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#### **Weekly Newsletter Friday 21st April 2023**

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#### **Happy Easter!**

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school after the Easter holidays! Our week began with whole school worship in church led by Kingfishers children to celebrate Easter, particularly the new life and joy of this season.



#### **Fundraising**

Thank you to all our children and their families for the generous fund raising support in recent weeks. On Thursday children had fun all around school joining in the Hop, Skip and Jump for East Lancashire Hospice which raised £556.25. They even saw real bunnies on the school field! Our Lenten house money box appeal in aid of The British Red Cross raised £201.66. Thank you again for the kind donations which will make a difference to those in need.

#### **BAE Systems visit**

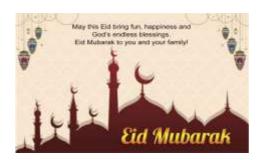
This afternoon, Y6 children had an informative visit from BAE Systems, learning about how to stay safe on the road around articulated vehicles. They learned about blind spots to increase their awareness and help them stay safe as pedestrians.

#### **Eid Mubarak!**

Our Blackbirds children were visited by Mr Ghani, one of our parents, this week who is an Imam in a local mosque. He was able to teach the children about the importance of Ramadan and Eid to those of the muslim faith. We look forward to welcoming Mr Ghani again next week to talk to the rest of the children.

We hope all our families who are celebrating Eid have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Lindley



#### **Exciting new Trim Trail!**

On Wednesday, work will begin on building a new trim trail, path and shelter on the school field for our children. Should there be any disruption to usual procedures at pick up and drop off times, we will inform you as soon as we are able. During the installation, children will be told in school, which areas of the playground they can safely access. We look forward to a fun summer!

#### **Proposed Plan!**



#### Sports Day 2023!

This Year we will hold Sports Day on **Friday 23rd June** for all children as follows:

Morning - Early Years and Key Stage 1 Sports Day Activities

11am-12pm - Boys Football competition - Girls Football competition

Afternoon - KS2 Sports Day

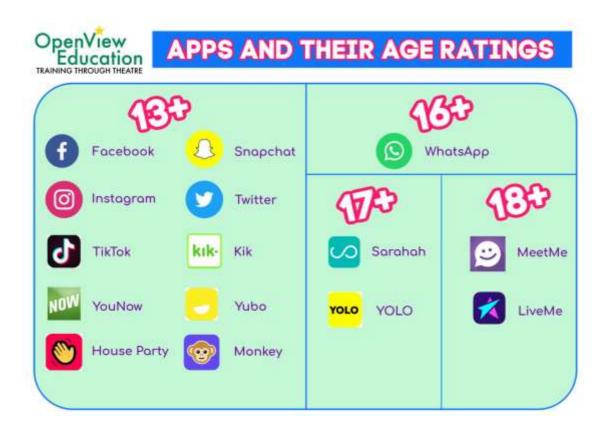
Further details to follow nearer the time!

#### Dogs

Please be reminded that only therapy or working dogs are allowed on to the school grounds. Many thanks.

#### **Online Safety**

A polite reminder to ensure children's use of technology that can connect to the internet, is closely monitored at home. Below is a list of the age ratings for commonly used apps. Please talk to your children about inappropriate communication online.



#### **Road safety**

A polite reminder that children must not be dropped off on the yellow zig zags in front of school.

## **This Week's Attendance!**

¥	Class	% Attendance this week
	Eagles	100
(2)	Swifts	98.3
	Robins	96.8

### **Weekly Highlights**

#### Nursery & Reception Little Lennies' & Blackbirds





This week in Early Years we have been very busy!

In Little Lennie's we have shared the story of 'Kipper's Toybox.' Kipper has six toys and so we have enjoyed counting lots of things and thinking about the number six. We have done some wonderful mathematical mark making as well as creating our own self-portraits. We have loved developing our language skills through talking about this week's story.

In Blackbirds we have read the story 'One is a Snail, Ten in a Crab.' This has supported our growing understanding of numbers and we have linked this to our knowledge of creatures - sorting and classifying. We have been keen to learn more about Ramadan and enjoyed finding out about this time of the year from a special visitor. We have been developing our artistic talents, experimenting with colours as we paint, as well as enhancing our fine motor skills through our own Mehndi designs and spiral snail shell patterns.

