

Newsletter

24.3.2023

Dates for your diary

Monday 27 March

Data Collection Sheets to be returned by today.

Thursday 30 March

Break up for Easter Holidays

Friday 31 March

Inset Day

Monday 17 April

Children return to school

Monday 1 May

Bank Holiday

Monday 8 May

Bank Holiday

Friday 26 May

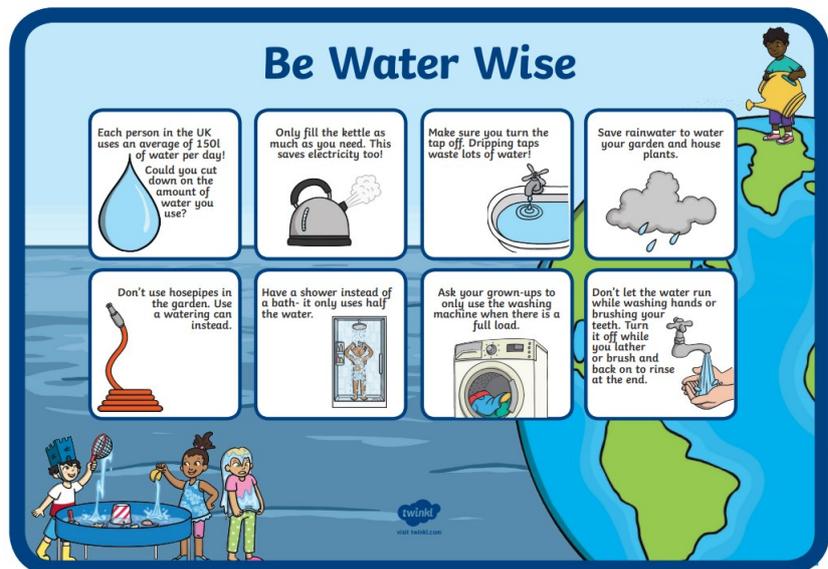
Break up for Half Term

Monday 5 June

Children return to school

World Water Day

Wednesday 22nd March was World Water Day. This week children have been thinking about World Water Day and how we can look after our precious water. Here are some ideas for how we can all do little things to save water.



Stay Safe!

On Tuesday, Ben and Ollie from Lancashire Fire & Rescue visited about Fire talked with making a fire their family so knows what to event of a fire. officers



Year 2 to talk Safety. They Year 2 about plan with everyone do in the The fire congratulated

Miss. Dexter on Year 2's excellent behaviour - well done Year 2! Ben and Ollie then visited Year 6 to discuss to remind them about fire safety then to discuss road safety. Year 6 were also well behaved and asked excellent questions. Thanks to Ben and Ollie!





How to look after your dog

The children in Reception have been talking about their pets. They have set up a vets surgery in their role play area where they can pretend to take their poorly pets in to be treated. Yesterday, Miss Watson brought her dog, Rufus, to meet the children in Reception. Miss. Watson told the children about Rufus' trips to the vets and showed the children how the vet checks a dog out. They talked about how to look after a dog. The children told Miss. Watson about their pets.



Year 6 meet a real author!

Today, Year 6 met author, Chris Moore. Chris is writing his first book for 9-11 year olds. He led a fantastic creative writing workshop with Year 6 to find out their favourite types of writing as well as their reading tastes and interests. Chris left all the children with his signature. Year 6 are looking forward to reading his new book!

Food Safari

Are you interested in finding out more about how to grow and cook your own food? Would you like the opportunity to learn about growing and cooking food with your children?

Then sign up for this 6 week **FOOD SAFARI** with Colne

Citadel. All you have to do is pop in to the office and sign up!

The Food Safari starts on Tuesday 18th April—the day after children return from the Easter holidays.

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!

Finally, remember to return your data collection sheets by Monday to be entered into a prize draw for a £20 Amazon voucher. The winner will be chosen at next Thursday's Celebration Assembly!



School Dinners

This is the menu for school lunches after half term. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

Monday

Bubble Salmon or French Bread Pizza

Tuesday

Meatballs or Tomato Pasta

Wednesday

Burger Bap or Veg Burger or Jacket Potato

Thursday

Pizza or Fish Fingers

The cost of school dinners are:

£2.40 per day OR £12.00 per week

Parents who pay for their child's school dinners should pay directly to the office staff. Payments can be made either by cash or cheque.



A massive well done and congratulations to our learners and readers of the week!!

GREAT JOB - You have earned 10 Dojo points!

THANK YOU to all those parents who joined us for this morning's Celebration Assembly to see your child receive an award.



