Newsletter

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Dates for your diary

Tues 10th October

A.m. Triple P Parenting course in staffroom

Wed 11th October

Year 5 Parent & Child Workshop at 2.30pm

Thurs 12th October

Year 6 Parent & Child Workshop at 2.30pm

Open Day for prospective **Reception parents**

Fri 13th October

Celebration Assembly for YR-Y6 parents at 9.10am. This will include **Harvest Collection for local Food** Bank

Tues 17th October

9am **Year 6** Brew and a **Book in the Library**

Thurs 19th October

Halloween Movie Night

Fri 20th October

School closes at 3.30pm for half-term

Planet Award Badges have arrived!

Today in Celebration Assembly, children in Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 received their first Planet Award



badges of this academic year. Next Friday, children in Year 2. Year 4 and Year 6 will receive their Planet Award badges, New Planet certificates were also introduced today.

From next Friday, there will be both new Learner of the Week and Reader of the Week certificates.



Thanks to all those many parents who join us for Friday Celebration Assemblies!

earner of the Week

Earlier this week, workmen removed an old piece of apparatus from the Trim Trail and added this new piece. Children will be able to start using this from next Monday. Thanks to Mr. Filder for organising this work.







Our new School Councillors are already at work and have met together a few times in school.

The Year 5 School Councillors, Lottie and Ade have this report to feedback.

School Councillors have written to:

- Mr. Passmore (Site Supervisor) about asking for bigger and better bins around the school
- Miss. Brown and Miss. James about restarting Forest School
 (Miss. Brown and Miss. James are both qualified Forest School Leaders)
- Mr. Filder about having more equipment for children to use at playtimes and lunchtimes

They have spoken with Miss. Watson about having a non-uniform day to start raising money for improving the shelter on the Key Stage 2 yard. They have discussed different ideas for fundraising with children from their classes. Now they need to decide which fundraising ideas to do. Our School Councillors certainly have a lot of ambition!

Mrs. Duerden has also written to Andrew Stephenson, Ash Sutcliffe and Sarah Coburn-Price to ask for money. Unfortunately, they all said they could not help at the moment. School Councillors wanted some money to improve the shelter by taking the fence down, repainting it, replacing the seats and removing the tyres.

Next Thursday morning, our Year 5 and Year 6 School Councillors will be going back to Colne Town Hall to meet with other School Councillors from local schools. At this meeting they will agree some priorities for how to improve Colne. Watch out for an update in next week's newsletter!

School Dinners

This is the menu for school lunches next week. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

Monday

Tomato Pasta or Jacket Potato with filling

Tuesday

Cheese & onion pie or Veggieballs

Wednesday

Roast Dinner or French bread pizza

Thursday

Curry & rice or Vegetarian Sausage Roll

Friday

Pizza or Fish Fingers

The cost of school dinners is:

£2.40 per day OR £12.00 per week

Parents who pay for their child's school dinners should pay directly to the office staff. Payments can be made either by cash or cheque.



Basic Skills sessions for Reception parents

On Tuesday Mrs. Kozlow introduced Basic Skills sessions for Reception parents. These sessions will take place every Tuesday and Thursday for about 10 minutes at the start of the day in the Reception classroom. This week Mrs. Kozlow showed parents how to help their child to write their name.

Parent and Child Workshops

Year 5 parents are invited to a **Parent and Child Workshop** with Miss. Milner on Wednesday 11th October at 2.30pm.

Year 6 parents are invited to a **Parent and Child Workshop** with Mrs. Cumpstey on Thursday 12th October at 2.30pm.

Brew and a Book

Thanks to all the Year 5 parents who joined us for Brew and a Book on Tuesday.

Brew and a Book for **Year 6** children and parents will be on **Tuesday 17th October**—we look forward to seeing you in the Library at 9.00am!

The Library will be open every Tuesday after school for children and parents to come and return/borrow their books.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Grand total for last Friday's Macmillan Coffee Morning was

£124

Thanks to everyone who helped at and attended the coffee morning as well as all those who took part in the children's raffle. Many thanks to Jac Bird for creating another amazing cake!

Absence Procedure

When you know your child is off school ill please call and leave us a message. Then we know why your child is not in school.

When your child is not in school, the office staff will:

- send a text message to remind parents that school needs to know why your child is absent.
- make a phone call when they have not yet heard back from you.
- ask Mrs. Peake to make a home visit.

When you receive a text from school you can either reply to the text we have sent you OR just give us a ring.

IMPORTANT for Year 6 parents

Secondary school admissions for 2024 are now open:

If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

It's quick and easy to do. You will receive an email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

The closing date for secondary applications for

IMPORTANT for Nursery parents

Primary school admissions for 2024 are now open: If your child is in their last year of nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

It's quick and easy to do. You will receive an email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

The closing date for primary applications for

Contacting School

The school office is open from 8.30am.

Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am. A member of staff will phone you back when necessary.

Open Day

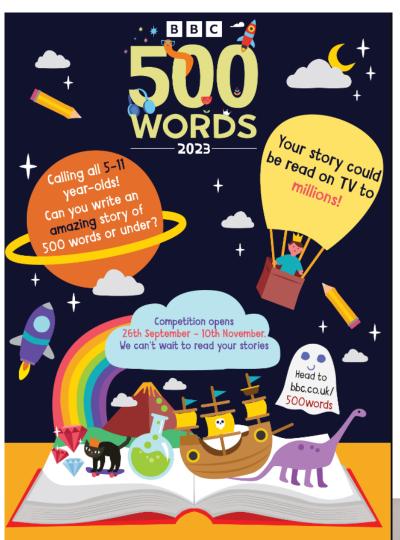
for prospective Reception parents for September 2024

Thursday 12th October

Come for a tour of our school! 9.30am, 1.30pm, 6.00pm

Contact by email or phone to book a slot head@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk
01282 865840





IT'S COMPETITION TIME!

Do you enjoy writing?

Then have a go at writing a 500 word story.

You can write a story about whatever you want.

The competition closes on 10th November.

Find out more on bbc.co.uk/500words

Are you an artist?

Interested in caring for wildlife?

Then have a go at creating a poster that encourages everyone to

Make Room For Wildlife

This competition closes on 16th October.

So get your pens or pencils out and have a go!

Join in with our 2023

Make Room For Wildlife

Poster Competition

Many of the plants and creatures around us can be helped or harmed by our behaviour.



Use A4 paper and any art materials to create a poster with a catchy slogan and some big bold illustrations showing how everyone can help **not** harm the wildlife we have.

On the reverse of your poster please place your:
Name School Year Group

Entries will be collected on Monday 16th October 2023 by a member of Colne in Bloom/Waterside Action Group For more information contact Alice Mann 07940084741



Winners will receive a gift token presented at the Town Hall



A massive well done and congratulations to our learners and readers of the week!!

GREAT JOB - You have earned 10 Dojo points!

THANK YOU to all those parents who joined us for this morning's Celebration Assembly to see your child receive an award.



Readers of the Week

- Year R Ava Rose for showing enthusiasm about sharing books and enjoying looking at the
- **Year 1** Carter for reading lots at home which is having a positive impact in school
- **Year 2 \$am** for being a really fluent and confident
- **Year 3 Hassnain** for super effort in all reading lessons especially with skimming and scanning
- **Year 4 Aamina** for reading with lovely expression during English sessions
- **Year 5 Zaydan** for being very enthusiastic about our class book
- **Darcy** for reading consistently at home and working towards her bronze award

Learners of the Week

- Year R **Oakley** for brilliant participation in a Lyla for showing much interest and maths game counting and recognising numbers rhymes
- Year 1 **Emerald** for improving her handwriting everyday
- Year 2 her writing neat
- Year 3 **Ali** for brilliant teamwork during P.E. when learning orienteering skills
- Year 4 **Bailey** for being an amazing friend and always having a smile
- Year 5 model for others
- Maison for being an amazing friend Year 6 and for having a positive attitude

- enthusiasm in maths activities and counting
- **Lydia** for being a good team player during our orienteering lessons
- Freija for working really hard to make sansa for her amazing behaviour since starting at West Street
 - **Billy** for brilliant teamwork during P.E. when learning orienteering skills
 - **Aamina** for reading with lovely expression during English sessions
- **Zaeem** for always being a brilliant role **Alessa** for settling so well in to life at West Street and becoming more independent
 - **Adam G** for being more focused in lessons and for engaging in all activities