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Dear Parents/Carers,



The situation in Ukraine is truly awful. I know this week could be challenging for many – please know that you are very much in our thoughts & prayers. This Newsround article may also be helpful: <u>Advice if you're</u> <u>upset by the news</u> to use with our children. I have also sent out a PowerPoint that we have used with the older children. Praying for a swift end to the situation and the safety of everyone concerned.

Congratulations to all our Seven Wonders winners:

- EYFS: Sophia M. for her fantastic effort in phonics both in school and at home.
- Y1: Freddie M. for his wonderful work in reading and phonics.
- Y2: Emily Mac. for working really hard all week.
- Y3: Ruby S. for her perseverance in maths all week.
- Y4: Alice W. for showing fantastic teamwork with her partner in Geography.
- Y5: Harry B. for putting his best effort into all his work he really is persevering with maths in particular.
- Y6: Zak D. for putting his best effort into his maths and English work he has written a superb story using brilliant vocabulary.



Happy Birthday to: Jacob F (Nursery), Daniel W. (Y1) and Layla J. (Y1). We hope that you had a great day!



World Book Day Author Workshop: We are delighted to be involved with the Ebb & Flo bookshop's World Book Day event with the fantastic children's author - Jen Carney - at 10.30am Thursday 3 March at Chorley Theatre! The event with be 'live-streamed' on Zoom to pupils in years 3-6. Parents can order Jen's books using the form attached. **Covid – 19 UPDATE**: Following the recent guidance from the Government, which came into effect on 24th February, there is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate. However, if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people. If you live with or have been in contact with someone who's tested positive you're no longer advised to do daily rapid lateral flow tests. Please follow the guidance below for testing

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/get-tested-for-coronavirus/

and also the link to 'People with Covid -19 and their Contacts' <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-withcovid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts</u>

for further information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your continued support.



How to safely return to your normal routine before 10 days:

Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. They should follow the guidance for their educational setting.

Parents Evening Spring Term 2022: Our Parents Evenings will take place on Monday 7th March 3:00pm – 5:30pm (Y5/6 2pm-5pm) and Monday 14th March 3:00pm – 5:30pm. Meetings will take place in the Church Hall. If you require separate appointments, please contact Mrs Townsend who will book the relevant appointment for you. Please wear a mask on arrival, although this can be removed during the meeting. We look forward to seeing you then.

WORLD BOOK DAY BOOKS



These are all the £1 World Book Day books.

A great 'bookshelf' of all the £1 WBD Books for 2022 – one version with QR codes – copy attached!

We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 4th March.** Please could your child come dressed up as their favourite book character and bring their favourite book to share with their class. Our school theme is Harry Potter – **if you fancy joining in!**



Non-Uniform Day for Easter Eggs: There are two nonuniform days on <u>Friday 11th March and Wednesday 23rd</u> <u>March.</u> In return for wearing their own clothes, children are asked to bring in an Easter Egg which will be used as prizes during our celebrations.



Red Nose Day is being held on Friday 18th March this year. Although school will not be selling the Red Noses, we will be taking part by wearing red for school and /or Red Nose T Shirts etc. We are hoping to raise yet more money for another worthy cause and hope you will help by contributing £1.50. The event will be added onto ParentPay after the half term break.

Smarties Challenge! We have had an amazing response to



our Smartie Tube challenge – thank you so much. <u>Could any remaining Smartie Tubes</u> <u>filled with any coins be returmed March</u> <u>14th 2022.</u> Many thanks in advance. If you have lost your Smartie Tube – stick what you can in an envelope!

There is a health and safety risk if dogs foul the play areas or around the entrances to school. Please can all dog owners be responsible at all times.

Chorley Council's Climate Change Poster Competition: Calling all young budding artists...let your creativity go wild by entering Chorley Council's Climate Change Poster Competition! The artwork should tell them one of the following, to be in with the chance of having your poster design installed on the side of one of their bin wagons!

- the little things we can do to help tackle climate change
- your climate action pledge

The deadline to enter is 1st April. Please send all entries to Chorley Council and **not school**. Please read the entry requirements and further information on the following link: <u>https://chorley.gov.uk/postercompetition</u>

Volunteer helpers: Thank you so much to all the volunteers who have come forward so far. We will be in touch regarding the necessary DBS checks very soon. If any other parents/carers feel you can spare some of your time to come into school to hear children read, help with trips, support in class, gardening club - please contact Mrs Townsend in the office to let us know how much time you can spare and when. Mrs Cliffe will co-ordinate which classes you will be in. As stated above all volunteers will require a DBS check.

Chorley Borough Council 10k and 2k Family Fun Run Sunday 8 May 2022: The family run is a lovely day out for all the family and a fun way to encourage children to get active. Each participant will receive a medal at the end of the race that they can wear with pride and come and show in class to teachers and classmates. The minimum age for the Family Fun Run is 4 years old. If you would like more information please visit: <u>https://bit.ly/3AxnDGG</u>

As part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations Rivington has been invited to take part in an oak tree planting ceremony. During the next month, we will be welcoming the Deputy Lieutenant of Lancashire, Mr Jeremy Gorick, who will plant an oak tree with the children and talk to them about his role and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Date TBC. **Young Voices:** We are delighted to confirm that the new date of the concert has been confirmed and will take place on Thursday 26th May 2022.

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Mindful March Calendar You can download the calendar <u>here</u>

Dates for Your Diary:

Date	Event
Monday 7 th March and Monday 14 th March	Parent's Consultations
Friday 4 th March	World Book Day
Friday 11 th March	Non-uniform for Easter Egg donations
Monday 14 th March	Full Governors
Friday 18 th March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 23 rd March	Non-uniform for Easter Egg donations
Friday 25 th March	3/4 Class Assembly
Wednesday 30 th March	Egg Rolling and Easter Parades
Thursday 31 st March	Easter Bingo
Friday 1 st April	School Closes for Easter Break
Tuesday 19 th April	School re-opens for the Summer Term