Readers of the Week

- Year R** **Amber** for being very enthusiastic about her new improved reading skills. She can now blend CVC words independently.
- Year 1** **Olivia** for really engaging with our class book and being able to retell the story.
- Year 2** **Texas** for being a very fluent reader.
- Year 3** **Daud** for a super attitude to reading, resulting in a fantastic test result.
- Year 4** **Zaem** for always having a passion and enthusiasm for reading.
- Year 5** **Finley** for amazing progress in his assessment.
- Year 6** **Noor** for consistently reading at home - you are making so much progress!

Learners of the Week

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| Year R | Adam for his amazing progress and confidence with his phonic skills. | Freddie for always being engaged in every lesson and sharing his super ideas with the class. |
| Year 1 | Fatima for always thinking about others and being a kind friend. | Jasmin for practicing her spellings at home which is helping her in school. |
| Year 2 | Ruby for improving with her spellings. | Isla for having beautiful handwriting. |
| Year 3 | Finley for being amazing during our walk around Colne looking for conservation issues. | Amelia for a super attitude during assessment week. |
| Year 4 | Lottie for writing a very persuasive letter to the council about our walk around Waterside. | Jacob B for great observational skills whilst on our fieldwork walk. |
| Year 5 | Ayaan for fantastic effort and progress in all of his assessments. | Adam N for joining in all lessons confidently and enthusiastically. |
| Year 6 | Callum for creating a fantastic descriptive paragraph in English. | Jaidah for creating a fantastic descriptive paragraph in English. |



Pendle's Easter Holiday Activities & Food Programme



We have a range of FREE fun activities to keep kids active and occupied. A FREE healthy meal is also provided at each session. Free places available for eligible school-age children. Some paid for places also available.

- What's on offer:**
- outdoor education
 - healthy food
 - Music, arts & crafts
 - Drama workshops
 - Multi-sports for
 - Digital workshops



During the Easter holiday, Fun Vibes, Active Lives will provide free fun, engaging sessions throughout Pendle for "eligible" school-age children and young people. Free healthy meals will also be available.



For further details on providers and to book activities, please visit www.pendleleisuretrust.co.uk/fun-vibes-active-lives

*eligible participants are those who access benefits-related free school meals.



Looking for fun activities for the Easter Holidays?

Pendle Leisure Trust are running free fun and engaging session for school age children who receive free school meals. A healthy meal is provided at each session as well. Scan the QR code on the leaflet to find more information and book activities..

Tuesday 11 April Mother Goose is on at the Muni visit www.themuni.co.uk to book tickets.

Also on Tuesday 11 April at 11am or 1pm visit Nelson Library for an interactive Storytelling session.

Ramadan Kareem is one girl's inspiring story of determination and self-belief. Our story begins by transporting us to Karachi in Pakistan, before Ramadan and captivates audiences as they learn how to spot the moon and its phases to know when Ramadan begins.

This interactive storytelling show introduces children of all cultures and faiths to the traditions of Ramadan, and sparks the senses as they are asked to listen, touch, smell and even taste dates, the traditional food often chosen to break the fast. At points in the story, items are shared with the audience.

This is an important story to tell, so not only Muslim children can see their own stories recreated, but also because it is a wonderful way to introduce all children to Muslim traditions and culture, so that they might better understand their friends, neighbours and classmates. This is also a story of sincerity, determination and of belief in yourself.

Suitable for all ages, but especially suited to ages 3 – 8. Duration: 20 mins and after performance optional play with the drums and question session. No need to book a place.

Finally, Go Velo are holding a variety of free cycle sessions in Preston and Clitheroe over the second week of the Easter Holidays (11-14 April). These are suitable for all children and they also offer free bike hire as well. You can find more information and book sessions on the links below.

Preston- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/go-velo-holiday-sessions-preston-44019825803>

Clitheroe- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/go-velo-holiday-sessions-ribble-valley-59750575603>



Contacting School

The school office is open from 8.30am. Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am. A member of staff will phone you back when necessary.



Holiday Dates

For school holiday dates please check our website www.west-street.org where you will find the current and next school year's holiday dates.



Are you interested volunteering in school?

We are keen to welcome more volunteers in school to support children's learning e.g. by hearing readers, helping out with practical activities such as cooking, art and crafts, help out with other activities. Volunteers must have a DBS – this is easy to organise with Miss. Watson. Interested? Then talk with Miss. Watson or Mrs. Duerden!



Absence Procedure

When you know your child is off school ill please call and leave us a message. Then we know why your child is not in school.

When your child is not in school, the office staff will:

- send a text message to remind parents that school needs to know why your child is absent
- make a phone call when they have not yet heard back from you
- ask Mrs. Peake to make a home visit

When you receive a text from school you can either reply to the text we have sent you OR just give us a ring.

