

Believe, Belong, Become Newsletter - 4th March 2022

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Dates for your Diary

Thursday 17th March

Parents' Evening

Friday 25th March

Inset Day

Friday 1st April

Own Clothes Day



Yesterday, we celebrated World Book Day. Lots of children had worked hard at home to design and create a book character made from a potato. We were amazed by so many brilliant entries for this competition. Thank you to all those parents who supported their children with their creation. Each class enjoyed a day of book themed lessons and activities. Many children created amazing book trailers to advertise their favourite books. We hope to use these within our library. Watch this space! Take a look at some of the wonderful creations we had.















At lunch time, Year 6 children ran a 'Book Quiz'. Well done to all those children who took part. The winning entries were Scarlett (Year 1) and Naomi (Year 1). Well done girls!

Year Group	Winners
Nursery	Eleanor H & Lily W
Reception	Ayarlah F-G & Lucas V
Year1	Natan T & Isabella D
Year 2	Filey H & Oscar C
Year 3	Sophia B & Mia L
Year 4	Kelsey C & Riley S
Year 5	Lucy-Rose A & Eva S
Year 6	Teyah F-G & Shara S





Year one enjoyed making a 'disgusting sandwich' following along with the story written by Gareth Edwards. We added green pond weed, black squish marks, hundreds of ants and stinky sand. The

children then had a chance to design their own sandwich afterwards.





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Golden Book Assembly

Congratulations to all those that received a certificate this week.

Nursery - Riday G for coming back to chool with a big smile and trying really hard to learn new words and join in. We are so proud of you!

Angela C for excellent work when learning about planting and writing labels. Keep it up Angela!

Reception- Dominic W for excellent phonics work and reading words all by himself. I am very impressed! Victoria C for showing more confidence with her learning. We are very proud of you, Victoria!

Year 1- Ashton H. Ashton is blowing us away with his writing at the moment. I am so pleased with how much he is doing on his own. We are so proud of you Ashton. Keep it up! :)

Zofia K for your beautiful artwork composition last week. We loved how you used the Lego to print a rainbow. Well done for taking your time and printing carefully. :)

Year 2- Henrieta V for coming out of her shell in class discussions! She is much more confident when joining in. Her hand is up so much more :-)

Lula C. What an improvement we have seen in Lula's reading! She has moved up in phonics again! Keep up this super hard work Lula!

Year 3- Harry T. Harry and Daisy both fell out and reconciled with each other.

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Year 4- Annesmae K. Annesmae has shown maturity when she was not able to go on a school visit because of her injury. She dealt with the situation very well.

Kelsey C. Kelsey has worked hard on her homework - including over the holidays. The pride and care she shows in her work is clear to see. Such a great effort and enthusiasm for doing her very best is impressive - a great role model for others to follow.

Year 5- Sydney T. Sydney has had an excellent first week back! She has been focused, working hard and supporting her partner - well done, Sydney!

Luis H. Luis has been a real enthusiastic learner this week in every lesson . He's also working hard to make sure his handwriting is consistently neat in all books - well done!

Year 6- Amelia G, Krystal H, Zenia K, Lilah O, Theresa S and Kai-T-M For completing 'double' homework in half term. These children worked hard to complete the optional additional revision booklets. Well done!



Riday G & Angela C

Victoria C

Bye-Bye

Last week Sammy Jo sadly left our afterschool club where she will indeed be missed. Fortunately she has taken up more hours with Aspens so we will still see her around school. We wish her luck.

Ninja Warrior Trip

On Monday, Year 5 became Ninja Warriors! Tackling obstacles, walls and inflatables, the children put their resilience to the test and navigated their way around the tricky course. The children were wonderful and encouraged each other to attempt things that were outside their comfort zone, and had lots of fun in the process! A big thank you to all the adults who supported the trip.









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Wonderful Wednesday

Another Wednesday well done from our Welfare staff. This week our well dones go to, Michael H, Lilly W, Filey H, Olivia K, Kelsey C, Oliwier T, Hallie W, Charlie A, Kai T-M and Jethro H. Well done to you all.



