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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

Dear Parents/Carers

We welcome back our children and families for the final half term of the school year. I hope you all had a lovely half term holiday. This is a busy, but fun filled half term. Please see the dates for your diaries at the end of the newsletter.



Congratulations

Welcome to Theo, a brother to Owen. Born on Saturday weighing 8lb $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Congratulations to the whole family.

Year 6 Transition

St Augustine's Transition

As some of our Year 6 children are now moving towards the transition to St Augustine's, we thought it may be helpful to remind you of some important dates for your diary. To ensure a smooth transition, on Thursday 15th June, during school time, the children will be having a talk with St Augustine's staff here in school. Thursday 13th July is the after school preparation Crossroads Programme here in school for children from 3.45pm- 4.45pm Current St Augustine's pupils will come to school to talk to our children about life at St Augustine's. This is a really useful and informative session for the children who can ask any questions they may have. (Please collect your child from school at 4.45pm on this day). Tuesday 20th June is the St Augustine's Intake Day, children should meet school staff at St Augustine's at 9.05am and be collected at 2.30pm from St Augustine's. The children will be spending the day in the ICT department. Tuesday 4th July is the Intake Mass at St Augustine's at 6.00pm and our Crossroads Mass with St Augustine's is in church on Sunday 16th July at 9.30pm. We welcome all families to our Crossroads Mass.

Children going to Bowland will attend transition days on Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th July
Children going to Ribblesdale will attend transition day Monday 19th June at 9.00am and Tuesday 27th June at 4.00pm
Children going to Clitheroe Grammar will attend a transition morning on Friday 30th June.





Golden ticket winners

Well done to Ellie Year 6 Abi Year 5 Willow in Year 4 and Pawel in year 2.

Year 1 Phonics Assessment

Next week our year one children will complete their National phonics tests with Miss Britnell.

Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

Prior to the holidays a number of our Anti Bullying Ambassadors attended a governors' meeting at which they gave an excellent talk about the wonderful work they do in school. Well done children and thank you. The governors were very impressed! Than you to Miss Smith for supporting them.

Building Work

As you are aware, the building work is still on going. There is no disruption in terms of the school day or to the children but I appreciate that entering the building can sometimes be a problem due to blocked access.

Please can I remind you that before 8.55am children should not to be brought in to the school via the main office or dropped off and left to come through by themselves. Children need to be supervised in the area outside the main entrance where the building work is taking place. The builders are presently working in this area and the passageway from the main door to the office is not supervised so for Health and Safety reasons children should be accompanied in through the main door to the office if they are late and signed in by an adult. The school gate is closed at 8.55am for the start of school.

Thank you for your patience whilst this work is being carried out. I'm sure that once it has finished you will be very happy with the improvements.



Sacrament of First Holy Communion

On Sunday, our Year 3 children will receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion. This is a significant and important event in their spiritual life and their journey of faith. We warmly welcome family and parish members to join us, at 11.00 am, for this special Mass.

Year 3 parents please note that a Photographer has been booked for 9.30 am at parents request. Photographs will take place, in the school hall, due to the weather forecast. Please ensure your child arrives, from 9.40 am onwards, as they will have an individual photograph followed by a group one at about 10.30 am.

Bags to School

This week you should have received a Bag to School, via your child, for you to "fill". Unfortunately, they will not accept damaged, worn out items or school uniform. A full list of items accepted is provided on the bag.

Full bags will be collected at 9.00am on Monday, 12th June, therefore, please ensure that these are returned prior to 9.00am on Monday. Thank you for your co-operation.



Sporting achievements

Well done to Will in year 6. He has won the inter school level one cultural competition which is run through Hyndburn and Ribble valley schools. His sports pledge will be put forward to be entered into the Lancashire final. His pledge was about the 5 values of respect, determination, passion, honesty teamwork & self-belief in sport.

Well done to Max in year 6 who got a hat trick in cricket managing to send 3 opposing batsmen out in 3 balls. Max has previously been awarded the clubs fielding award in his debut season last term. A future star on the horizon!

Well done to Ellie and Florence in year 6 who ran in the Cross Country at Marl Pits on Thursday. They represented Hyndburn & Ribble Valley in the Lancashire Cross country event. With over 100 runners, Ellie came an impressive 23rd and Florence 34th. Mrs Wilkinson has competed in this XC event and can confirm that it is a tough course with plenty of mud to try and get through!! Well done girls.

Dinner Money

It is a real help if you can pay dinner money at the start of every week (£2.20 day/£11 per week) or, at the beginning of the term, if you pay half termly.

From last Monday, 5th June up to the end of the Summer term (Friday, 21st July) the amounts are as follows:-

• 5 days per week	=	£77.00
• 4 days per week	=	£61.60
• 3 days per week	=	£46.20
• 2 days per week	=	£30.80
• 1 day per week	=	£15.40

Payment may be made, on line, via Parentpay or by cheque/cash at the office. If paying by cheque this should be made payable to LCC.

