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30.11.2020

Well done to our Seven Wonders – what an amazing achievement!



❖ **Reception: Charlie C – for performing the daily mile with super effort and perseverance – he did every step with Mrs. Davies and never gave up!**

❖ **Y1: Charlie C – for demonstrating such perseverance when writing his own version of 'Jack and the Baked Beanstalk'.**

❖ **Y2: Finlay M – for demonstrating such perseverance when writing his own version of 'Jack and the Baked Beanstalk'.**

❖ **Y3: Tao K – for demonstrating such perseverance when writing his own version of the Pied Piper with fabulous concentration on his handwriting!**

❖ **Y4: Daniel O – for working extremely hard on his own version of the Pied Piper!**

❖ **Y4: Taylor Smith – for working extremely hard on her own version of the Pied Piper!**

❖ **Y5: Ollie H – for his amazing progress in maths all week.**

❖ **Y6: Siam B – for his fabulous creative writing – crafting an extra scene for Oliver Twist.**

**Happy Birthday: Zak D (Y5) and Phoebe G (Y5). Happy Birthday to both of you – we hope that you had a fab day!**

**End of Term:** School will close for Christmas on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** at:

- **2pm Y5/6, Y3/4 and siblings;**
- **2:10pm Y1/2 and EYFS;**

This is so that a deep clean and sort can be carried out by staff and external cleaners in preparation for our return in January. **The school day will begin at the normal times.**

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**A Huge Thank You** – to all of you who have already donated to school fund with either a donation or standing order – thank you. To say that we are overwhelmed by your generosity, at such a difficult time, is an understatement. I will be writing to personally thank each of. At a time when we have had such a loss of

income coupled with the expense of additional staffing and cleaning to maintain bubbles – your generosity helps us to continue to provide the very best for our Rivington Children. Many heartfelt thanks and blessings to all of you.

**Another HUGE Thank you** – to all of you who donated to our 'Break the Rules' Day. We think we have raised around £600 pounds from these two days alone which I'm sure you'll agree is outstanding. We cannot thank you enough for your generosity and thank you to Aimee, Thomas and Bella for coming up with the idea! We will give you the precise amount when the money has come out of its 72 hour quarantine! Again – many thanks.



**Food Donations:** LW Storehouse in Chorley are in the process of creating Christmas Hampers for those most in need this Christmas. Some of these will be delivered to our own families. This is a cause close to my heart so if you could donate any of the following the Storehouse will be immensely grateful. School will be collecting donations of any of the following to the Storehouse on the from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December for Christingle. Alternatively, you are able to drop-off any donations yourself up until the 17<sup>th</sup> of December:

- Toiletries,
- Chocolate Treats,
- Tinned Ham,
- Coffee,
- Jam,

- Stuffing Mix,
- Christmas Puddings,
- Cranberry/Apple Sause, Sugar,
- Hot Chocolate,
- Gravy,
- Tinned Vegetables.

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We appreciate your generosity

if you would like to give a gift or set up a standing order please use our bank details below

TSB LW Storehouse  
Account 08135168  
Sort code 77-06-06

cheques can be made payable to LW Storehouse and posted to  
Living Waters Storehouse  
33/45 Bolton St Chorley PR7 3AB  
email [storehouse@lwchurch.co.uk](mailto:storehouse@lwchurch.co.uk)  
07889 757045

**School Performances:** Although this year's nativity/Performances will be a little bit different due to current Covid-19 restrictions, we still want to give our children the opportunity to act, sing and dance in front of an audience and retell the important story of the birth of Jesus through their performance. The children are very excited to be taking part in this year's productions 'The Nativity' and 'Straw and Order'. Sadly, we are unable to invite visitors into school to watch our production live, however this year's production will be filmed in school on Monday 7th December and will be available to for you to purchase and watch together at home. There will be a charge of £7 per DVD and £10 per USB. For further details about ordering please see letter attached. Thank you.

**Christingle:** Christingle will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the children's class 'Bubbles'. Unfortunately, Parents/Carers will not be able to attend but we will video each class to share on Seesaw etc.

**Class Christmas Party Day:** On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December, the children will be having their class 'bubble' Christmas Party. **Children are able to come to school in party clothes – please make sure that they are warm, have a coat and are wearing appropriate footwear for playing outside.** We are inviting all the children to bring in a 'Christmas Packed Lunch' on this day – where they can have a few treats. Those

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children on school dinners can either bring in their own lunch on this day or add a couple of items to eat from home for their lunch.

**If anyone would like to donate any Christmas Crackers or Christmas Table Cloths for the occasion – we would be extremely grateful.**

**Breakfast with Santa:** Will take place in Class 'Bubbles' on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> December. Further information will follow.

**Christmas Dinner:** On Friday 18th December we will be having our whole school Christmas lunch. Letters have been sent home last week. Please complete the form and return to school by Tuesday 1st December. Do not complete if your child usually has a school dinner. If your child usually has sandwiches but would like to join in the Christmas dinner you will need to pay £2.30 (no payment for Year Rec, 1 and 2) by Tuesday 1st December via ParentPay. Thank you.