We all enjoyed the 'Hop, Skip and Jump' event to raise money for East Lancashire Hospice. Well done everyone! 2

#### Year 1 & 2 Doves, Eagles & Falcons







What a magnificent start to an incredibly busy week! We have continued to enjoy our English sessions where we have role-played catching a wolf and worked independently to write a guide and safety rules to catch a wolf in the woods. In Science, we started our plant topic by exploring and dissecting all of the different parts of a flower creating a fact file all about the different roles of each part of the plant. We have started our Geography unit off by learning a song all about the 7 continents and what it is like to live in Antarctica! We have had a fantastic time in Art this week exploring all of the different ways we can mold clay and print different objects to create an artistic tile. As well as all of our fun in the classroom on Thursday we had a brilliant time completing our hop, skip and jump! It has been an amazing first week back, well done Key Stage 1!

#### Year 3 & 4 Herons, Kingfishers & Owls







We have had a wonderful first week back in Year 3 and 4! In Geography, the children have been very excited to learn all about earthquakes and volcanoes, following the stories we have enjoyed reading in English. We began by learning about the layers of our planet before moving on to exploring and understanding how earthquakes are formed using bread and paper; we have some fabulous future geographers! In PE, we started our new athletics topic and we focused on different running techniques when completing a relay race. In Art, we have started to think about how every picture tells a story, by looking at the intricate details that are included within different pieces of art and then using these ideas to inspire our own work. Well done for a super first week back everybody!

#### Year 5 & 6 Robins, Swifts & Wrens







#### Year 5

This week, as we return from the Easter holidays and reflect on new life, Year 5 have completed their RE work about the way Christians respond to the news of Jesus's resurrection. As a new term, they have started lots of new things, such as a new class novel for whole class guided reading; The Boy at the Back of the Class. Our new PE focus is about tactics and strategies in a number of different sports and games. Art is about designing something new for a purpose and started with designing a personalised coat of arms. In Geography, we began looking at journeys, such as the journey across the world that is made by our food or clothes. New work in maths will follow next week as we continue practising the things that will help us make good progress alongside learning lots of new and interesting things.

#### Year 6

It has been lovely to see Wrens back in school this week for their final term in primary school. This week we began our new writing unit based on the book 'Manfish' all about the life and work of Jacques Cousteau. In science, we considered the three states of matter and in Geography, the children enjoyed looking at maps of Langho as well as having a virtual walk around the area to decide what they liked and would preserve for the future, as well as what they feel is needed to meet the needs of the local community. In RE, the children illustrated a part of the Easter story, using a verse from the Bible as their inspiration. The children have worked really hard all week and I have been very pleased with them - keep it up Wrens!

# **Congratulations to our Stars of the Week**

*	<u>Little Lennies</u> <u>George</u>	Blackbirds Oscar & Harry	
<u>Doves</u> <u>Mike</u>	Eagles <u>Ted</u>	Falcons Samuel	
<u>Herons</u> <u>Adam</u>	Kingfishers Albert	Owls Jacob	
Robins  Jessica B	<u>Swifts</u> <u>Mickey</u>	<u>Wrens</u> <u>Grant</u>	

## **Diary Dates**

Tuesday 25th April	Author visit for KS2
Thursday 27th April	Imam visitor Muddy Church (letters sent)
Monday 1st May	Bank Holiday
Monday 8th May	Bank holiday for the King's Coronation
Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May	Y6 SATs Week
Friday 19th May	3.30 - 6pm Summer fair
Wednesday 24th May	Y6 transition 'fun' day at St leonard's with Y6 children from local schools
Thursday 25th May	6pm - Y6 Information Evening -Borwick Hall residential
Friday 26th May	Break up for half term
	May Half Term
Wednesday 7th June	8.45 School reopens
Friday 23rd June	Sports Day for all children Morning - Early Years and Key Stage 1 Sports Day 11am-12pm Boys Football competition Girls Football competition
	Afternoon - KS2 Sports Day

#### **Sunday Services**

9.15 Eucharist 10:30 Family Service

#### Monday

4pm Evening Prayer

# S†Leonard's C of E Church Langho & Billington

#### Wednesday

12pm Midday Prayers (with light lunch on 1st Wednesday of each month)

Please see our school website for this academic year's term dates. <a href="https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/parent-info/holiday-dates">https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/parent-info/holiday-dates</a>