School cannot cover the cost of unpaid school dinners. If payments are not kept up and the outstanding balance is over £30 you will be asked to provide a packed lunch for your child. The office reminds parents when they are owing money and we would appreciate the payments been made promptly.

The Parentpay system is easy to use and as with secondary schools it can be topped up. £2.20 is deducted for every meal your child has so it is easy to work out how much you will need to cover one week. Letters will be sent to those with outstanding money if texts reminders have not been received.



Colouring competition

Well done to Eleanor, Leila, Isabella D, Lexi, Natalie, Eliza and Beatrice who have been raising money for charity with a colouring competition. The prize winners will be announced in assembly on Monday.

Eleanor, Leila, Isabella D and Lexi have raised £26.40 for muscular dystrophy and Natalie, Eliza and Beatrice have raised £12.85 for Cancer Research.

Week commencing 12th June there will be a chance to buy raffle tickets to win a family pass for Thornton Hall farm. Year 5 will be selling tickets for 20p. All proceeds will go to school funds.

Dates to the end of term

Please be aware that some of these may change but you will be informed.

Monday 12 th June-	Road safety- all week
Monday 12 th June-	Tempest Photographs being collected
Tuesday 13 th June-	Year 1 Phonics testing
Wednesday 14 th June -	Year 2 phonics screening
Wednesday 14 th June-	Year 5/6 girls cricket at Ribblesdale School
Thursday 15 th June -	St Augustine's talk to Year 6
Thursday 15 th June-	EYFS bikes & Scooters
Thursday 15 th June -	Inter schools Cross country event on the school field. 1.45pm start
Friday 16 th June-	Year 5 celebration assembly
Friday 16 th June-	Year 5/6 boys cricket at Ribblesdale School
Monday 19 th June-	MADD week (Music, Arts, Dance & Drama)
Monday 19 th June-	Ribblesdale Intake Day
Tuesday 20 th June-	St Augustine's year 6 intake day
Wednesday 21 st June -	Bowland High school intake evening
Wednesday 21 st June -	Full Governors Meeting
Thursday 22 nd June-	Prayer Friends Tea Party
Thursday 22 nd June -	High 5 netball competition at Ribblesdale
Friday 23 rd June-	Celebration Assembly
Monday 26 th June -	Clitheroe Grammar intake evening
Tuesday 27 th June-	Commissioning/Blessing Mass for Chaplaincy Team in church at 9.00am
Tuesday 27 th June-	Year 1& 2 trip to Sealife, Blackpool
Tuesday 27 th June -	Augustine's Intake evening
Tuesday 27 th June -	Ribblesdale Intake event
Wednesday 28 th June -	Reception Intake visit-
Wednesday 28 th June-	Year 2 Pirate Day
Thursday 29 th June -	Year 6 trip to Stonyhurst Science Fair
Friday 30 th June -	Year 6 trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach
Friday 30 th June-	Clitheroe Grammar transition morning 8.50am - 12.15pm
Friday 30 th June-	Celebration assembly
Monday 3 rd July-	Bowland Transition Day
Tuesday 4 th July -	Bowland Transition Day
Tuesday 4 rd July-	Year 3 trip to The Wild Boar Park
Tuesday 4 th July -	St Augustine's Intake Mass 6.00pm
Wednesday 5 th July -	Swimming Gala

Wednesday 5th July - Reception intake visit
 Wednesday 5th July - Year 5/6 Hockey at Accrington Academy
 Thursday 6th July - NSPCC day- Children to wear green
 Friday 7th July - Celebration assembly - Forest Schools

 Monday 10th July- Last week of clubs
 Wednesday 12th July- Reception intake visit
 Wednesday 12th July - Year 6 leavers play 6.00pm- more details will follow
 Thursday 13th July - Rec/Yr $\frac{1}{2}$ Teddy Bears picnic
 Thursday 13th July- Year 5 trip to Blackburn Mosque
 Thursday 13th July - St Augustine's pupil to visit year 6 for Crossroads talk 3.45pm -4.45pm
 Friday 14th July- PTA cheese & Wine evening. More details to follow
 Friday 14th July- Celebration Assembly - Y1 and Y2
 Sunday 16th July- Crossroads Mass in church at 9.00am- more details to follow

 Monday 17th July - Moving up morning
 Wednesday 19th July- Music Concert 9.15am
 Wednesday 19th July- Year 6 Leavers Lunch
 Thursday 20th July- Year 6 leavers mass in Church 9.15am- More details to follow
 Friday 21st July - Year 6 leavers assembly 9.10am

***SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2.15PM ***

Tuesday 5th September- School reopens to pupils

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Z Mabbott