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26.04.2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to all our Seven Wonders winners:

- EYFS: Holly G. for your enthusiasm and determination with everything!
- Y1: **Emily M.** for exceptional effort with your spellings in phonics.
- Y2: **James P.** for always offering a 'helping hand'.
- Y3: **Isobel B.** –for an amazing first week back and setting an outstanding example for all around you!
- Y4: Lewis B. for 'cracking on' all week and producing fantastic work!
- Y5: **Amelia D.** for always being so enthusiastic, consistently working hard and is always one of the first to put your hand up in class!
- Y6: **Roxy V.** for always getting your 'head down'; completing all of your work and placing your best effort into all you do!



Happy Birthday: Louise (Y1), Emily (Y2), Jessica (Y2), Elliot (Y3).

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2021 is a Bank Holiday and school will be closed.

Voting Day Closure: Thursday 6th May 2021: Please can all Parents and Carers be aware that there will be an unavoidable school closure due to the school grounds being used for voting on Thursday the 6th May. Non-Contact Provision will be provided for all pupils. School staff will be in school taking part in training. A Statement from the DfE:

The use of schools as polling stations in the forthcoming election period

The Government has confirmed that local elections will go ahead on Thursday 6 May. Given significant disruptions already to education this year, **Returning Officers have been asked to avoid using schools as polling stations, where practically possible. In exceptional circumstances, where schools are used as polling stations,** we have asked that Returning Officers work with schools to minimise any disruption.

Pupils eligible to attend on Thursday 6 May should continue to do so. However, if necessary, for the safe operation of polling stations and to limit risks to staff and pupils, schools may ask some pupils not to attend, **and arrange non-contact provision on Thursday 6 May**. On-site provision should still be available to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers on election day and



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appropriate safeguarding measures should be put in place. Schools should not close to pupils on Friday 7 May.

In a letter to Returning Officers and schools, we have set out the detail of additional funding made available to local authorities to help Returning Officers avoid disruption to schools and cover the costs of cleaning, including any cleaning taking place after polls close, so that those schools can be open to pupils the following day. The following steps should be taken before schools resume use of their wholestate:

- ventilating any rooms used for polling, via full window and door opening to fresh outside air for at least 1 hour
- after ventilation, sanitising all hand touchpoints (for example door handles, rails and seats)

Ministers from the Department for Education and the Cabinet Office have published <u>a letter to all</u> <u>schools and Returning Officers setting out expectations for the forthcoming elections</u>.

Baroness Floella Benjamin: We are excited to let you know that our school will be taking part in a very special virtual event with Baroness Floella Benjamin, to celebrate the publication of both her picture book Coming to England: An Inspiring True Story About the Windrush Generation, and the 25th anniversary edition of her ever-popular middle grade memoir Coming to England. Ebb & Flo bookshop have invited us to this virtual event and are offering books

for sale at the special event price of £6 (normally £6.99). To order please refer to the email sent home last week and return your order form and correct payment to school by Tuesday 4th May 2021. Books will be delivered to school as near to the event as possible.



What Parents Need to Know About Snapchat: National On Line Safety have created a free online safety guide on Snapchat. Snapchat is a photo and video sharing app which also allows users to chat with friends via text or audio. Users can share images and videos with specific friends, or through a story' (documenting the previous 24 hours) visible to their entire friend list. Snapchat usage rose during the pandemic, with many young people utilising it to connect with their peers. The app continues to develop features to engage an even larger audience and emulate current trends, rivalling platforms such as Tik-Tok and Instagram. Please see the attachment for the guide.

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May Half-Term Sports Club Multi Games week: Tuesday 1st June 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021 at St Peter's Primary School PR6 0DX Times—9.30am— 3.00pm Age 5—11 yrs.

Join the Chorley SSP Team at Half Term! They will have a huge variety of games and sports to keep children fit, active, engaged and most importantly having fun throughout the holiday period.

Each day will range from Football to Rounders, Basketball to Athletics, Dodgeball to Netball and so much more!

Children will need to take a packed lunch, lots of water and to dress for the weather as activities may outside.

Cost: £20 per day or £70 for 4 days

To book on please visit

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

Facebook—Chorley School Sport Partnership Twitter— @ChorleySSP

Instagram— @Chorleyssp

Website https://www.chorleyssp.co.uk/ For further information please contact:

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Free School Meals - How to claim:

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 all qualify for a free school meal (Universal Infant Free School Meal) worth up to £418 per year, per child; you do not need to apply for this.

Year 3 and above

For school pupils in Year 3 and above they could qualify for a free school meal if you receive:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

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- Name
- Date of birth
- National Insurance Number

If you get any of the <u>qualifying benefits</u>, your child's school can get extra funding called pupil premium if you <u>register</u> with Lancashire County Council. More information can be found on Lancashire County Council's <u>free school meals page</u>.

Dates for Your Diary:

Date	Event
Monday 3 rd May	School Closed – Bank Holiday
Thursday 6 th May	School Closed – Voting – Staff INSET
Friday 28 th May	School Closes for Holiday (Return Monday 7 th
	June).



We are so proud! Riley W. is now in stage 4 for his swimming - earning his badge last week. We are all so proud of him – despite the pandemic and time away from the pool he's just carried on where he left off! Outstanding – we could not be more proud!



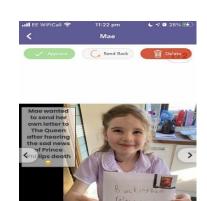
We could not be more proud 2! Well done to Martha for receiving 'Honours' (the top mark!) in her dancing exam – Wow! We could not be more proud!



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We could not be more proud 3! We are so proud of Mae who very thoughtfully wrote her own letter to the queen after the passing of Prince Phillip. What a kind heart – we could not be more proud!





Bikeability – Y6: Year 6 will be taking part in the Bikeability programme on 28th and 29th June. Further information and consent forms will be sent out shortly. Video introduction to Bikeability – https://www.uoutube.com/watch?v=Yilplux8naE



Have a wonderful week!

The Rivington Team!

"One day you'll look back and realise how hard it was, and Just how well you did."