



A small school with a big heart

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 6 MAY 2022

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Star of the Week Class 1

Logan: for resilience and never giving up
– hard work pays off!

Henry: for amazing spellings!

Star of the Week Class 2

Jasmine R: demonstrating an excellent
subject knowledge on plants.

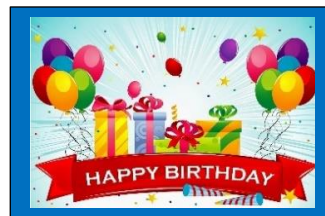
Oscar J: focusing hard to master his
throwing and catching technique.



Big Hearts are awarded to:

George: for his unwavering effort all
week and his excellent contributions to
class.

Megan K: for always working hard and
striving to achieve her best.



Happy Birthday
to Ellie who will
be 9 next week!

Notices

SATS papers: we wish all our Year 6 pupils the best of luck with their SATS papers next week. They've all worked very hard and we are very proud of them.

Next week, each morning before SATS (Monday to Thursday) Mr Warrilow will be gathering Year 6 pupils together for breakfast and a relaxing session to start the day before the SATS. Please drop your children off just before 8.30am for this.

Friends of Claughton: there will be a short meeting after school on Monday to discuss the props needed for the walking float. Please come along if you can.

Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service Collection: we recently had a volunteer from the shelter visit school to talk to the children and we would now like to show our support for the amazing work these volunteers carry out at the shelter. At present, the shelter is in particular need of the following items and any contributions would be very great appreciated: cooking oil, coffee,

biscuits, sugar, tomato sauce, brown sauce, long-life milk, and breakfast cereals. They are also short of these items of men's clothing: jeans (waist 32-34), joggers or tracksuit bottoms, boxer shorts, socks, t-shirts and waterproof coats.

We're on the hunt! Can you help us find the oldest person in the parish who attended St Mary's school? We'd like this person to plant an oak tree in our school grounds to commemorate the queen's jubilee. Please contact the school office if you have a suggestion.

Garstang High School: for those pupils moving on to Garstang High School in September, there is a parents' transition meeting on Thursday 12 May at 6.15pm. In addition, pupils will have chance to meet with key members of staff before their induction day. This meeting will take place on Friday 17 June. Pupils will need to be dropped at Garstang's main reception in full uniform at 9am and collected again at 10am. The date of the full transition day for pupils will be confirmed shortly.

Garstang Float Friday 3 June 2022 and Catterall Float Saturday 11 June 2022: our theme for 2022 is RAINFOREST! Using this theme, we will create a colourful, vibrant and joyful walking float! On Tuesday 17 May between 1.30 and 3pm there will be a props-making afternoon where families are invited to come in and work with your children.



All the latest information will be on the Cloughton-on-Brock Parish Council [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

Thursday 2 June at Cobble Hey Farm from 7.30pm: as part of the national event we will have a piper and a bugler from 9.30pm. Beacon lighting will be at 9:45pm, and fireworks at 10:00pm. Cobble Hey will be open from 7:30pm for locally sourced sausage, burger and veggie barmes and a licenced bar. Please note that the beacon itself will be on top of Peacock Hill which is a climb on a rough track from the car park area. If you have limited mobility you will be able to see the beacon and the fireworks from Cobble Hey farmyard. Please wear suitable footwear and bring a torch for the walk back – it will be going dark as we finish. Parking is free but is limited so please book your parking in advance (and car share where you can) [here](#). When you book parking, you will be asked to let us know your food requirements to help us plan. If you can't use the online form we will be sending copies out with the Parish Council Newsletter. The form will also be in St 'Thomas' Church porch and at St Mary's School reception, or you can contact the Parish Council Clerk for help on 01995 606634 or 07790005604.

We also need volunteers to help build the bonfire, please!

Sunday 5 June: join us for the Big Jubilee Lunch at Claughton Memorial Hall at 12 noon. Bring a picnic! Hear the children sing a song that has been specially composed for the celebrations. Enter your cake in the cake competition (U12/12-16/Adult). Teas and coffees by the WI. Food outlets to be confirmed and further festivities are still being planned. It will be a lovely event to bring your families and friends to.

Anti-bullying Training in School



Some of our children recently took part in a one-day anti-bullying training session run by The Diana Award at school. The children worked together and acquired vital skills to enable them to change attitudes and behaviours in their school by building their skills and confidence to address different situations, both online and off.

The Diana Award's free Anti-Bullying Ambassador Programme which is available to schools across the UK, sees trainers working with students and other young people to change the attitudes surrounding bullying. The programme has a strong peer-to-peer focus, with trainers giving young people the skills and confidence to become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors long after the training has finished. The Diana Award's anti-bullying work is recognised as world-class thanks to this sustainable approach.

The Week Ahead

Monday 9 to Thursday 12 May Year 6 SATS papers. Breakfast session each day 8.30am

Monday 9 May Friends of Claughton meeting in school 3.30pm

Wednesday 11 May Years 3-5 swimming

Thursday 12 May Class 1 Multi-skills after school club
Class 2 Design and Technology after school club

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 17 May 1.30-3pm Props-making afternoon in school

Friday 27 May School finishes for half term

Thursday 2 June Cobble Hey Farm: Jubilee Bonfire at 9.45pm and fireworks at 10.00pm

Sunday 5 June Picnic at Claughton Village Hall at 12 noon

Tuesday 7 June Children return to school

And Finally... we continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that, in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity to our sisters and brothers in need.

May we walk in your ways, so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend and we'll see you on Monday!