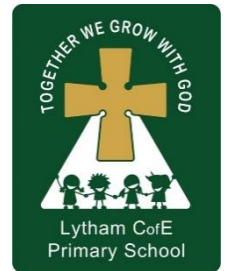




LYTHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

Together We Grow With God

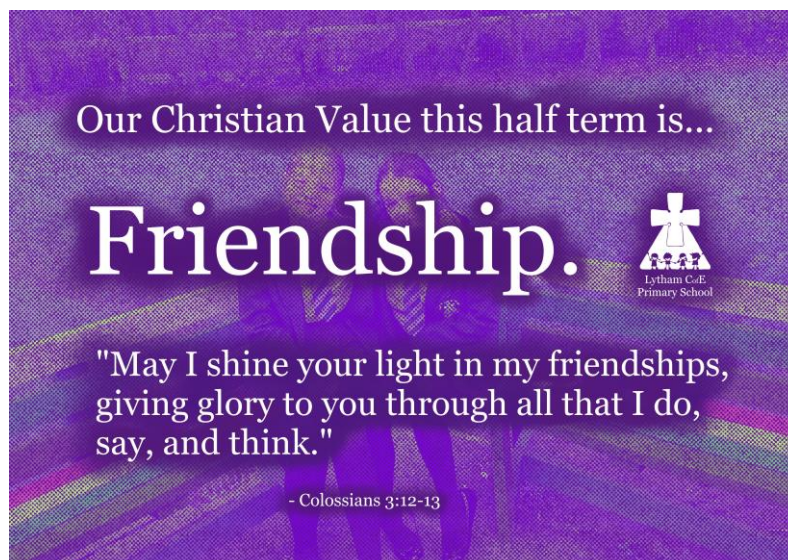


10th November 2023

Our Christian Value this half term is Friendship

Our Chosen charity is Trinity Hospice (we will be taking part in the Elf Dash)

Our Parable of the Talents Award will be awarded to children who have shown courage in risk taking in their work.



Headteacher's Message:

We have got off to a flying start this half term. At the start of the term the staff all took part in training and we have been implementing some new strategies within the classroom. Ask your children about the 6 B's and see if they can tell you!

Year 5 led a respectful Remembrance Worship this morning and all of our children, from the youngest to the oldest, came together to share in this. All children also painted a poppy and Mrs Barras put together this amazing display. Absolutely magnificent.





Our School Disco was very well attended last night and thanks must go to all staff and PTFA members who helped to make this such a success. We'll let you know how much was raised in due course.


We have continued to celebrate the joy of being a member of our school community and Max from Y3 wrote a super rap about our school.

'Our school rocks.... And so does Mrs Wooldridge' Thanks Max!

Have a wonderful weekend with your children.

Mrs Wooldridge


<div>  Our Stars of the Week - week beginning 30th October  </div>	
Reception	Lewis
Year One	Betsy W
Year Two	Harry Ja
Year Three	Amari
Year Four	Joshua
Year Five	Annabel
Year Six	Noah





Our Stars of the Week - week beginning 6th November



Reception	Franklin	
Year One	Finley	
Year Two	Thea	
Year Three	Violet	
Year Four	Indy	
Year Five	All of Year 5	
Year Six		

Our Christian Values Superstars

(W/B 30 th October)	Marshall	Maisie	Mason
(W/B 6 th November)	Ellie	Riley	Ava R

Risk taking in learning - week beginning 30th October

Reception	Summer
Year One	Sasha
Year Two	Grace
Year Three	Mylo
Year Four	Skye
Year Five	Ava R
Year Six	Bailey

Risk taking in learning - week beginning 6th November

Reception	Oliver N
Year One	Harry
Year Two	Freddie
Year Three	Amari
Year Four	Lexie
Year Five	Harvey M
Year Six	

Snippets from the classrooms

This week we have been painting firework pictures in the style of Jackson Pollock! The children have loved flicking their paint brushes and being passionate painters!

We have all settled back into school really well in Reception and are excited for the busy half term ahead. We talked about safety instructions for bonfire night and how we can keep safe. In phonics we have been learning some new digraphs. A digraph is when two letters make one sound.

Year 1 have been learning about shapes in Maths. We have learnt the names of a variety of 2D and 3D shapes, and we have also identified what shapes a variety of real-life objects are. We have also begun our new unit of work in Design and Technology, which focuses on Mechanisms. In our first lesson, we explored sliders and movement. We used our new knowledge to make a rabbit in a hat!

Last week we found some footprints in Y2. We managed to identify four of them but we couldn't identify the fifth set. With the help of the Natural History Museum we have discovered that they were dodo footprints. We had lots of questions about dodos and we especially wanted to know why they had become extinct. Today we have done lots of research and we now are now dodo experts.

Year 3 have been writing "Revolting Recipes" inspired by the novel "The BFG" by Roald Dahl. We are creating our own Revolting Recipe book and the children have come up with some truly revolting ideas.

