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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to all our Rivington Remarkables Winners from last week:

- Reception: Charlie C. – for exceptional reading and writing – WOW!
- Reception: Matilda S. – Knowing all your sounds and being secure in Phase 4! WOW!
- **Y1: Charlie C.** – For amazing Science work!
- **Y1: Isabelle D.** – For amazing Science work!
- **Y1: Daisy H.** – For amazing Science work!
- **Y1: Louise K.** – For your exceptional efforts in reading – WOW!
- **Y1: Mika K.** – For wonderful creative writing and imagination.
- **Y2: James J.** – For amazing reading and writing.
- **Y2 James P.** – For exceptional maths – full marks in your test!
- **Y4: Louis Bl.** – for amazing reading – WOW!
- **Y4: Isobel B.** – For all the amazing effort you place into your reading.
- **Y4: Taylor S.** – For all the amazing effort you place into your reading.
- **Y3: Riley W.** – For being a shining example to all.
- **Y5: Thomas C.** – For your exceptional maths.
- **Y5: Ruby H-S, Phoebe G. and Emily F.** – For being a shining example to all.
- **Y5: Phoebe G.** – **For working exceptionally hard all week!**
- **Y5: Finley T.** – **For your fantastic achievements in maths.**



Happy Birthday: Gracie-Mae (Y6), Daniel O. (Y4), Max S. (Y1), Rueben M. (Y2), Thomas D. (Rec.), Charlie D. (Y4), Ewan M. (Y6), Lewis B. (Y4).

Update to parents on Covid-19 in Lancashire Schools: As you know, infection rates are very high at the moment and everyone needs to be vigilant, so please remember HANDS FACE SPACE. We will continue to contact parents and advise you to test your child if they have a cough, loss of taste or smell or a temperature. However, if your child displays any new symptoms of the Delta variant, which include runny nose, sore throat and headache or any of the other symptoms, we advise you to get them tested before sending them into school. We appreciate the inconvenience this will cause, but this may help to avoid greater disruption if bubbles subsequently have to close for ten days. With your continued support we hope to reach the end of the year with as little disruption as possible.

Update to parents on Covid-19 in Lancashire Schools: We have been advised by LCC Director of Public Health that if you or your child is a close contact of a positive case of COVID-19 then

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you/your child should get a PCR test, whether or not you show any symptoms. Please refer to our email sent out on 28th May for further information from Lancashire County Council. Thank you.

Adult/Family Learning Lancashire are holding the following events:

Just to let you know about the family learning sessions that are taking place next week and over the school holidays. As always, our sessions are FREE, and are a great way for children and their parents and carers to have fun whilst learning together.

BIG, Fun, Family Quiz (via Zoom)

Thursday 1st July 6pm-7:30pm

Enrol here: <https://www.lal.ac.uk/course/big-fun-family-quiz/BWDN1038/>

Get your thinking caps on and join us for the Big Fun Family Quiz (suitable for primary school aged children and the whole family!) Examples of these games include 'catchphrase', 'guess the song' and 'answer smash' (all game instructions will be clearly explained.) You'll be learning without even knowing it as you're having so much fun!

So, if you want to win, learn, laugh, or just find something fun to do with your family; enrol onto the Big Fun Family Quiz and we'll send you a zoom link and all the instructions.

Like any popular quiz, where the players have worked hard, the winner will receive a prize!

BIG Summer Challenge

Flexible throughout August

Enrol here: https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=14781

The course with the FUN factor! Are you up for it? Get outside and carry out amazingly fun challenges together as a family throughout the month of August. The challenges include: designing pavement chalk games, creating a DIY water play kit and playing nature bingo hunt. FREE Resource pack provided.

After completing all 4 challenges you will receive a certificate and you will also be automatically entered into our competition prize draw to win an Amazon voucher.

School Pick Up: When collecting your child/ren from school, please could all parents/carers ensure they enter the school premises via the driveway gate and onto the playground at THEIR ALLOCATED TIME. A member of staff will announce your arrival and your child will be sent out of school to meet you. **Please could all parents/carers entering school grounds wear a face mask.**

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please can parents not park their cars on the yellow lines; entrance to the rear carpark; entrance to the Bowling Green or on the Church Driveway. We are receiving lots of complaints from local residents – many of whom are unable to get their car off the carpark - and dangerous parking is resulting in our families having to walk in the road in order to get past cars.

To make a complaint regarding parking please go to:

www.lanacshire.gov.uk/parking

IMPORTANT NOTICE WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL.

As we have a number of children in school with severe food allergies, please could we remind all parents that school premises are NUT FREE and no products containing nuts should be brought into school grounds.

If children are bringing a packed lunch to school it is important that there are no products in the lunch box that contain nuts.

Reading Books: The school is running very low on reading book stocks. Please could all children and parents/carers check to see if they have any school reading books at home and return them to school as soon as possible but by Friday 2nd July at the latest. Thank you for your help.

