



St Lawrence Church of England Primary School

Newsletter 7 – Friday 20th October 2023



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Diary Dates

Mon 30 th Oct	School re-opens
Tues 31 st Oct	Year 6 to the Tower wood residential trip
Thurs 2 nd Nov	Year 5 Pizza making trip at Pizza Express
Set 4 th Nov	Bonfire - Barton Village hall - details to follow
Sun 12 th Nov	Remembrance service - St Lawrence's Church 10.30am
Tues 14 th Nov	Library bus
Sat 25 th Nov	Christmas Fayre - Barton village hall
Thurs 30 th Nov	Year 1 trip to Judges Lodgings - details to follow
Tues 5 th Dec	Library bus
Mon 11 th Dec	Infant Nativity 6pm - details to follow
Tues 12 th Dec	Infant Nativity 2pm & 6pm - details to follow
Wed 13 th Dec	Community carol concert - details to follow
Mon 18 th Dec	Whole school trip to the panto - details to follow

If you are concerned about any aspect of school life, we want to know about it as soon as possible. Don't delay, call today! Tel 01772 862664



Star of the week -Korey Spencer Funnell and Filomena Iorizzo in Nursery, Bella Low, Harnie Brandwood and Lucas Carter in Reception, Lola Farman and Alyaanah Mal in Year 1, William Everest and Woody Ferguson in Year 2, Aisha Salyani, William Dunkley and Oliver O'Neil in Year 3, Isabella Gray and Idunnu Oludotun-Fasanya in Year 4, Ahmad Mustafa Abdullah and Eva Walmsley in Year 5, Isaac Chaloner and Zahra Mustafa Abdullah in Year 6

Headteachers Award - Jenny Lonsdale and Magnus Low



Well done to Minnie Charnley who has achieved a new status on TTRockstars



Well done to Farishtah Khan, Maryam Debar and Nabeeha Choudhury who all achieved their Bronze reading awards.

PARKING ON BARTON MANOR - Please park with care and consideration when using the Barton Manor Carpark. This week the hotel manager was in a near miss with a hastily driven vehicle as she walked towards the entrance of the hotel. This has understandably left her concerned about the safety of hotel guests and our own school pupils. Our use of the carpark, which is as the generosity of the hotel owners, has made a huge difference to the congestion in and around Jepps Ave. We really cannot afford to lose this. In the interests of the safety and our ongoing relationship with the hotel, please do take extra care!

POPPIES - We have official poppies, wristbands and various poppy items for sale in the main reception. You are welcome to come and have a look and make a donation in the collection box. All money goes to Royal British legion.



CAREERS WEEK - This week, we have held a Careers Week in school for Years 5 and 6. The children have been inspired by many members of our community who came into their classes to tell them all about their career. We had a very eclectic mix:

fire service, BAE systems, police, ecologist and wildlife author, professional footballer, food industry expert, Photographer and a BBC presenter! We are so very lucky to have so much inspiration to draw from in our very own community! The children listened well, asked many questions and took a lot away from the experience. Many thanks to all the adults who were able to give up their time to speak to our children this week- it is very much appreciated!

MONEY MATTERS- DEBT AWARE WORKSHOP - This week, Year 5 and 6 have had their first Money Matters workshop led by the charity, Debt Aware, which aims to educate young people in how to manage finances to be able to ultimately lead happy lives, free from harmful debt. This first module was on the theme of 'Needs and Wants' - Brian Souter and his colleague from the charity provided the children with so much valuable information in a very engaging and fun way. Year 5 and 6 are very much looking forward to completing the programme over the course of the year.

WW2 WORKSHOP - Last week, Year 6 had the very exciting experience of a World War 2 workshop, in which they re-enacted an air raid and learned about the Blitz and the Homefront. The second half of workshop was very interesting and certainly challenged our thinking, as it was focussed on 'The German Perspective'. The children gained new insights into the second world war by having the opportunity ask questions and listen to someone whose family lived through the war in Germany.

SPORT NEWS - Congratulations to Elliot Newby who has been selected for the Preston Town Team. He is one of twelve children to be picked from the area. Well done Elliot; we are incredibly proud of you!

