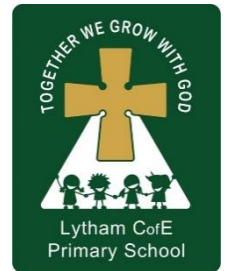




LYTHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

Together We Grow With God

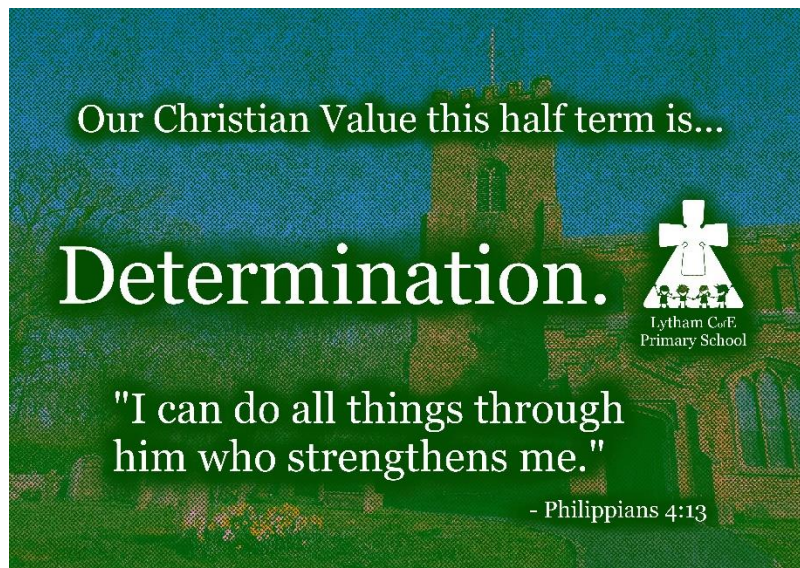


26th January 2024

Our Christian Value this half term is Determination

Our Chosen charity is NSPCC (we will be taking part in the NSPCC Number Day)

Our Parable of the Talents Award will be awarded to children who are avid readers



Headteacher's Message:

Life has been very busy in school recently. The children have been trying so hard in all areas and it has been a privilege to spend time with them talking about their learning.

Our Worship on a Friday afternoon is becoming incredibly busy as we celebrate our Stars and all children who have gained awards in and out of school that week.

Thank you so much for allowing us to play a part in your children's lives. We never ever take this privilege for granted.

Have a wonderful weekend with your children.

Mrs Wooldridge



Our Stars of the Week - week beginning 15th January




Reception	Sophia	
Year One	Sasha	
Year Two	Wallis	
Year Three	Pearl	
Year Four	Beatrice	
Year Five	Freya B	
Year Six	Isla	



Our Stars of the Week - week beginning 22nd January



Reception	Luka	
Year One	Ben S	
Year Two	Maisie	
Year Three	Dominiks	
Year Four	Indy	
Year Five	Dylan	
Year Six	Georgia	

Our Christian Values Superstars

(W/B 15 th January)	Martha	Xander	Imogen
(W/B 22 nd January)	Freya B	Ada	Charlie

Avid Readers week beginning 15th January

Reception	Oliver B
Year One	Billy
Year Two	Wallis
Year Three	Martha
Year Four	Myles
Year Five	Ava R
Year Six	Rio

Avid Readers week beginning 22nd January

Reception	Henry C
Year One	Betsy W
Year Two	Lorenza
Year Three	Gabriel
Year Four	Joshua
Year Five	Joseph
Year Six	Xander

Snippets from the classrooms

This week, the nursery children had a visit from a Fire Engine! The children were super excited and not phased by the rain at all. The children got the chance to hold the hose and squirt the water as well as sitting inside the truck. We also had our first football session with AFC Fylde and the children were amazing! Their listening skills and physical skills were just brilliant!

Reception - we loved our first football session with Matty from AFC Fylde this week in PE. We have also been learning all about Winter and have set up a new writing area with lots of great information and story books as well as lots of writing opportunities. Some of our children have led us down an unexpected path of finding out about flags from around the world and have set themselves the challenge of trying to paint them all! AMAZING!

