



# St Peter's C.E. Primary School

Love, Challenge, Inspire!

*'Let your light shine'*

Matthew 5:16

## Weekly Newsletter

13<sup>th</sup> January 2023



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Happy Friday! Despite the dark mornings, rainy days and dark nights all our children have been letting their lights shine and working hard in school.

### Class Newsletters

Today your child will have brought home their class newsletter. We hope you find them informative and it allows you to support your child on their learning journey at home. You will have received a paper copy and further copies are available on your child's class dojo and class page on the school website.

### Uniform

If your child grows out of their school uniform but it is still in good condition, we would very much appreciate it if you would kindly donate it to school. We are particularly short of spare Junior sized uniform.



### Trainers

Please can children not wear Astro turf trainers for school on their PE days as they are spoiling the hall floor and also don't grip as well on the playground causing Health and Safety issues. Thank you in advance.



## Beautiful Examples of Year 6 Writing

The children have been working hard to blend dialogue, action and description to advance the action.

"Give me my shoe back!!!" yelled Dorothy in pure anger. The wicked witch cackled in delight as Dorothy grantically reached out to grab her silver shoe back. This made Dorothy furious. "You really are a wicked... thing!" She spat to the creature who was getting the shoe on her bony leg. With an instance, instinct told her to throw the bucket of water on the nasty witch. And so she did... Instantly, the evil magician started to melt, like chocolate left under the sun for ages.

Suddenly, the witch beckoned the poor Winkies over with her long, evil little fingers. "Slaves, kill those trespassers! Bring me back their bones and I'll celebrate triumphantly!" bellowed the livid witch. Slowly they shuffled out the door with their newly sharpened spears. "Revenge - revenge," the evil witch muttered, whilst swinging her silver whistle around her pointy shrivelled finger. Charging nervously, the Winkies looked back at the castle, picturing what will happen if they failed the task.

slipped the silver shoe over her fat, filthy foot, and declared, "At last! The slipper is mine, and there's nothing you can do about it, little girl!"

"No!" screamed Dorothy, heart-broken and furious, falling to her knees and trying desperately to pull her beautiful shoe from the witch's heavy left foot. It was no use; the witch weighed as much as an elephant, and it had been said that nothing could lift her. Dorothy fell backwards with the effort, while the wicked beast cackled at her.

and the little girl landed next to the heavy bucket of dirty water the witch had made her clean the floors with before. This gave her an idea, and without pausing, hauled the bucket high in the air, and tipped it over the cruel beast.

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"All these years I have ruled this territory, those filthy beasts are going to regret this!" The witch shouted furiously. Suddenly Dorothy held tightly in her arms. "Let me go!" Dorothy shouted. "Let what do you want from me?" With a ragged look on her face, the witch demanded that Dorothy was to be taken to her room and not make a sound. And so the poor girl did. Day by day, Dorothy would go down to the lion and feed it raw meat. She would cry at night hoping for a change. "I don't belong here! I need to leave and get back to Kansas!" She said to herself. The next morning, Dorothy was going to feed the cowardly lion until "AHH!" Dorothy screamed. The witch tripped her up and without thinking, the witch stole her silver shoe! "Give me back my shoe!" Dorothy demanded. "Why should I, you don't even know how to use it." The witch laughed. Dorothy noticed a bucket of water behind her, and threw it straight at the witch. "Do you know what you have just done?" she said. "No!" And slowly the witch melted away.

The witch eagerly wanted to steal the silver shoes, for she had a jealousy of the wicked witch of the East, the original owner of the shoes. While Dorothy was eating, she thought of a cunning plan, because she was away from her, and also the only time she took her silver shoes off. But, she couldn't touch water, because she would melt, leaving no trace. The witch thought, "I shall use my powers to fool her, she'll make an iron bar invisible - so when she trips, I can snatch that silver shoe for ever!" She was really very sly, excited with her idea.

Eventually, Dorothy comes through to the kitchen and then, OOF! Dorothy tripped, losing the silver shoe and bruising her knee.

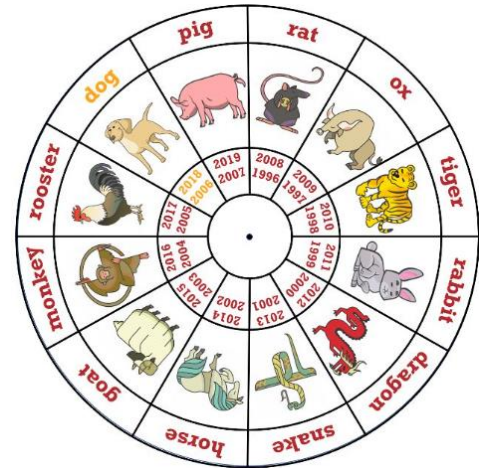
"Ow! Hey, give that shoe back!" Dorothy yelled. This journey was becoming tedious! The witch then screeched with happiness, "Now I have power, you'll never defeat me!"

