



20th October 2017

Simonstone News

CELEBRATION OF SPORTS

On Friday 27th October 2017, we are holding a 'Celebration of Sports' Day in school. Children are invited to come into school wearing sportswear / kit representing any sport for a donation of £1.00. It will be a day full of fun sporting activities for the children and the money raised will go towards new School Sports kit.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 25 th October	Ribble Valley QuickSticks Hockey event 4-6pm
Thursday 26 th October	FOSS Fancy Dress Disco
Friday 27 th October	'Celebration of Sports' Day (see additional information)
Friday 27 th October	School finishes for half term 3.30pm
Tuesday 31 st October	Closing date for Secondary School admissions
Monday 6 th November	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th November	School reopens for children 8.55am
Monday 13 th November	School Photographs – Individuals and Siblings
Tuesday 14 th November	Parents' Evening (Reception, Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5)
Wednesday 15 th November	Open Afternoon for prospective Reception children and parents 1.30 – 3pm
Thursday 16 th November	Children in Need Fundraising Day
Friday 17 th November	Class 4 visit to Imperial War Museum, Salford
Wednesday 22 nd November	Parents' Evening (Reception, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6)
Friday 1 st December	FOSS Christmas Fair
Friday 8 th December	Class 3 visit to Gawthorpe Hall (Victorian Christmas)
Monday 11 th December	KS1 Nativity / KS2 Christmas Production 2pm
Monday 11 th December	KS1 Nativity 7pm
Tuesday 12 th December	KS2 Christmas Production 7pm
Wednesday 13 th December	Whole School Visit to Preston Guild Hall pantomime: Aladdin
Thursday 14 th December	FOSS Film Night
Monday 18 th December	Joint KS2 Christmas Tree Festival at Read St John's Church
Thursday 21 st December	School finishes for Christmas 2.00pm

School Photographs

The school photographer, Tempest, will be in school in the morning of Monday 13th November 2017 to take individual photographs of the children and photographs of siblings together. Please make sure that your children are looking their smartest for these photos.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES AND CHURCH SERVICES

Celebration Assemblies start at 9.10am

27 th October	Celebration of Sports – parents invited
10 th November	Celebration Assembly – parents invited
24 th November	Year 4 Assembly – parents invited

CLUBS AFTER HALF TERM

Mondays	Choir
Mondays	Christmas Crafts (Y1/Y2 & Y3/Y4)
Tuesdays	Cookery
Wednesdays	Y1/Y2 Street Dance

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL



The children in Class 4 will be selling poppies, bracelets, wristbands, reflectors, etc for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal from next Monday 23rd October 2017.

Suggested donation prices are:

Friendship bracelet £1.00 Flexi Ruler £1.00
Wristband 50p Reflective tag 50p

DINNER MONEY

Unfortunately the price of our school dinners is increasing from £2.00 a day to £2.10 a day.

We have tried to keep the price as low as possible for several years but due to the rising food costs, etc, we have had to implement this increase.

The cost of our school meals is still much lower than many schools who charge £2.30 a day.

From week beginning 6th November 2017, the cost for a full week will be £10.50. If your child has school meals, please send this amount in an envelope each Monday clearly labelled with your child's name.

Friday Favourites will also cost £2.10. If you would like your child to have Friday Favourites next half term, please send £12.60 (6 days) in a clearly labelled envelope on the first day.

REMINDERS!!

SCHOOL FUND

Thank you to all the parents who have already sent in their contributions to School Fund.

School Fund money is extremely important as a flexible funding source to buy additional items for such things as baking, after school clubs and art and craft activities.

The amount for the year is £10 per child. We would be grateful if outstanding contributions were sent in as soon as possible. THANK YOU!

Payment should be made as soon as possible in a labelled envelope.

ONLINE SAFEGUARDING RESOURCES

Websites for information on safeguarding whilst using the internet

In an increasingly technological world, it is important that children are given the skills and confidence to recognise the potential risks of the online environment. It is important that they learn how to make the right choices around 'risk'. We want our children to develop into confident and resilient users of technology – online safety is a skill for life that will continue to support them into adulthood.

The [NSPCC](#) has a website to help you keep children safe when they're using the internet, social networks, apps, games and more. The information is clear and designed for parents. It contains information about the apps and the potential risks and how to keep children safe.