

NEWSLETTER

Headteacher: Mrs Maria Whitehead

Friday 28th May 2021



Dear Parents,

We have arrived at the end of May and the end of this half term and thank goodness the weather looks promising for our half-term holiday!

Time seems to have flown by over the past 6 weeks because we have been so busy in school. We have had our May assembly for the month of Mary; we have celebrated Eid; we have enjoyed extra-curricular clubs again (even in bubbles!); we have had Mrs Bleasdale's special birthday with surprise guest Gary Barlow; we have gained class hamsters in Year 1; we have got more active for mental health awareness week; and we have even had a wedding in school this week as part of Reception class learning about different religions! This is on top of all the great learning that has gone on and all the rain-dodging we have had to do!!

The children and staff are ready for some well-earned rest and relaxation next week, and I wish you all a lovely half-term break.

I look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 7th June.

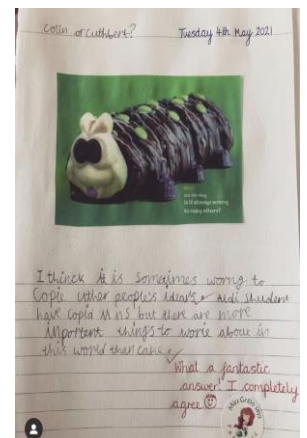
Enjoy the holiday,

Mrs Whitehead

Year 1 and Picture News

Year 1 have not only had hamsters in their classroom this week - they have had a visit from Colin the Caterpillar (cake) too! After doing some super work in their PSHE lesson which was based on this picture and question, "Is it always wrong to copy others?"

Miss Grillo was so impressed with Elara's work that she posted it on Facebook. Marks and Spencer saw the post and got in touch, thrilled that the children had been considering their product and whether other retailers should be allowed to copy their idea. Year 1 received a big parcel on Wednesday which contained 4 caterpillar cakes for them to enjoy as a thank you!



100 Club Draw Winners

Jan - C Taylor, D Juriansz
Feb - E Kendall, P Keck
March - L Oddie, A Eva
April - L Varley, N Rourke
May - A Eva, S Malpass

Remember you have to be in it to win it!! If you would like to join the 100 Club - Information on can be obtained from the office.

Covid-19 Track and Trace

The DfE has asked schools to continue to engage with Track and Trace over the half-term break. So could we please ask you to contact us on this number if your child tests positive for Covid-19 during the holiday. Please do not allow them to return on the 7th if they or anyone in your household develops symptoms. PCR tests can be booked online and packs of lateral flow tests are available free of charge from testing centres.

School mobile number: 07579 824805

After School Club are looking for Toy donations:-
Figures, Robots, Toy cars and Lego. No Board games thanks.

Mrs Pilkington has kindly let us know about the following free events and courses run by Lancashire Adult Learning that you might be interested in :

Amazing Animals

Thursday 3rd June, 10am-11:30am (Enrol by Thurs 28th May to get your FREE resource pack!)
For primary school aged children and their parents/ carers

Enrol here: https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=14035

Calling all animal enthusiasts! We've got an amazing half-term treat for you and your children in store. What's on offer during the session?

*You'll be introduced to strange animals that you won't even believe are real, carry out a fun feathery science experiment, make a cute craft, take part in an exciting predator game, and much more! All whilst learning and spending some quality time together as a family.

*As with many of our special events, you'll also receive a free resource pack on enrolment. Please note this course is free to Lancashire residents (excluding devolved postcodes.)

Lancashire Adult Learning are also offering a range of FREE online courses for next half term. These can be found on the Family Learning Padlet:

https://padlet.com/Family_Learning_LAL/familycourses

These include:

- Get into...Working with Children- FREE Entry Level 3 accreditation
- Create a Story Sack (Resource Pack included)
- Look Who's Talking- Speech and language
- Closing the Gap: Phonics and Early reading skills (Resource Pack included)
- Ready, Steady School
- Moving on- Year 7 Maths
- You've Got This: Health & Wellbeing for 8-11yr olds
- Family LEGO Club (After school- Resource Pack included)
- Family STEM Club (After school- Resource Pack included)
- Family Yoga (Saturdays- Resource Pack included)

Easyfundraising

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online! Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate, so you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying. These donations really help us out, so please sign up if you haven't yet. It's easy and FREE! You can get started at [Easyfundraising](#)

Uniform

A reminder that the children should come to school in their blazer in the summer term, except on PE kit days. They can also bring a rain mac in a sack in case of bad weather. Jumpers / cardigans are optional in summer term. Both girls and boys should wear short navy ankle socks. Shoulder length hair should be neatly tied back and only school headbands are allowed. Please help us maintain our high standards of uniform and appearance.

Dan Freedman Author Visit

On Thursday 10th June, years 1 to 6 will be having an online author visit from the best-selling novelist, Dan Freedman. Dan is best known for writing Jamie Johnson Series. Here is a message from Dan himself.

[Dan Freedman video](#)

Dan's books are aimed at children in Keys Stage 2 but we think that children in Key Stage 1 will benefit from virtually meeting a best - selling author. If you would like to order some signed books by Dan, children in years 1 to 6 have been sent home with an order form. Please complete and return this form, along with the money, before 10th June.