**Christmas Cards** To minimise any potential C-19 transmission between our numerous households we would politely request that Christmas cards are not sent into school and between classes or bubbles. Our older children usually manage the sorting and delivery of the many hundreds of Christmas cards in school but this year they are not able to travel around the school. Consequently, we will not be hosting our traditional post box in the corridor or running special deliveries to classrooms to protect year group bubbles.

Children will still be given the opportunity to make Christmas cards in school for family members and will be stored safely for the appropriate time-scales in accordance with current DfE guidance, before being sent home.

**'Toy Day'** Due to current Covid-19 hygiene protocols, children will not be able to bring in toys or games on the last day of term (Boo!). Staff will ensure that they are kept busy with festive fun and activities (Hurrah!).

**Link to school video and on Twitter-** We hope you have enjoyed watching our school promotional video. The video is on the website and our You Tube channel. Please remember, if you know anyone who is interested in joining our lovely school family then please direct them to our website or ask them to give me a ring. If you haven't seen it yet, follow this link:

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<https://www.livingstonprimaryschool.co.uk/>

**School Admissions:** Primary 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.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS** - The closing date for Primary School Admissions is **15th January 2021**. For information about our admissions criteria, please visit the school website.

**Term Dates 2021/2022:** The term dates for 2021/2022 are now live on the school website.

**What Parents Need to Know:** The PlayStation 5 is the next-generation video game console for Sony. It offers improved graphics, sound and much quicker loading times. It also has a new controller with motion-and force-feedback features for a more immersive experience. Parents should note that there are two different versions available that support discs or digital downloads.

In the guide attached, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as spending money, age-inappropriate content and strangers online.

**Black Friday Advice:** Once a transatlantic novelty, Black Friday is a now a pre-Christmas fixture in the British calendar. This year, of course, we won't be physically going into shops: the whole thing will unfold online. But it'll still be a colossal event, with millions of consumers hoping to find incredible purchases at implausible prices. With the clock ticking on all reductions and buyers bursting to bag the bargains before the mayhem concludes, it's also a time when the over-eager internet shopper can forget caution and become vulnerable to online risks.

In the guide attached, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as phishing attacks, overspending and unsecured sites.

**Road Markings/Double Yellow lines outside of school:** Please can parents forward their concerns regarding the approved road markings to:

[keith.iddon@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:keith.iddon@lancashire.gov.uk)

[phil.durnell@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:phil.durnell@lancashire.gov.uk)

I spoke to Mr. Iddon last week and have aired school's major concerns once again.



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Our local Councillor Kim Snape, who has done a wonderful job in supporting school, would also like to copied into any concerns you express to both Keith Iddon and Phil Durnell at:

[kim.snape@chorley.gov.uk](mailto:kim.snape@chorley.gov.uk)

We know the situation is horrendous at the moment but could School kindly request that Parents/Carers do not park on or in front of private drives and entrances near school which includes the Church. Parishioners often require the space to visit family graves.

Many thanks.

**EU Settlement Scheme:** Could I please bring to your attention the following information regarding the EU Settlement Scheme:

If you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 30 June 2021. You can also apply if you're the family member of [an eligible person of Northern Ireland](#).

If your application is successful, you'll [get either settled or pre-settled status](#).

The EEA includes the EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.

You may be able to [stay in the UK without applying](#) - for example, if you're an Irish citizen or already have indefinite leave to remain.

### **When you can apply**

The EU Settlement Scheme is open. You can [apply now](#) if you meet the criteria.

The deadline for applying is 30 June 2021. You must have started living in the UK by 31 December 2020.

[Which status you get](#) may depend on when you apply.

Except in a few cases, you need to apply if:

- you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen
- you're [not an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen](#), but your family member is (or is an eligible person of Northern Ireland)

This means you need to apply even if you:

- were born in the UK but are not a British citizen - you can [check if you're a British citizen](#) if you're not sure
- [have a UK 'permanent residence document'](#)
- are a family member of an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen who does not need to apply - including if they're from Ireland
- are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen with a British citizen family member

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If you have children, you need to apply for them separately.

If you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen and you have a family member who is an eligible person of Northern Ireland, you may be able to choose which way you apply.

**Reporting an Illness:** If your child is poorly, please contact the school to let us know as soon as possible and keep us updated. It is important that when leaving a message that all parents/carers please inform us of the reason/symptoms for the absence. If a Parent/Carer is reporting a positive test result can you, please speak to the office rather than leave a message. This week we have sent all parents/carers a useful 'COVID-19 Quick Guide' and key question responses to help if you may suspect your child has COVID-19 symptoms and what action to take. We are very appreciative for all our families taking these necessary precautions and helping to continue to keep our children, our staff and our families safe and well. Thank you.

As ever, thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation,

*The Rivington Team*