NUTS AND GRAPES - This is a reminder that children should **not bring any nuts and grapes** in to school and if your child is bringing cherry tomatoes, then these **must be cut in half lengthways** as they are a choking hazard. This includes nut based spread and chocolate/ snack bars.

500 WORDS STORY WRITING COMPETITION - 500 words is the UK's most successful writing competition and is open for 5-11 year olds. There are two categories one for age 5-7 year olds and one for 8 - 11 year olds. Stories are to be submitted on the website by the 10th November. This is a fantastic opportunity for young writers- see the website for more details: www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words



Mrs Sharp will be more than happy to help any children with their stories and would love to read them! Children can find her at lunchtimes between now and the 10th November if they would like to share them or ask for any advice.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY- YEAR 6 CHURCH PRESENTATION - Sunday 12th November marks Remembrance Sunday and we would like to invite everyone to come and join us in St Lawrence Church for the service at 10.30am. As usual, the Kings Royal Hussars will be in attendance and a bugler will sound the last post following a two minute silence at 11:00. This is always a very moving service and it is a privilege to open our church to the military who are always so grateful of the

children's support. Year 6 are to have an important role in the very special church service at St Lawrence's. To honour this, and as part of our learning in our WW2 topic, Year 6 will be presenting to the congregation, which will include members of the military and our local community. We would love to see as many of our Year 6 children there as possible. Year 6 should be in church by 10:15 please. The military will be in uniform and we request that children attending the service are also in full school uniform please.

PTFA - We need YOU! PTFA are raising vital funds to improve the pathway from the Barton Manor entrance across the field before it becomes impassable. We have managed to raise some of the money needed but, as the work will be completed over the half term holiday, we are desperately trying to raise the remainder. As this is now a matter of urgency we are looking for donations by way of a pledge to help us. We will of course be continuing our exciting child focused events alongside this plea. Any donation welcome, if you are able to help, through ParentPay please. Please watch the PTFA video some children have made to help our cause using the link below!

<https://www.st-lawrence.lancs.sch.uk/page/ptfa/92190>



BONFIRE NIGHT & FIREWORK DISPLAY - **Saturday 4th November at Barton Village Hall.**

Food, sweets and drinks are available when gates open from 5.45pm, the fire is being lit from 6.15pm and the firework display will start at 6.45pm.

Entrance is payable in cash on the gate or in advance by debit or credit card through Parentpay; £5 per adult and £2.50 per child. Courtesy of Barton Manor hotel Hot pot, Butter pie

and cake will be available to buy on the evening. We will also have hotdogs, drinks and stalls with toys and glitter tattoos! We ask that you **DO NOT** bring Sparklers to this event due to the terms of our insurance please. This is always a fantastic evening; the fireworks are provided by Barton Grange and really are spectacular.

This is one of our biggest events and we are always in need of an extra pair of hands! If you are able to help in any way with parking/marshalling, selling toys or sweets, kitchen please let Ally Lawson or Louise Higham know.



FUNDRAISING FOR PARKINSON'S UK - On 17th December Henry Dunkley in Year 6 and his mum will be taking part in the Aintree Racecourse 5k in support of Parkinson's UK. This is a fantastic charity and with his Grandad at the front of his determination to complete this challenge, we know he will do well. Between them their aim is to raise £500 which would fund a Parkinson's nurse for 25 hours. Good luck Henry, if you would like to

donate or to read more please use this link - https://www.justgiving.com/page/henry-dunkley-1697030450328?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_launched&utm_content=73e0038f-ee2e-43f8-a7fc-c2571f0b6510&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1697031026445

Barton St. Lawrence Year 4 Food Day

Pupils from Year 4 enjoyed a fun and interactive food lesson at Broughton High school this week. They completed several activities linking science to the food practicals. Well done Year 4, you excelled with your practical skills in producing bread and decorating shortbread biscuits with your school logo. Congratulations to **Magnus Low** for gaining Chef of the Week award and **Jennifer Lonsdale** for gaining the Head Chef award.



PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2024 - If your child has his or her 4th birthday between 1st September 2023 and 31 August 2024, you must apply for a primary school place before 15th January 2024. **You must apply for a place through Lancashire County Council even if you have already completed our own internal form.**

Closing date for Secondary applications 31.10.23

Closing date for Primary applications 15.01.2024

Online admissions are now open at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools