

Langho and Billington St. Leonard's Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This Week's Christian Value



This week we have been thinking about what being part of a Community means to us. We have celebrated the different groups we all belong to including our family, Church and the many after school clubs we belong to. We are all truly blessed to belong to such a supportive and caring school community where everyone is valued and all are encouraged to flourish and be the best they can be.

Thank you to those parents who have so far responded to our Parent/Carer survey, and please take the opportunity to share your views if you haven't already. The closing date is on Monday. I currently have a huge pile of beautiful entries for our Bird Art competition in my office - this also closes on Monday so please send in your child's entry by then.

Next Week's Christian Value



Please see below for important news and of course our Stars of the Week! Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Lindley

Baby news!

Huge congratulations to Mrs Fryer who would like to announce that she is expecting her second child. We are all very excited for her and are sure you will join us in wishing her family all the best. Mrs Fryer will begin her maternity leave after half-term. We are delighted to announce that Mrs Watkins will be continuing to teach in Blackbirds alongside Mrs Harris and they will be joined by Mrs Cross who is very excited to be teaching Reception again.

Last chance to provide us with your views - Parent Survey closes on Monday 7th February.

Many thanks to those of you who have already responded and your overwhelmingly positive feedback. Please support us if you haven't already by taking a few minutes to complete this survey (link below). Your feedback is very much appreciated and valued, contributing to our aim of providing the best possible primary education, where each child can flourish within our caring St Leonard's School family. Please answer all questions since September 2021 - this will help us on our continual journey of school improvement going forward.

(You can submit additional surveys at the end if you have more than one child attending school)

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We still need new Bird artwork for our newsletters and classroom doors in school. Please get creative with your children to produce a picture/collage/painting/drawing of your child's class bird on A4 paper (try to fill the space on the A4 sheet. Competition closes Monday 7th February and winners announced that week!







Cold weather

Please see our Severe and Adverse Weather Plan document on the front page of the school website that explains everything you need to know about arrangements and procedures that will be followed should school be affected. Please also ensure your child has a warm coat and hat for playtimes every day. https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/

This Week's Attendance (Covid absence discounted)

W A	Class	% Attendance this week
	Eagles	98.7%
2º	Owls	98.6%
M	Kingfishers	98.6%

Diary Dates

Sunday Services

9.15 Eucharist10.30 Family Service

Monday

4pm Evening Prayer 4pm

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Wednesday

12pm Middav prayer (with a light lunch on the first Wednesday of the month)

Spring Term 1

Monday 31 st January	Wigan Warriors Rugby (Y6 Club 3.30pm)	
	Football Y5/6 Ribble Valley League A (4:00-5:30pm)	
Tuesday 1 st February	Y3 Woodland Art club (Y3 Club 3.30pm)	
Thursday 3 rd February	Afternoon 1pm-3.30pm	
	KeyPE Sports coaches -gymnastics (Year 1 & Year 2)	
	Y3 Fencing club (3.30pm)	
Friday 4 th February	Afternoon 1pm-3.30pm	
	KeyPE Sports coaches -gymnastics (Year 3 & Year 4)	
	Y4 Fencing club (3.30pm)	
Monday 7 th February	Wigan Warriors Rugby (Y6 Club 3.30pm)	
Tuesday 8 th February	Safer Internet Day	
	Y3 Woodland Art club (Y3 Club 3.30pm)	
Thursday 10th February	Afternoon 1pm-3.30pm	
	KeyPE Sports coaches -gymnastics (Year 1 & Year 2)	
	Y3 Fencing club (3.30pm)	
Friday 11 th February	Afternoon 1pm-3.30pm	
	KeyPE Sports coaches -gymnastics (Year 3 & Year 4)	
	Y4 Fencing club (3.30pm)	
Friday 11 th February 3:30pm	School closes for half-term holiday	

Spring 2 - School reopens Monday 21st February at 8.45am

Monday 21 st February (And every Monday until Easter Holidays)	1pm-3.30pm 'Outdoors for All' Y1 Forest schools 3.30pm Year 2 Forest schools club (details to follow) Football Y5/6 Ribble Valley League B (4:00-5:30pm)
Thursday 24th February (And every Thursday until Easter Holidays)	Afternoon 1pm-3.30pm KeyPE Sports coaches (Early Years / Year 6) Year 5 After School Sports club (details to follow)
Friday 4 th February (And every Friday until Easter Holidays)	Afternoon 1pm-3.30pm KeyPE Sports coaches -gymnastics (Year 5 & Year 6) Year 1 After school sports club (details to follow)
Tuesday 1 st & Wednesday 2 nd March	Parents' Evenings (Please see amended date)
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day
Tuesday 15 th March	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Trip to 'Imagine That!' (details to follow)
Wednesday 30 th March 2:30pm, 5:30pm	Y3 & Y4 Production of 'Resurrection Rocks' (more details to follow)
Thursday 31st March	Hop, Skip and Jump for East Lancashire Hospice (more details to follow)
Friday 1st April 1:30pm	School closes for Easter holidays

Class Highlights from the Week

Early Years



New winning competition picture coming soon...!

