

# Newsletter

20.10.2023



## Year 3 take part in a local rugby tournament!



Year 3 recently had a rugby session in school with Darren Greenwood from Nelson & Colne Rugby Club.

Yesterday, a group of Year 3 children took part in a rugby tournament with children from other local schools, this was

organised by Darren. The children had a great time!

Next half-term, Darren will be working with Year 4.

Nelson & Colne Rugby Club run **free** coaching sessions for children on Sunday mornings from 10.00am



## THANKYOU!

Thankyou to all those parents who have already returned both their child's Parent Teacher Meeting reply slip as well as the updated Photograph Permission letter.

Your help is very much appreciated!



## Dates for your diary

**October half-term** is from Mon 23rd to Mon 30th October. School and Nursery re-open on Tue 31st October

**Tue 31st October** is World Down Syndrome Awareness Day wear yellow and blue in your hair or on your feet!

**Tue 31st October to Fri 3rd Nov**

Poetry Week for all classes

Year 5 Bikeability this week

**Week commencing Mon 6th November:** Parent Teacher Meetings

**Tue 7th November**

Brew and a Book for Reception parents at 9.00am in the Library



## School Dinners

This is the menu for school lunches next week. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

### Tuesday

Beefburger/  
Veggieburger  
or Pizza

### Wednesday

Roast Dinner or Tomato  
Marscarpone Pasta

### Thursday

Meat & potato pie or  
Jacket Potato with  
fillings

### Friday

Pizza or Fish Fingers

The cost of school dinners is:

£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.



## What's happening after half-term.....

### Poetry Week

Short Song of the Hungry Bookworm

I love books. Yes, I love books.  
Oh books, it's hard to beat you.  
I give you long and loving looks,  
And then I slowly eat you.



After half-term all children will be learning about a poet and the poems they wrote, performing a poem as a class and writing their own poems. Find out more in our next newsletter!

### Year 5 Bikeability

Year 5 will be learning about riding a bike safely. Bikeability Level 1 teaches children how to maintain their bike; to ride smoothly and calmly; to control their bike properly and to be aware of their surroundings. In this way children will become safer cyclists.



### Parent Teacher Meetings

Day	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Thu 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Meetings will be in the Library in the KS2 building. Parents please wait in main entrance	Miss Oldale Y1	Mr Filder Y3	Mrs Kozlow Reception	Miss Dexter Y2
Meetings will be in the Computer Room in the KS2 building. Parents please wait in main entrance	Mrs Duerden & Miss Milner Y5	Mrs Gupta SEND	Mr Smith Y4	Mrs Cumpstey Y6



## World Down Syndrome Awareness Month

The colours for Down Syndrome awareness are **blue and yellow**. Wearing blue and/or yellow clothing helps bring awareness to the cause. Come to school on **Tuesday 31st October** wearing **blue and yellow** on your head AND/OR on your feet!

Think about wearing a wig, hairbands, a hat, a head scarf AND/OR socks, footwear.

Get creative with your blue and yellow to get people thinking about Down Syndrome Awareness Month.

Find out more about Down's Syndrome in the poster below.



## Did you know...?



- Around one in every 1000 babies born in the UK will have Down's syndrome.
- There are approximately 47,000 people in the UK with the condition.
- People with Down's syndrome are all unique individuals with their own personalities, family backgrounds and preferences that make them who they are.
- Although the chance of a baby having Down's syndrome is higher for older mothers, more babies with Down's syndrome are born to younger women.
- Down's syndrome is caused by the presence of an extra chromosome in a baby's cells. Down's syndrome usually occurs because of a chance happening at the time of conception.
- Down's syndrome occurs in all races, religious and economic situations.
- Down's syndrome is not a disease. People with Down's syndrome are not ill and do not "suffer" from the condition.
- People with the syndrome will have a learning disability. The learning disability affects a person's ability to learn, it does not mean they cannot learn.
- Like most of the population, people with Down's syndrome learn at school, have interests, hobbies and talents, have friends and relationships.
- Today the average life expectancy for a person with Down's syndrome is between 50 and 60 with a small number of people living into their seventies.

National Helpline: 0333 1212 300 | [info@downs-syndrome.org.uk](mailto:info@downs-syndrome.org.uk)

## 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.

## 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

## IMPORTANT for Year 6 parents

### ONLY 11 days left to apply

Secondary school admissions for 2024 are now open: If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place at: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

It's quick and easy to do. You will receive an 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.

