



Newsletter Friday 10th March 2017

Book Fair

Our annual book fair was very well attended again this year. As a result, school will receive commission of £355.05 to buy books. Thank you for your support.

Parents' evening

Your child's half year report has been sent home today. The parents' evening will be on Thursday 30th March between 3.45pm and 7.45pm. If you would like to make an appointment you can use the on-line service or alternatively contact the school office.

Rubber Covering – Playground

We had a query recently about the safety aspect of the rubber pieces on the playground. We have contacted both the HSE and the company supplying the rubber for information/advice. The rubber pieces we use are coated to prevent them shredding into very tiny pieces which could infect wounds or be inhaled. The HSE have also confirmed that there is no risk from the pieces or warnings in place regarding large rubber soft play surfaces. With that said, we are hoping to be able to replace the rubber pieces in time for the next academic year for something which will allow adequate drainage as well as protection from falls.

Y4 trip

This Wednesday, Year 4 enjoyed a tour of the Manchester Police Museum and learned about crime and punishment.

Easter Make and Take – Friday 24th March 2017

Letters have been sent home this week. Bookings for the Easter Make and Take can only be made from Friday 17th March. A PSFA member will be in the school foyer from 8.30am on 17th March.

Fit4Play

There will be no Fit4Play session with Skillwise Sports on Friday 24th March as the hall will be in use for the Make and Take activity.

Can you help?

In Reception class we will be relating our learning to 'castles, dragons, knights and princesses'. If you have any toys, books or costumes that you no longer require, the reception children would be extremely grateful.

Celebration Assembly

Thanks to the parents and Grandparents who support the celebration assemblies. Please keep using the side entrance at the hall to enter and exit rather than the front entrance.

School Teams

- **Y6 Football Team**
Congratulations to the Y6 football team who retained their unbeaten record this year by scoring 4 goals to 2 against Orrell St. James. As always, you were a credit to the school – Thank you.
- **Y5 Football Team**
Next week the Y5 football team will be playing St. Aiden's, we would be very grateful if a parent was able to help us with transport to the match.
- **Netball Team**
The Netball Team are due to begin their matches in the next few weeks.

Easter Raffle

During week commencing 13th March, we will be collecting chocolate/Easter egg donations for our Easter raffle. Y5 children will be in the school foyer every morning next week to collect the donations. Anyone who brings in a donation will be entered into a draw to win a £10 WH Smith voucher. This draw will take place at the same time as the Easter raffle on Friday 31st March.

Tickets for the Easter raffle will be on sale at morning breaks in the school hall and cost 25p each or £1 a strip.

Y3 trip

Year 3 will be visiting Walker Art Gallery on Friday 24th March and doing a 'Draw to Explore' workshop. Letters will be sent home early next week.

WOWS Music Festival

The Y3/Y4 choir will be taking part in the WOWS Music Festival on the evening of Thursday 23rd March. Tickets will be on sale next week and cost £5.

Comic Relief – Friday 24th March

We will be supporting Comic Relief on 24th March 2017. Each class will be looking at an aspect of the work Comic Relief does across the world. The children may wear their own clothes and/or something specifically linked to Comic Relief such as a red nose or special headwear. To tie in with National Skipping Day which is around this time, children can take part in a skipping challenge for £1. Did you know that completing 100 skips takes the same energy as walking for one mile? All proceeds will go to Comic Relief.

Awards

Holgate Hero Behaviour Award – Rec Lily Owen, Y1 Macey Cahir,
Y2 Ben Bennett, Y3 Dylan Moffett, Y4 Oscar Clayton, Y5 Cooper Bradley,
Y6 Daniel Logan

Holgate Hero Learning Award – Rec Jennifer Nodwell, Y1 Asma Hardi,
Y2 Krish Kathirgamanathan, Y3 Lucy Herbert, Y4 Gracie Marsh,
Y5 Aksharaa Prince, Y6 Lewis Rust

Lunchtime – Rec Reece Culshaw, Y1 Alex Lancaster, Y2 Alice Pownall,
Y3 Dillan Bowers, Y4 Arron Whittle, Y5 Cooper Bradley, Y6 Leo Birkett

Birthdays – Y2 Ellis Bradley, Rec Charlie Clay, Rec Harry Clay, Y3 Lucy Herbert,
Rec Jessica Jordan

A paper copy of the school newsletter won't be sent home every week but you can view the weekly newsletter on the school website.