See the art competition above to enter \square

Our Early Years children have been having lots of fun learning all about Chinese New Year this week! We have thought about the colour red and used rice and chopsticks to develop our fine motor control. In Little Lennie's we have continued to extend our play having kept our Bear Cave from when we went on a bear hunt. Our Chinese restaurant has also become a firm favourite place to play. In Blackbird's we found out about how people celebrate Chinese New Year and we have been very keen to learn about cultures and celebrations. What really took our interest and imagination was our wish to create our own dragon and lion dances. Using our drumming skills to make accompanying music, we had an amazing time and showed our confidence in performing. Well done everyone. ©



Doves

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This week Doves have been as busy and productive as always! In RE we have been thinking about how we can thank God for all his creations in the world. We thanked Him for animals, families, friendships, flowers, trees and many more. In PSHE our focus was on personal hygiene and how we can take care of ourselves, everyone shared their ideas on brushing their teeth, clean clothes, regular baths and showers and handwashing (which we're all experts at now!) Well done for all those who have entered the bird drawing competition we have had some fantastic entries. Another brilliant week Doves!



Eagles

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It has been another fabulous week in Eagles with some amazing learning and lots of class points achieved! We have continued to use algorithms to programme robots this week and successfully programmed a code that allowed them to visit lots of UK landmarks. As part of our learning in RE, we wrote some thoughtful prayers to thank God for his wonderful creations. Our gymnastics session was thoroughly enjoyed by all our Eagles, with the children creating some fabulous balances using points and pouches! Another super week, well done everyone.



Falcons

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This week, Falcons have enjoyed using their design and technology plans to make their moving picture and they look fabulous. We have continued with our weather learning this week looking at extreme weather around the world and considering how these weathers could have an adverse effect on communities and the environment. Another super week of learning, well done Falcons.



Herons

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In Heron Class this week we have been working like scientists by creating branching databases to classify living thing. We investigated habitats of minibeasts in our area and compared them by closely observing the tiny details that help scientists to further classify living things. We then recorded what we noticed with detailed drawings. In DT the children test tasted sandwich fillings. They examined the appearance, smell, taste and texture of different foods from the Eatwell Plate. In RE the children thought about how people's lives are dramatically changed and made their own connections.

Great work Heron Class.



Kingfishers

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We have had another super week in Kingfishers. In Science, the children asked lots of thoughtful, scientific questions about invertebrates and then used this to create their own branching database about living things. We also had a fantastic discussion about scientific drawings and whether they would be classed as art, science or both. The children created their own large-scale drawing of their chosen invertebrate; they were brilliant! In PSHE, the children discussed what makes a positive family life. They worked together to perform different family scenarios and they explained to the class the importance of their role in maintaining positive family relationships. Fantastic work again, Kingfishers!

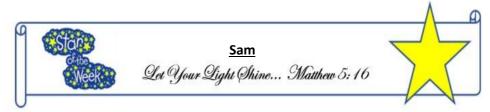


Owls

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Owls Class have been busy once again this week. The children have planned a healthy and balanced sandwich in DT, enjoyed their learning and showing their creativity in music and Spanish, and continued to practise their gymnastics skills in PE. Well done, Owls!



Robins

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This week, we have done a good job of adapting. We have done quite a bit of work on our Geography unit about the natural wonders of the world. We looked at Mount Everest, the Grand Canyon and the Great Barrier Reef. We learned bit more about the life of Moses in RE and are looking forward to swimming next week as we all hope the swimming instructor will be well



enough.

Swifts

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Another great week of learning for Swifts we have been continuing our exploring of the seven natural wonders considering the impacts of humans and tourism on areas such as the Grand Canyon and the Great Barrier Reef. We considered the character of Moses during our RE lesson exploring why he was such a significant figure throughout the exodus story and beyond. We continued our programming work in Computing looking at variables in games and creating our own using Scratch and continued sketching our wonders in Art. Thank you for your hard work this week Swifts.



Wrens

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This week Wrens have again enjoyed their rugby session with the Wigan Warriors coaches; I have been really impressed with their enthusiastic approach to the sport. The children have continued to learn the songs for 'Let's Go Sing' and in Art they pencil sketched a Wren for the competition - it will be very hard to choose a winner. In RE the children discussed the concept of Freedom and created some excellent images to represent their interpretation of being free. In science we investigated circuits and had fun making them work. As part of our PSHE unit, we talked about the importance of keeping ourselves safe online. A great week of learning - well done!

