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Dear Parents,



Literacy Curriculum Evening





An unmissable opportunity for you to learn about our newest approaches to teaching phonics, reading and writing across school.

- Time to ask questions and speak to staff.
- Look at our new 'Read Write Inc' phonics, reading, and writing resources for Early Years, Infants <u>and</u> Juniors
- Learn how you can support early language and ongoing reading skills including the role of the school reading scheme.

Please spare an hour to join us!



<u>The Life Education Mobile Classroom</u> came to school last week. All classes had a session in the van learning about all aspects of healthy lifestyles.

<u>Thank you to Year 6</u> for leading our Remembrance Service on Tuesday 11th November and to all those Y6 parents who were able to attend. A special thank you to Jake Orme who played the last post during the service.

<u>Well done to the Netball Team</u> on reaching the finals of the Netball Tournament which will be played at the beginning of December. Team member included: Rebecca Cannings, Katy Lord, Chloe Ratcliffe, Cortlen Rowe, Autumn Souch, Ella Stevenson, Kelsea Tracey, Megan Tracey and Brooke Whittle. Thanks to Mrs. Tomlinson for coaching them.





<u>The Friends' Christmas Fundraiser this year is the Framed Artwork Show</u> - £5 for a framed original, extra framed reprints are £3 each. Come and see the show on the Curriculum Evening!

<u>Gymnastics Demonstration in School</u> – Over the past term, Reception – Y4 have had the benefit of a specialist gymnastics coach in school. On Wednesday 10th December the children will be performing a 15 minute sequence with their class for parents. Letters were sent out earlier this week.



Reception Fence – Several of the 'pencils' in the Reception play area fence have become unstable. This area has been temporarily roped off for security whilst we make safe the area. Please keep clear as directed. Thank you.

Postage Stamps – Please could you send your used postage stamps into school? Hopefully you will have many at this time of year! They are taken to East Lancashire Hospice where they are exchanged for cash to boost their much needed funds. The Hospice is very grateful for your help as they have already received in excess of £15,000 from something which would otherwise be thrown away. Many thanks to everyone already supporting this worthy cause.

Dates for Diaries:

Wed 3rd December Lancashire Fire and Rescue Carol Service at Blackburn Cathedral – 7.30 p.m.

Thurs 4th Literacy Curriculum Evening – 6.30 – 7.45 p.m.

Mon 8th Bag2School Collection – 9.00 a.m.

Wed 10th Gymnastics Demonstration to Rec – Year 4 Parents (details in letter sent home)

Thurs 11th Reception and Year 1 Nativity – 2.30 p.m.

Lunchtime Carols – children sing from 1.00 – 1.30 p.m.

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Tues 16th Community Cinema in School – The Book of Life

Junior Carol Service in Church – 7.00 p.m.

Wed 17th Pocket Money Stall in School – afternoon

Thurs 18th Christmas Lunch

Talent Show in School

Fri 19th Talent Show in School

Crib Service in School for children

Yours sincerely,

B. Haigh Headteacher