

### Newsletter 3 27.09.2019 This Terms Value is: Kindness

**Towerwood:** Year 6 have overcome fears, developed their team building skills, shown perseverance and resilience but most of all discovered new things about themselves with plenty of fun along the way! From crate challenges to the trapeze, paddle boarding, canoeing and clambering over boulders, the children have been a credit to us and we are proud of each and every one of them for stretching themselves out of their comfort zone. All the staff have thoroughly enjoyed being part of their Towerwood experience. Thank you to Mrs. Sharp and Miss. Shore for looking after the children so well during their trip.















**MacMillan Coffee Morning:** Thank you to all of you who attended and to the children who bought cakes. We raised £80 for this worthwhile cause.

**Harvest Celebration:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October - We will be holding our annual harvest celebration in church and we would like to invite parents/carers and members of the church community to attend. Each class will perform a short harvest presentation – our theme is 'One Can'. We would be very grateful for any donations of non-perishable items to be brought to school on the day to support Living Waters Food Bank – please see the attached suggestion list.

**School Photos:** The Children will have their photographs taken by Tempest Photography on **Friday I I**<sup>th</sup> **October 2019**. Siblings will have their photographs taken together as well as individual photographs.

Whole School Pantomime visit: The whole school will be going to the Dukes Theatre Lancaster on December 11<sup>th</sup> 2019 to watch Sleeping Beauty. Please see the office if you have not received a letter regarding this.

**ALDI's Kit for Schools:** We are collecting Team GB stickers with ALDI's Kit for Schools. When you spend £30 in any ALDI store you will receive a special Team GB athlete sticker. Help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000! **Thank you for your support.** 

Road Markings: Lancashire County Council are meeting with school in order to discuss road safety around school this coming week. I will keep you informed!

**Parent Governors:** We have two vacancies for parent Governors on our hard-working and committed governing body.

Forms to complete have been sent out for any of you who are interested.

Martha's Hedgehog Help: Martha needs your help! Martha's aunty helps to run a hedgehog rescue centre in the local area. They are desperate for supplies of Kitten Biscuits, Go-Cat, Kitchen Rolls, old blankets, newspaper and old towels. We will place a box in Mrs. Townsend's office for any donations. Please see the attached letter from Martha herself!

Reading: One of our school improvement priorities this year is to develop reading across school and home. If you are able to spare some time to help hear children read in school for a morning or afternoon a week please let us know. This help is invaluable to us and our children and really appreciated.



**Brockholes Trip Y3/4:** a letter went out this week regarding the Y3/4 trip to Brockholes please see the office if you did not receive this and see Parent Pay regarding further details.

**Y1/2 Walk:** Y1/2 will be going on a science walk with Mrs. Whittaker – please can you ensure that you have returned your child's permission slip.

KIND REMINDER: Please could label all uniform and PE kits and make sure children have PE kits in school ready for lessons on a Tuesday and Thursday.

#### Health & Safety notes:

- 1. As PE lessons on Tuesday and Thursday are until 3.10pm, if the lesson is in the yard, please can parents wait only in the area in front of the Reception classroom door until the children go into school. This lessens distraction for some of the childrenhelps concentration.
- 2. Breakfast Club is in the playground until 8:45am (weather permitting) if Parents could please not enter the site until this time unless attending a meeting or through absolute necessity. When entering the site can you please make sure that you close any gate behind you. Staff will be around to help support with this.

**Admission Information for 2020-21:** Admissions for Reception places opened on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Please apply online to LCC by January 15<sup>th</sup> 2020. Our Admissions policy is available from school and on our website. An open day and evening will be available shortly.

**Secondary School Admissions**: Secondary applications can be made on line and you should clearly state 3 preferences for your child. If you are applying to a church school there is a supplementary form which needs to be completed. The closing date for Secondary School Admissions is **Thursday 31st October 2019**.

Water Bottles: Children can bring sports cap water bottles into school so that they have access to a drink in class throughout the day. Please ensure that their name is on the bottle and that they only fill their bottle with natural water.

**Dropping Off and Picking up from School**: The road outside of school is obviously very busy at the start and end of the day. In the interest of the safety of the children and all pedestrians under no circumstances are vehicles to be parked on the zigzag lines. This is dangerous and could cause an accident. Thank you for your understanding.

Out of School Clubs: Several after-school clubs will be starting shortly-

- KSI Multi-skills after school: Tue 10/09/2019 15:30-16:30 until 15/10/2019.
- **KS2 Football after school:** Thurs 12/09/2019 15:30-16:30 until 17/10/2019.



- Running Club KS2: Tues 10/09/2019 15:30-16:30. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS CLUB IS NOW FULL BUT A WAITING LIST IS OPEN.
- **Taekwondo before school club:** Every Thursday 8-8:50- all ages please contact the office for further details.
- **Guitar:** YI upwards, every Friday afternoon please contact office for further details.
- Young Voices: Tuesday mornings 8-8:45am further details to follow.
- **KS2 Dance after school:** Tuesday 29.10.2019 15:30-16:30 until 17.12.2019

Free School Meals: All children in Reception, Year I and Year 2 automatically qualify for Universal free school meals. However children in the infants and the juniors may qualify for free school meals because you are in receipt of certain benefits, in which case you need to register your eligibility. If you are eligible your child could qualify for Pupil Premium funding from the Government which will come into school to improve pupil attainment or provide additional opportunities. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Parent Pay: Please can you ensure that parent pay accounts are up-to-date.

Thank you to all parents, carers and families for your continued support. I hope that you had a great first week and that you have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Annette x



#### **Autumn Term Diary Dates:**

New dates for your diary have been added to the school website: To upload them directly to your calendar, follow these simple steps: Copy and Paste this address into your browser (it will not work if you click on the link through Facebook).

https://www.rivingtonprimaryschool.co.uk/events/

Scroll down to +export events and click on that Full list will appear, click on "add all" in the top right hand corner. Then click done.

- Meet the Teacher sitting one. September 9 @ 3:30 pm 4:00 pm
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- Towerwood Meeting Y6 Parents September 24 @ 8:30 am 9:00 am
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- Y6 Towerwood Residential October 1 @ 8:00 am October 4 @ 5:00 pm
- Harvest, Rivington Church October 9 @ 9:30 am 10:30 am
- Parent's Evening October 17<sup>th</sup> @ 3-6:30pm
- Staff Training day closed for pupils October 28 @ 9:00 am 3:30 pm
- Fun with Phonics EYFS November 1 @ 9:00 am 12:00 pm GMT
- Help Your Child with Reading Reception and Y1November 8 @ 9:00 am 12:00 pm
- Help Your Child with Reading EYFS and Y1 November 15 @ 9:00 am 12:00 pm
- Help Your Child with Reading EYFS and Year 1 November 22 @ 9:00 am 12:00 pm
- Balance Bikes for Reception November 25 @ 9:00 am 3:00 pm
- Balance Bikes for Reception November 26 @ 9:00 am 3:00 pm
- EYFS/KS1 Nativity December 9 @ 1:00 pm 3:00 pm
- KS2 Concert December 10 @ 1:00 pm 3:00 pm
- Panto Visit Cinderella Dukes Theatre, Lancaster December 11 @ 9:00 am 3:00
   pm
- EYFS/KS1 Nativity December 12 @ 1:30 pm 3:00 pm
- KS2 Concert December 13 @ 1:00 pm 3:00 pm
- Grandparent's Tea Party December 16 @ 9:30 am 12:00 pm



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- School Closes for Christmas Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 @3:15pm