Nursery News

This week in nursery we have enjoyed Shrove Tuesday, we also had a visit from Father Stephen on Ash Wednesday to talk to us about Lent. We have been learning about characters from our story in literacy, recognising and splitting amounts in maths and thinking about different emotions and what makes us feel happy and sad.





Boogie Bounce



Boogie bounce has got off to a great start again with some new faces, well done to everyone for their enthusiasm and energy! This club will run until we break up for Easter and will then start up again on our return. You are required to re-join, depending on what year groups the club is open to.

Governing Body

This week we say hello to another one of our Governing Body members, Michelle Staveley. Hello my name is Michelle Staveley and I am delighted to be vice chair of the governors for both of our primary schools. I first volunteered six years ago to be a parent director, because I enjoyed the experience so much I became a foundation director/governor. I am also the chair of governors of our St Mary's Catholic Academy. I am a part qualified accountant with experience of working in many different financial settings. I believe that it is important to support and give back to our community, with that in mind I am very much looking forward to helping our children be the best that they can be and am very thankful for the opportunity.



Roblox

Roblox parents' guide—what is it and is it safe for your child?

Do you know the answer to this question? If not then maybe this website is for you!

We have had a number of issues of late across both primary schools with children playing on Roblox, seeing inappropriate materials and or hearing inappropriate words being used. Since 2006 Roblox has over 100.000 monthly viewers. More information can be found at https://parentzone.org.uk/article/ roblox-parents%E2%80%99-guide-%E2%80%93-what-it-and-it-safe-your-child

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Lent Service

This year's Blackpool Catholic schools' Lent service is due to take place at 6pm on 29th March 2022 at Saint John Vianney Catholic Church. Our school has been asked to create a performance based on Jesus

Christ's Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. Our performance will include a Gospel reading, a poem and a song. We will be having singing and reading rehearsals during lunch times. If you are in Y4, Y5 and Y6 and are interested in taking part, ask your teacher for a letter next week.

The children celebrated the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday with Father Stephen. This year, CAFOD's Lent campaign is Walk Against Hunger. The target for our school is to walk 100km (1000 laps of the small MUGA) as a collective effort. This is part of CAFOD's goal of 40,000km (which is the distance around the Earth).

1 lap = 100m 10 laps = 1000m or 1km 100 laps = 10km 1000 laps = 100km

PLEASE DONATE on our school's Just Giving page:

https://bit.ly/CTKwalk4CAFOD

If you want to find out more, please enter the below into your browser:

Walk Against Hunger

CAFOD Family Fast Day this year is Friday 11th March.
Please can children bring in coins for CAFOD or donate food for our local foodbank.



MIDAS

Anyone want to drive a minibus? We are really short of bus drivers for school trips and rely on the same staff and volunteers to carry our pupils up and down the fylde coast. Miss Martin and Mrs Smith wondered if anyone fancies being on our list of volunteers to drive the 17 seater vehicles on trips. Trips are usually day events and involve a place of interest (local farm, high ropes course, zoo). Volunteers that support driving the bus engage as much or as little with the day out. We will cover the cost of entry to the venue and a few treats throughout the day (maybe even a brew!) The issue is that not all adults are able to drive a bus. If you passed your test before1/1/97 you will automatically have D1 on your licence (have a look to check!). D1 is a category on your driving licence that permits you to legally drive vehicles of between 9 and 16 seats. If it isn't on your licence you can apply to have it added but it is very costly! So if you do have D1 recorded on your licence already and are interested in volunteering (as little or as often as you like!) then please get in touch with Miss Martin or Mrs Smith. These volunteers can be family members or friends. We complete full induction, ensure they are put through their MIDAS training and ensure a clear DBS is received.

Easter Egg Competition

Aspens are holding an Easter egg colouring competition. Your child will have come home tonight with an Easter picture for them to colour and design. Please return all finished pictures to school by Monday 6th April. Aspens will pick a winner from each class. Get creative and good luck!

Sad News

Can you keep your eyes peeled for this bag? We have had a report from a local mother known to our school who had her bag stolen from her car. The car window was smashed to take the bag from the front seat. The bag was of great sentimental value to its owner and she is desperate to get it back. It is likely as the bag had very little inside it, we think that it will have been thrown into bushes or onto the floor close to the scene (P&G at Layton) Please keep your eyes peeled.