## Chinese New Year

This week in school the Reception children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year. They have been looking at artefacts from Miss Walsh's travels, learning ordinal numbers, creating lanterns, retelling 'The Great Race' and learning about the Chinese zodiac years.



Enjoy talking about and finding out which animal is your child's zodiac year:



## Chorley Writing Competition



Exciting news! Chorley Council in partnership with local schools are running a writing competition entitled:  
**What's Your Story Chorley? 2023**

As a school, we are hoping to get as many entries as we possibly can from KS1 and KS2 so that we can show the incredible writing skills we have here at St Peter's in Chorley. In class, children have watched a video by Jen Carney, an author from Chorley, who has shared her tips for writing. The competition is externally judged and any winners will be invited to Chorley Town Hall. School will be notified of any winners in late **February 2023**.

The competition theme for 2023 is: **My Community**

The idea is that children will produce a piece which celebrates what they love about where they live. The writing can be:

**A poem**

**A short piece of prose – maximum 500 words**

**An illustrated / graphic piece which conveys a celebratory message**

**An advert or piece of persuasive writing.**

**A piece in any writing genre which is the current class focus**

Or

A piece of their own choice. These can be word processed or handwritten but **must be all the children's own work**. Your piece must have your child's name, year group and our school name (St Peter's C.E. Primary School)

**The closing date for the competition is Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023**. Entries after this date cannot be accepted. **Please give your writing entry into Miss Blackburn who will ensure that the entries are submitted to the Town Hall.**

**Good luck everyone!**

## Big Bird Watch

Big Garden Birdwatch is fun, free and for everyone, and you don't need a garden to take part! Counting birds from your window, or your local park will play a vital role in helping us understand how UK birds are doing. Sign up for your free guide and let's look out for birds together on 27-29 January 2023.



Follow the link to sign up for free : [Take part | Big Garden Birdwatch 2023 - The RSPB](#)

## Admissions

Admissions for next year close this weekend please visit the LCC website. If you are interested in a place for your 4-year-old for September 2023, please do get in touch with any questions or to arrange a visit.

Please follow the link to apply for Primary places below: [School admissions - Lancashire County Council](#)



Reading Rucksack "*I'm wondering what to read next.*"

*Matilda, Roald Dahl*

The Reading Bears are looking forward to going on new adventures this weekend. Don't forget to share a photograph with us.



## Reflection Time

Our reflection this week has been focused on the story of Simeon and Anna from the Old Testament. Simeon had for his whole life longed to meet the Messiah and he believed that the Holy Spirit had placed a deep hope in his heart. Simeon met Jesus as a young baby. He knew the hope he had carried all his life had been worth the wait. It is this value of hope we should carry as we enter a new year. A hope for peace, love and faith in 2023.

*"This child is God's Promised One. He will save God's people.  
Many will accept him and others will not."*

Luke 2:22

## Faith Award



This week our Faith Award is awarded to George in Birch Class. George showed much caring and kindness towards a little girl who kept running onto the pitch at football. George made sure that she was safe at all times as he did not want her get hurt. George also showed great sportsmanship towards his fellow team mates and received the 'Man of the Match' for great listening. Well done George, you certainly have let your light shine 😊

## Merit Winners

Every week one child from each class gets their name in the 'Golden Book' for excellent effort and hard work. This week, the children who received a merit certificate are:



## ATTENDANCE SUPERSTARS

This week's winner(s) of the attendance fiver for best overall attendance are:

