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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to all our Seven Wonders winners W/B 21.02.2022:

- **EYFS: Sophia M. – for a fantastic effort in phonics – at home as well as school.**
- **Y1: Freddie M - for working really hard all week in phonics and writing!**
- **Y2: Emily Mc – for working really hard all week.**
- **Y3: Ruby S – for her perseverance in maths this week.**
- **Y4: Alice W – for showing fantastic team-work.**
- **Y5: Harry B – for putting his best effort into all his work – he has written a superb story using brilliant vocab!**
- **Y6: Zak D – for putting his best effort into his maths and English work – he has written a superb story using brilliant vocab.**

Congratulations to all our Seven Wonders winners W/B 28.02.2022:

- **EYFS: Hattie B – for always trying hard and never giving up – even when things are tricky!**
- **Y1: Matilda S. – for always showing resilience in all her learning!**
- **Y2: Isabelle D. – for always putting 100% into everything that she does!**
- **Y3: Esme Rose B. – Miss Biggs was so impressed with her hard work this .**
- **Y4: Tao K. – for his fantastic History work and fantastic discussions with Miss Whitehead during the lesson.**
- **Y5: Charlie D. – for always working hard – creating super writing this week!**
- **Y6: Zain A-K – for fantastic ideas in RE – sharing them confidently and articulately.**



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



Non-Uniform Day for Easter Eggs: Thank you so much for eggs donated so far. There is another non-uniform day on **Wednesday 23rd March.** 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.



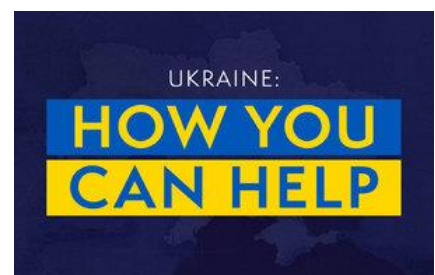
Red Nose Day is being held on **Friday 18th March** this year. Although school will not be selling the Red Noses, we will be taking part by wearing red for school and /or Red Nose T Shirts etc. We are hoping to raise yet more money for another worthy cause and hope you will help by contributing £1.50.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



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: [Advice if you're upset by the news](#) 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. Below are a few ways you may want to help:

Government website: Ukraine: what you can do to help

Everyone wants to do their bit to support those who have been forced to flee their homes because of the invasion. Here is how you can help. #StandWithUkraine



& in [First News Education](#)



What is happening in Ukraine and why?

The news is pretty scary right now and we imagine the children in your life will have a lot of questions around the rapidly changing news coming out of Ukraine. If you are struggling to discuss the situation in Ukraine with your children, [First News](#) is here to help navigate those difficult discussions with our free Ukraine Explainer and [daily news updates](#).

Children are more than welcome – if they wish – to wear a blue/yellow or both items to school tomorrow. If you would like to make a donation, you can do this at the [First News Just Giving page](#).

Chorley & District Support for Ukraine: A local group has been set up called "Chorley & District Support for Ukraine" which works closely with the Polish Community, St Laurence's Church and Chorley Council. They have acquired an empty unit in Chorley town centre where donations can be taken and sorted through by a group of volunteers. Please click on this link or copy and paste to your browser to watch a video which helps explain what Chorley and District are doing <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9fqevY2GdSc&t=20s>

Some donations such as clothes are not actually required at the moment and so the group has set up a Facebook page as a single source of information which can be kept accurate and up-to-date. Please click on the link or copy and past this link into your browser for more information:-

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1121686242002113>

Thank you Ukraine Emergency Appeal: St Laurence's Church, Chorley is acting as a drop off point for International Aid Trust's Ukrainian appeal. The things that are most required are First Aid Kits. These can be dropped off at St. Laurence's Church Tuesday – Friday 11am-2pm.

If bollards are placed across the Church drive it is because of the need for access due to a funeral/wedding where a car/hearse needs to park on the drive - do not remove them and please be respectful to our neighbours by not parking there and not playing loud music. Many thanks in advance.

ENGLISH

World Poetry Day

In 1999, UNESCO declared March 21st to be World Poetry Day - a chance to recognise the important role that poetry has played in cultures around the world. It may be one of our oldest art forms, but that doesn't mean that poetry has to be difficult or inaccessible.

Explore all the many [resources](#) available to support the teaching of poetry in the classroom – including the [Children's Poetry Archive](#)

Smarties Challenge! We have had an amazing response to our Smartie Tube challenge – thank you so much. Could any remaining Smartie Tubes filled with any coins be returned this week. 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:

<https://chorley.gov.uk/postercompetition>

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: <https://bit.ly/3AxnDGG>

As part of the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** celebrations Rivington has been invited to take part in an oak tree planting ceremony. On Tuesday 29th March, 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.

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 [here](#)

Dates for Your Diary:

Date	Event
Friday 11 th March	World Book Day
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