



School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you—your response to my letter sent last week regarding Absences and Punctuality has been fantastic, we have seen a dramatic improvement already in school—keep up the good work!!

It is a shame that I have to mention again, parking around school, we receive weekly sometimes daily complaints. As per my text this week, please do not block the garages at the bottom of Wesley Street and can we remind you to be considerate to the local community when dropping off and collecting your child. It is such a busy main road and cars do go very fast past school, it is important to take extra care on these dark mornings and evenings. Thank you.

This Friday 2.2.24 is the PFA Chocolate Bingo evening—all tickets have been sold. This is great fun evening and raises valuable money for school. Thank you to the PFA for organising and thank you for supporting this event.

We have noticed that sweets and chocolate bars are creeping into packed lunches. Please do not send your child into school with these items in their packed lunch it simply isn't fair on other children.

We have received new reading books in school. We are delighted with these books and you will be seeing them when your child brings them home. Remember reading with your child at home is very important and we can see an improvement in their reading when it is regular. Unfortunately, we are going to have to start charging for books that are lost or get damaged at home, as money is very tight at the moment. A £4.00 damage fee will cover the expense of having to re-order.

After half term, we have Burnley Football Club providing sports provision 2 days a week in school. We are really excited to start with them. Please note that there is a change of PE days.

PE LESSONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS AFTER HALF TERM UNTIL EASTER.

After the Easter holidays Year 3 and some of year 4, 5 & 6 will be taking part in swimming lessons. Letters have gone home to the children taking part. If you wish your child to wear goggles, please remember to send the permission slip back to school asap. It would benefit your child enormously if you could get them used to swimming before the lessons start. We have found in the past children who do not go swimming take a while to get to used to the environment and delay the learning to swim element.

Year 6 children are working hard in class towards their SATs. These will take place week commencing 13th May 2024. We do not hype this up to the children, we just try to keep school as normal as possible. They will be well prepared and ready for the tests. Please can we ask that you avoid non urgent medical or dental appointments and holidays on the build up and during SATs week.

The Year 6 children will be going on their residential the first week after the Spring Bank holiday. Payment for the residential is on ParentPay and is due by 22nd March 2024. Any problems, concerns regarding payment please contact the office urgently.

Kindest regards, Elizabeth Maskell