*Birch*

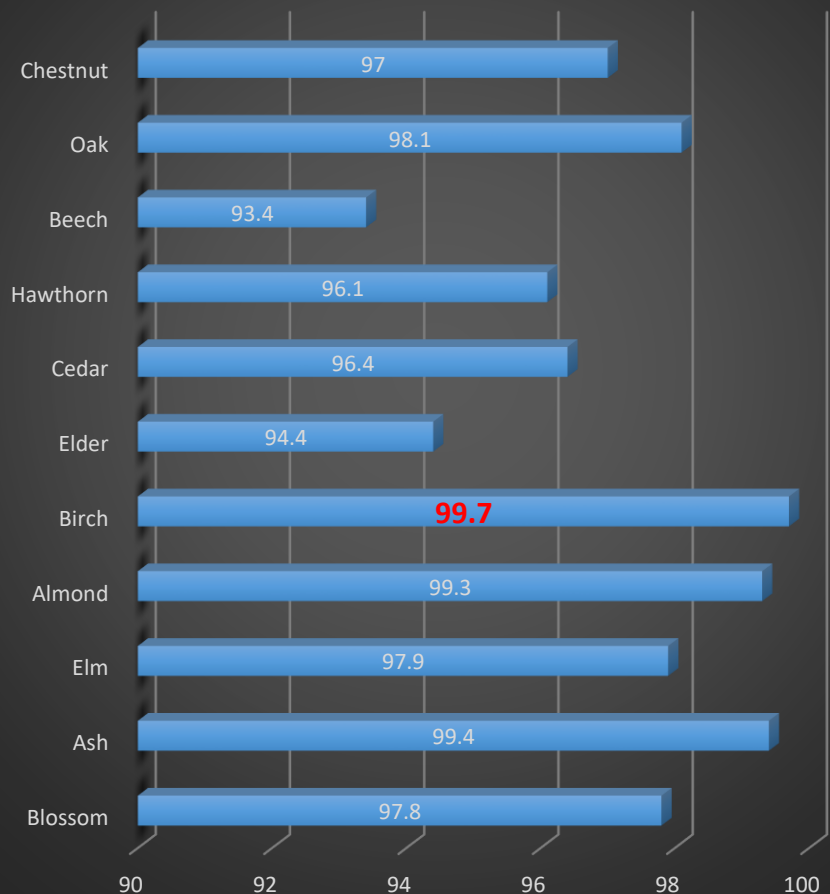
## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to all our children who celebrated their birthday this week!

To celebrate, rather than sweets, children can bring in a book to share with their class.

**Eva-Grace**  
8 years old  
"You Can Do it Sam"

## THIS WEEKS CLASS ATTENDANCE 09/01/2023 - 13/01/2023 SCHOOL TARGET IS 97%



Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Take care and stay safe and remember you are always in my thoughts and prayers.

Kind regards

Miss Brown

'Let your light shine'



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# Menopause Fair

Dedicated to all things menopause

• **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023**  
**10am – 3pm** •

**Town Hall, Market Street,  
Chorley, PR7 1DP**

**Ladies...why not bring along your  
partners so that they  
can find out more**

There will be stalls promoting:  
Wellbeing, Tai Chi, Massage, Pilates, Exercise,  
Diet & Lifestyle, Skincare, Breast Screening, Reiki,  
Therapy Services, Hypnotherapy,  
Specialist menopause Services,  
and much **much** more.

**Come along and see for yourself**

## January 2023

15<sup>th</sup> Jan – Admissions Close for Primary School Children starting Sept 2023

19<sup>th</sup> Jan – NSPCC Workshops for Year 5/6

25<sup>th</sup> Jan – Chestnut Class visiting Church

## February 2023

1<sup>st</sup> Feb – Reception Make and Take Fun Phonics Workshop

7<sup>th</sup> Feb – Safer Internet Day

8<sup>th</sup> Feb – Beech Class visiting Church

9<sup>th</sup> Feb – Chester Zoo Trip – all Infants

10<sup>th</sup> Feb – House Winners Non-Uniform Day

10<sup>th</sup> Feb – Reception Balance Bike Festival

10<sup>th</sup> Feb – Dojo Tea Party

10<sup>th</sup> Feb – School Closes for February Half Term at usual time

20<sup>th</sup> Feb – School Re-Opens for all children

## March 2023

1<sup>st</sup> March – Elder Class visiting Church

2<sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day / Spelling Bee

15<sup>th</sup> March – Hawthorn Class visiting Church

20<sup>th</sup> March – Assessment Week in school begins

21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> March – Parents Evening

22<sup>nd</sup> March – Rock Steady Performance to parents 2:30pm

24<sup>th</sup> March – Non-uniform day – bring in chocolate for Easter Bingo

27<sup>th</sup> March – Holy Week begins in school

29<sup>th</sup> March – Cedar Class visiting Church

30<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Bingo – 5:30 – 6:30pm

31<sup>st</sup> March – House Winners Non-Uniform Day

31<sup>st</sup> March – Dojo Tea Party

31<sup>st</sup> March – School Closes for Easter Holidays at usual time

## April 2023

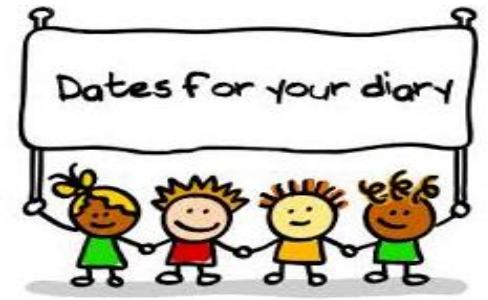
17<sup>th</sup> April – School Re-Opens for all children

