

# NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2022

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## A small school with a big heart



#### Star of the Week Class 1

Arthur: for being a superstar all week!

Dexter: for an incredible effort with adding two digits.

#### Star of the Week Class 2

Ella: for using super expression in dance.

Oscar C: for working hard to improve his times tables in TT Rockstars.



## Big Hearts are awarded to:

Bodhi: for his kindness, helpfulness and willingness to always have a go!

Grace: for persevering when facing new challenges.



Congratulations to Bodhi, who turned 5 this week!

## **Notices**

**Christmas Fair:** this will take place tonight at Claughton Village Hall between 6pm and 8pm. There will be lots of festive fun and the school choir will be giving a special performance so do bring friends and family along to this lovely event to begin the festive season. Please bring lots of change!

**Christmas Raffle:** our Christmas raffle has some amazing prizes, from chocolates and bottles, an artisan cheeseboard and Stable Yard Gin gift set, Forest School vouchers, and vouchers from PNE, Rascals playcentre, the Flower Bowl (you can try curling!) and Cumbria Safari Zoo (the former South Lakes Wild Animal Park – a great day out!). We are very grateful to anyone who has donated a prize. Tickets are £1 per strip and will be on sale at the fair.

Christmas Nativity: this year the children will be performing a new Nativity play called Hosanna Rock! There will be performances at 2pm and 6pm on Tuesday 13 December in church. It is vital

that children attend both performances, please. The band will also be performing on the night, showcasing their new musical skills.

**Christmas lunch and panto:** slips have gone home for both events. Please return as soon as possible.

**After-school club:** as you know, we have been actively seeking a new member of staff to join our team in order for us to provide after school club care for your children. We have not received any applicants. Therefore, at present, we are not able to provide this service for you. The position has been reposted on the Lancashire school vacancies website for a third time and can be read <a href="here">here</a>. We thank you for your patience in this matter and I am sure you will appreciate that we are doing all we can. If you know of anybody suitable, please do pass this on.

**Parent Governor vacancy:** we have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested or wish to find out more, please let us know. We will then organise an election for the position.

Packed lunch days: As you are aware, the dinners are transported from the kitchen of another school. There are three dates this year when their kitchens will not be open due to inset days taking place. On those days we would ask that you send your children to school with a packed lunch. The dates are: 3 January 2023, 4 January 2023 and 26 May 2023. We will issue reminders nearer the time.

#### The Week Ahead

Monday 28 November Class Two PE

Tuesday 29 November Mr Warren: music lessons and choir practice

Class One PE

Band practice 3.30 to 4.30pm

Wednesday 30 November Class Two PE (fencing)

Class One: multi skills enrichment club 3.30 to 4.30pm

Class Two: forest school club 3.30 to 4.30pm

Thursday 1 December Class One PE

Class Two: Musical Theatre club 3.30 to 4.30pm

Class One: teacher-led enrichment club 3.30 to 4.30pm

Friday 2 December Judo 8am

## **Date for Your Diary**

Monday 5 December Panto at The Dukes, Lancaster: return to school 4.15pm

Monday 12 December Christmas party at Barton Grange hotel.

Tuesday 13 December Whole school nativity at Claughton church 2pm and 6pm

Wednesday 14 December Christmas dinner in school. Christmas Jumper Day.

Friday 16 December School closes for Christmas at **1.30pm** 

## 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...