**The closing date for secondary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 31 October 2023.**

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

## IMPORTANT for Nursery parents

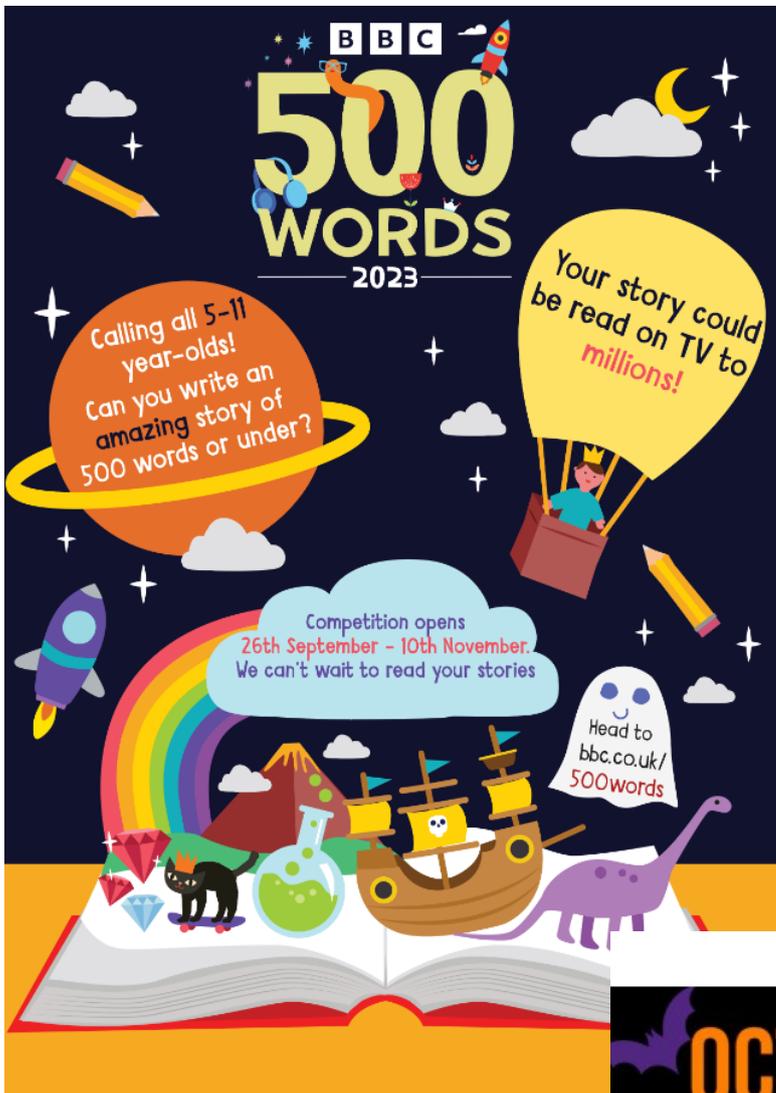
Primary school admissions for 2024 are now open: If your child is in their last year of nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

It's quick and easy to do. You will receive an 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.

**The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 15 January 2024.**





## IT'S COMPETITION TIME!

Do you enjoy writing?  
Then have a go at writing a 500 word story.  
You can write a story about whatever you want.

**The competition closes on 10th November.**

Find out more on  
[bbc.co.uk/500words](http://bbc.co.uk/500words)  
**GET WRITING NOW!**

Are you a keen footballer?

# OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMP

24th - 27th October  
Marley, Keighley

30th October - 3rd November  
Sandylands, Skipton

10am-3pm

EARLY DROP AND LATE PICK UP NOW AVAILABLE, PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO




**BOOK NOW**

[WWW.SOCCERHUB.ORG.UK/CAMPS/](http://WWW.SOCCERHUB.ORG.UK/CAMPS/)  
OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION EMAIL [LYNSEY@SOCCERHUB.ORG.UK](mailto:LYNSEY@SOCCERHUB.ORG.UK) OR CALL OLIVIA ON 07507 694983

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** **Nathon** for sharing his reading book with parents at home
- Year 1** **Gus** for spotting all the tricky words
- Year 2** **Ivy** for starting her reading straightaway when she comes in to the classroom in mornings
- Year 3** **Oliver** for his fantastic attitude in reading lessons and making good progress
- Year 4** **Anais** for gaining more confidence when reading aloud
- Year 5** **Melissa** for reading aloud confidently and enthusiastically
- Year 6** **Charlie** for reading our class novel aloud with confidence and increasing fluency

## Learners of the Week

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| <b>Year R</b> | <b>Murano</b> for participating with enthusiasm in everything this week                   | <b>George</b> for excellent concentration and a willing attitude                           |
| <b>Year 1</b> | <b>Amber</b> for being a phonics superstar  | <b>Aiden</b> for working really hard to improve his writing                                |
| <b>Year 2</b> | <b>Louie</b> for a HUGE effort with all his learning this week                            | <b>Scarlett</b> for her amazing listening and attention skills                             |
| <b>Year 3</b> | <b>Scarlett</b> for a GREAT WEEK with a fantastic attitude and fab work                   | <b>Ruby</b> for always giving 100%, lovely work and focusing on improving her presentation |
| <b>Year 4</b> | <b>Marley</b> for improving her focus and effort in Maths                                 | <b>Johnjo</b> for working more independently and putting in great effort with his Maths    |
| <b>Year 5</b> | <b>Lily R</b> for always doing her best and being a wonderful role model                  | <b>Kyran</b> for his much improved attitude to learning this week                          |
| <b>Year 6</b> | <b>Holly</b> for having an interest in and excellent knowledge about our Science learning | <b>Maison</b> for always having a positive attitude—what a superstar                       |

