayan, Joseph, Nawar and Willow

HOUSE POINTS

Congratulations to St. Andrew's for earning the most House Points this week!



PE Kits Autumn 2023



Polite reminder children must only wear school PE kit (no football shirts and shorts allowed) on their allocated PE days. We are also asking parents to ensure their children have a plain black sweatshirt/hoodie or zipper with black joggers/leggings. These can be purchased from any high street store/supermarket at a lower cost than any branded uniform/clothes. Children will be allowed to wear trainers on their PE day. Please ensure all clothing items are named.

If you are struggling to purchase any school uniform items please contact

Mrs Dean directly.



Reception children - due to start primary school in September 2014

The statutory closing date is 15th January 2014.

Please find the link below from Lancashire County Council to apply for a Primary School place.

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

If you would like a tour of the school then please do not hesitate to contact the school office.





The Infants Nativity will take place on Thursday 14th December 2023 with performances at 1.30pm and 4.30pm. All families are invited to attend both performances and tickets are available from the school office. The children will be taking part in a full dress rehearsal on Monday 11th December 2023 and all costumes will need to be in school no later than this date. In addition, please ensure that you have returned the permission slip sent home earlier this week.



There is nothing quite like the joy of a Christmas pantomime to get you into the festive mood! As a whole school, we have booked to see a matinee performance of Jack & the Beanstalk on Monday 18th December 2023 at Lowther Pavilion Theatre in Lytham. The cost of the trip is £10.00 per child and payment can be made using your ParentPay account. Alternatively, please ask the school office for a PayPoint letter. The deadline for payment is Wednesday 13th December 2023.



To keep up to date with everything that is going on in school, please ensure that you have accepted your invitation for Class Dojo.





14.12.23			
14.12.23	Infant Nativity 1:30pm and 4:30pm		
18.12.23	Jack & the Beanstalk Pantomime		
19.12.23	Carols by Candlelight in Church 3:30pm		
20.12.23	Christmas Party morning/Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day School closes 1:30pm for Christmas Holidays		
4.1.24	School re-opens 8:45am		
9.2.24	Close for half term		
19.2.24	School re-opens 8:45am		
28.3.24	School closes for Easter at 1:30pm		
15.4.24	School reopens at 8:45am		
6.5.24	School Closed due to May Bank holiday		
13.5.24	KS2 Sats		
23.5.24	Sports Day 1:15pm		
24.5.24	School Closes for Half term 3:15pm		
6.6.24	School re-opens 8:45am		
10.7.24	Year 6 End of Production 1:30pm and 5:00pm		
11.7.24	Borwick Hall		
16.7.24	EYFS Graduation		
22.7.24	Leavers Service for Year 6		
23.7.24	School closes at 1:30pm		