The children have enjoyed learning the names of the bones in a human skeleton and we played our own version of "head, shoulders knees and toes," to help us remember them.

Year 4 continue to prepare for the Dance Festival which is taking place on Monday; there are a lot of moves to remember!

This week Year five have worked very hard.

We have started our new story, The Odyssey. The children have been making predictions based what we have read so far and on the mythology knowledge some pupils have shared in our class.

The children practiced their Remembrance Worship patiently throughout the week and have been supportive of each other.

"I am incredibly proud of Year Five this week, especially because of how respectful they have been. I am really impressed with how well they all delivered the worship" - Miss Rothney

Y6 have had a busy week where we have revised what we know about electrical circuits and even made our own. We have also begun learning about The Shang Dynasty and are intrigued to know what that has to do with uncovered 'Dragon bones.' We created drawings of our peers from life and have been finding out about the music of WW1 and WW2! A very active and fun week indeed!

Zoolab

We are very excited about Zoolab on Monday! Please ensure that consent slips have been returned so that your child can touch the animals.

Books

This week we were delighted to welcome staff from Harrison Drury Solicitors who have kindly sponsored a set of books in Y3. The children were keen to explain about the difference having their own book is making to their learning.

'It's easy to look back if you missed anything'

'You can follow along as the teacher is reading'

'You can spend time looking for more details to help you when writing'

'I'll feel a real sense of achievement when I look back knowing that I persevered and read the whole book.'

If you know of any companies who would be interested in sponsoring a set of class books then please do get in touch. Thank you.

Pantomime

We are getting very excited about the Pantomime taking place in school on 29th November. As you are aware, pantomimes are expensive but this year we have managed to reduce the cost from last year. A letter regarding payment details will come out on Monday.

Winter Uniform - reminder

All children are now expected to be wearing winter uniform.

The policy is on the website but the details of the uniform can be found below.

Uniform Requirements

- Dark green Jumper or Cardigan;
- White Shirt with school tie;
- Grey Trousers/Skirt or pinafore dresses;
- Grey socks, white socks or grey tights
- Flat black shoes with either Velcro or a buckle. Please avoid laces unless your child can tie these themselves.
- Dark green blazer (Y5 and Y6 children only)

PE Kit

All children should attend school in PE uniform on PE days. Your child will have the following options on the 2 days that they do PE to either:

- Wear the full tracksuit with school PE t-shirt.
- Wear the tracksuit top with school PE t-shirt and their own plain black jogging bottoms (no logos)

Trainers must be plain black or white with minimally sized logo (no neon colours)

School Admissions

Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school or moving to secondary school in September 2024 opens on Friday 1 September 2023.

Parents can apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools - it's quick and easy!

The national closing dates for applications are:

- Tuesday 31 October 2023 for secondary applicants
- Monday 15 January 2024 for primary applicants.

It's quick and easy to do and you will receive 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.

For guidance on school transport see: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/>.

Children in Need

Although Children in Need is not one of our chosen charities this year, we are happy for children to come into school wearing a 'spotty' item on Friday 17th November if they choose to. The remainder of their clothing must be school uniform.

Autumn 2 at a glance

Date	Event	Notes
Monday 13 th November	Y4 to Wyre and Fylde Dance Festival	
Monday 13 th November	Zoolab for Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Alternative enrichment opportunity for Nursery & Reception TBC	Payable on ParentPay
Tuesday 21 st November	10.45-11.30am – Open Morning	Please spread the word
Wednesday 29 th November	9.15am- Whole School Panto	No toast or swimming on this day
Sunday 3 rd December	Confirmation Service for Y5 children	Venue – St John's Church
Monday 4 th December	Elf Dash in aid of Trinity Hospice	Children may wear red and/or green clothes if they wish but don't feel the need to buy anything new.
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Dinner Day	No toast!
Friday 8 th December	9.15am – Nursery Nativity	
Friday 8 th December	Y2 & Y4 (separately) to St John's Church – Christmas through the Keyhole	
Sunday 10 th December	3pm – Christingle	St John's Church – all families welcome
Monday 11 th December	6pm – KS2 Carol Service at St Cuthbert's Church	Y3 to lead but ALL KS2 classes will be involved
Tuesday 12 th December	9.15am – Reception and KS1 Christmas Performance	
Wednesday 13 th December	9.15am – Reception and KS1 Christmas Performance	
Thursday 14 th December	9.15am – Reception and KS1 Christmas Performance	
Friday 15 th December	Party Day	
Monday 18 th December	End of term reports go home	
Tuesday 19 th December	PTFA Event – Christmas Café 2-4.30pm	Children can bring in £1 and buy a 'warm chocolate with marshmallows' in the afternoon or come in with parent after school
Wednesday 20 th December 2pm	School closes for Christmas holidays	

Children return to school on Thursday 4th January 2024