Jim Jam Jog: What an amazing event! It really was a tonic after the last 18 months. The children really enjoyed themselves – putting their heart and soul into it - and every single one of them fully deserved their breakfast. As you know, the event was held to raise money for much needed home and school reading books that fit in with the phonic and teaching stages.



To say that we have been overwhelmed by your generosity is an understatement. We have raised a **staggering £2500 pounds** and have already ordered around £1500 fully decodable books for EYFS and KS1 – Mrs. Sharp is placing the KS2 order as we speak! We really cannot thank you enough – to all your family members and friends who gave so generously – we are eternally grateful.

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School Fair – Friday 18th June 2021: Again, another fantastic event! The sun shone - we had an amazing lunch and afternoon enjoying games, dancing and face painting (the majority being England football themed!). It was a fantastic event for the children who have missed so many social opportunities over the last 18 months. Again, we raised a fantastic amount of money towards improving reading in school - £500. This money is being used to contribute to the teachers completing Talk Nursery, Talk Reception, Talk 1 and Talk 3. These year-long courses are amazing. We have already completed Talk 5 and Talk 6 with fantastic outcomes for our children in reading and writing.



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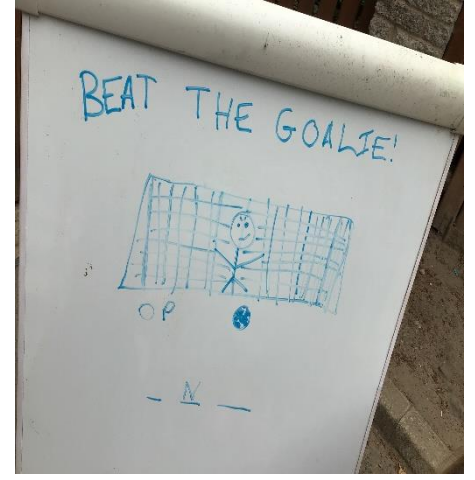


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Armed Forces Day 2021: A video to commemorate Armed Forces Day 2021 will premiere on YouTube at 1pm on Saturday 26th June 2021. Produced in conjunction with Chorley Council and South Ribble Borough Council, this online presentation with musical accompaniment by Leyland Band, allows everyone to show support of our Armed Forces. Due to the movement restrictions we are experiencing at this time, it is a suitable way to ensure that Armed Forces Day does not pass by unobserved. It is hoped that this online presentation allows a wider audience to participate and it helps to raise awareness of the occasion. Here is the link for the video on YouTube, which will air at 1:00pm and be available to watch again at anytime once the premiere has finished. <https://youtu.be/NzPj3c3F6JQ>

What you need to know about Online Safety: You don't need to be a football fan to have heard of the FIFA series of games (named after the Federation Internationale de Football Association: the worldwide governing body for the sport). Part of the franchise's massive appeal is that official licensing gives users the opportunity to play games as their favourite teams, controlling their favourite footballers. They either compete online against other players or work through a solo-player career mode. With updated editions launched annually, FIFA is playable on a range of consoles, with mobile versions available for smartphones and tablets.

In the guide attached, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as addiction, scams and in-game chat.

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).

To apply, you should contact your [Area Education Office](#). You will be required to provide your:

- Name
- Date of birth
- National Insurance Number

If you get any of the [qualifying benefits](#), your child's school can get extra funding called pupil premium if you [register](#) with Lancashire County Council. More information can be found on Lancashire County Council's [free school meals page](#).

Dates for Your Diary:

Date	Event
Monday 28 th June 6:00pm	ESafe Parents Meeting (Microsoft Teams) NO CHILDREN TO ATTEND.
Monday 28 th June	Bike-ability Y5
Tuesday 29 th June	Bike-ability Y5
Tuesday 29 th June	ESafe in school working with children.
Wednesday 30 th June	Doorstop visits – new starters.
Friday 2 nd July	Doorstop visits – new starters.
Friday 2 nd July	Children's Advocacy Meeting – St. James (online)
Tuesday 6 th July 1-3:00pm	New Reception Starters afternoon
Wednesday 7 th July 1:15-2:45pm	New Nursery Starters afternoon
Thursday 8 th July 9:30-12pm	KS2 Sports Day (No Parents)
Thursday 8 th July 1-2:45pm	KS1 Sports Day (No Parents)
Friday 9 th July	CHIP in Bloom
Friday 9 th July	End of Year Reports out
Monday 12 th July 4:30pm	Full Governors
Tuesday 13 th July	Art Day
Tuesday 13 th July 2-5pm	Parent's Consultations – if required from Report.
Wednesday 14 th July	Geography Day
Thursday 15 th July	Awe and Wonder Day – Inclusion and Equality.

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Thursday 15 th July 10am Friday 16 th July 1:30pm Friday 16 th July	Final zoom Get Together Y6 Leavers Service in school grounds – Y6 Parents only. School closes for Summer
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Bikeability – Y5: Year 5 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.youtube.com/watch?v=YjLpLuX8naE>

Have a wonderful week!

The Rivington Team!