Year 1 have been doing lots of exciting artwork recently. We began by making tube towers, where we had to roll paper to make 3D structures. In the next lesson, we designed our own strips of paper to make another 3D structure. Soon we will be making a 'tree of life'. We have continued learning about materials in science, and in our most recent lesson, the children had a range of objects that they had to organise into three groups (plastic, metal and wood). In computing, we have been programming Bee-Bots! In English, we concluded our work on the book 'Beegu'. The highlight for the children was when they had to create their own alien. First, they had to write a description of what their alien looks like using adjectives and full sentences. Then, they had to draw the alien so it matched their description. Finally, we all made an 'alien profile' where the children could give additional information about their creature.

Y2 - In our Art work this half term we are using clay. We have investigated different ways of making marks on clay using different tools and objects. This week we made thumb pots and learned how to attach decoration to our pots. We are waiting for our pots to dry and then we are looking forward to painting them.

Y3 - This week we have been studying the properties of different rocks and sorting them into groups. We have been using good scientific vocabulary in our discussions. Our maths has been quite tricky this week. We have been solving division calculations with remainders. The children have shown great perseverance and determination.

Year 4 have finished writing their sequel to our class book, Winter's Child. Everyone has worked hard to develop their writing style. We have also been focusing on written methods for multiplication and the children have shown brilliant focus and enthusiasm. The biscuit project continues in Year 4 with the children working as a group to develop their own recipes and designs. We are looking forward to creating the final products soon.

This week in Year 5 we have been looking at lots of interesting things.

In English, the children have enjoyed creating their own 'Lost Thing' and building knowledge to write their own stories.

In Science, we have been discussing the shape of the Earth, Moon and Sun by looking back at photographs taken by astronauts and theories from Aristotle.

In P.E. the children performed sequences of counter balances and tension balances for each other developed their skills in giving feedback.

We have all really enjoyed creating our 'Light' themed pieces for the Lytham Heritage Centre art competition, exploring links to our scientific knowledge of material properties by using wax crayons and Indian ink to create stained glass window pictures.

Y6 love our Novel about Hugo Cabret and have written excellent film reviews about 'A trip to the moon' - A 1920's black and white movie, directed by Georges Meiles. In Science we have been studying the human eye and how, with light, we are able to see. In Geography we have moved along The Silk road and are now examining the UK economy. This has provoked excellent discussion.

Punctuality update

The school gates are open from 8.45am to 8.55am. If a pupil arrives after the gate is locked they must signed in at the school office and will receive a late mark.

So far this academic year there are 57 pupils with late marks and a total of 192 lates recorded.

Should you feel you need any support with this or any aspect of your child's attendance then please make contact with Mrs Reams.

Step into Quality Out of School Clubs

We have been approached by the Local Authority as only two schools in the whole of Lancashire to trial a new Quality Mark for our Out of School Club provision. Our input and evaluation will then inform future assessments of other settings. We are thrilled to have been asked to take part in this! We will keep you updated with our progress.

After School Club Charges

Please be aware that after the half term holiday the cost for an after school place will be £8. Thank you.

Art Exhibition

Some children from Nursery all the way to Year Six, have had their art work selected for an exhibition at Lytham Heritage centre on the corner of Henry Street. The exhibition will take place between the 6th and 25th of February, Tuesdays - Sundays 10am until 4pm. Our School theme is light. It's wonderful to see how this has been interpreted in each class. If your child has been successful, they will receive an invitation to a special prizegiving event where they may win a prize.

Mrs Barras

NSPCC Number Day

On Thursday 1st February we will be celebrating Number Day in school and raising money for the NSPCC. The children are encouraged to come to school in their own clothes and wear something with a number on. The children have been given lots of ideas in assembly and there is no need to buy anything new. We will be collecting donations on the day. Please send any donations in an envelope. Thank you for your support. Mrs Lumby

Spring 1 2024 'at a glance'

Date	Event	Notes
Wednesday 31 st January 9.30am	Archdeacon David Picken visiting school	David will meet Worship Leaders and then lead Worship
Thursday 1 st February	Number Day	We're celebrating a day early!
Monday 5 th February PM	Dance Group to Competition	
Thursday 8 th February 3.30-5pm	PTFA Movie Night	Please see poster on School Story
Friday 9 th February	School closes for half term	

Staff and children return to school on Monday 19th February