21<sup>st</sup> April – Class Newsletters to go home

21<sup>st</sup> April – Earth Day

26<sup>th</sup> April – St Peter's Antique Roadshow Afternoon

## May 2023



1<sup>st</sup> May – School Closed for May Day

5<sup>th</sup> May – Coronation Celebration in school

8<sup>th</sup> May – School Closed for Coronation Bank Holiday

9<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATS Week Begins

15<sup>th</sup> May – Year 2 SATS Week Begins

24<sup>th</sup> May – Beech and Chestnut (Year 5) Bikeability

26<sup>th</sup> May – School Closes for May Half Term at usual time

## June 2023

6<sup>th</sup> June – School Re-Opens to all children

6<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 Multiplication Check Assessments will begin

8<sup>th</sup> June – Beech Bikeability

8<sup>th</sup> June – Freddie Fit

8<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Residential Meeting for Parents – 5pm in Oak Classroom

9<sup>th</sup> June – Beech Bikeability

12<sup>th</sup> June – Whole School Assessment Week Begins

12<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Phonics Screening Assessments Begin

19<sup>th</sup> June – Healthy Aces Week Begins

21<sup>st</sup> June – Years 1 and 2 Sports Day – 9 – 10:15am (Weather permitting)

21<sup>st</sup> June – Years 3 and 4 Sports Day – 10:30 – 11:45am (Weather permitting)

21<sup>st</sup> June – Years 5 and 6 Sports Day – 1:30 – 3pm (Weather permitting)

22<sup>nd</sup> June – Reception Sports Day – 2:15 – 3:15pm (Weather permitting)

26<sup>th</sup> June – Chestnut Year 5 Bikeability

27<sup>th</sup> June – Chestnut Year 5 Bikeability

28<sup>th</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Residential

30<sup>th</sup> June- Geography Field Work Day

## July 2023

11<sup>th</sup> July – Reception Teddy Bear's Picnic

13<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Production to Parents 2pm and 6pm

17<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers Service in Church 2pm – TBC

18<sup>th</sup> July – Pens for Putts

19<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers' Lunch in School

19<sup>th</sup> July – Rock Steady Performance to Parents – 2:30pm

20<sup>th</sup> July – Leaving Shoes for Sunshine School

20<sup>th</sup> July – Whole School Closes for Summer Holidays at 2:30pm

Stay Late Club Closes at 4:30pm for all children

# Chorley Football Development



At Southlands High School (Sports Hall)  
Clover Road, Chorley, PR7 2NJ  
Starting on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**In association with First Kick Football**

School years - Rec & Year 1

5:45pm - 6:30pm

School years - Year 2 and Year 3

6:30pm - 7:30pm

School years - Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6

7:30pm - 8:30pm

Dear Parents,

Places are now available to join a new **12-week football course every Thursday at Southlands High School, starting 26<sup>th</sup> January**, which is open to both boys and girls.

Our courses teach children correct football techniques by FA qualified coaches who have full DBS (CRB) clearance to work with children. The structure for the course is 'FUN through Football,' building confidence for total beginners and moving onto more complex sessions for experienced players.

We provide a **ball per player** for the majority of our drills ensuring children get more touches of the ball and improve quicker than conventional coaching where children are waiting around to have a turn. The sessions are held in the fantastic sports hall so trainers should be worn. Players are also advised to bring a still drink for the session.

**The club has links to local junior teams of which players will be able to play for at the weekend. Players who show advanced ability on the course will be recommended for trials at professional academies. Players who have previously attended courses are currently playing for Blackburn Rovers, Preston North End, Manchester United, Liverpool, Blackpool, Everton, Burnley, Bolton, Oldham, Rochdale and Wigan.**

The cost of the course is just £5.50 per week, which is payable in two instalments. The first payment of £25 is due when booking your child on and the second payment of £40 due at the first session. Parents are encouraged to watch the sessions but are welcome to leave children, as every session is fully supervised.

## **\*\*NEW TOURNAMENT FORMAT\*\***

**Every four weeks we have a tournament in order for the children to put their new-found skills into practice with medals awarded for various categories.**

**ALL PLAYERS WILL RECEIVE A TROPHY** at the presentation, which is held on the final week of the course. Additional trophies will also be awarded in each group from categories including; Best Attitude, Star Player, Most Improved Player, Most Promising Player and Hardest Working Player.

**To book a place for your child please telephone the number below as soon as possible as a high response is expected.**



Lee

**TO BOOK PLEASE TELEPHONE  
01772 428 086 or 07514 316534**



We cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to property or clothing  
**Please note we have a strict no refund policy once the course has been booked**