



## Langho and Billington St. Leonard's Church of England Primary School

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### **Weekly Newsletter Friday 8th March 2024**

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#### **Worship**

As today is International Women's Day, we began the week thinking about gratitude, what this means and how we can show others we appreciate them. This morning we enjoyed a wonderful worship in Church all about Mothering Sunday, led by our little Blackbirds children. A huge thanks to Blackbirds' parents and supporters who came along- Church was so busy we could hardly fit in!



#### **Football tournament**

Well done to our footballers who performed brilliantly on Monday night, winning two games, drawing twice and losing once. A major highlight was Harry's hat-trick! What a super star!

#### **Governor Engagement**

Thank you and well done to our Worship leaders in school who spoke with members of our governing body on Tuesday, explaining their role in school and what difference this makes. They did a lovely job, and our governors went away very impressed with them!

#### **World Book Day**

We had a wonderfully comfy day on Thursday, snuggling up with books in our Pyjamas! The children enjoyed lots of World Book Day activities and many entered the 'Book in a Box' competition - thank you for your huge efforts with the entries and well done to all the children who took part. The staff had a really hard job deciding the winners! Please see below for some lovely photos of the day.

#### **International Women's Day #letgirlsplay**

On Friday we took part in the UK's biggest girls' football event #letgirlsplay. All children played football on Friday and wore their sports kit and football shirts to celebrate the day. Photos of the games



Mrs Lindley



#### **Facebook**

Our new facebook page is live which will include regular updates - please follow and like!

[Langho and Billington St Leonards Facebook page](#)

## World Book Day!

Well done to our Book In A Box winners!! The entries were all amazing and so much effort and enjoyment has clearly gone into creating them. It was a delight to see them all in school.



This half term the children will be learning about the lives and cultures of the children at Kishunju Primary School in Uganda. They will be learning about their daily routine, school life, culture and more. Before they do this they have spent the last few days learning about Uganda the country itself. The children will be developing a rapport with one another whilst the school council decides upon a way to raise funds for Kishunju Primary school. The school is linked with the charity The Zuri Project Uganda. If you would like to learn more about the charity please follow the link below.

[Home | The Zuri Project](#)

## Eco Club - Reducing Waste at Lunchtime

Our Eco Club is leading the way in trying to reduce the amount of waste that we produce as a school.

Please continue to talk to your child about making sure they take home any uneaten food from packed lunches. This means that any recycling can be done at home and parents are fully aware of how much children are eating.



Thank you for your support and well done Eco Club for continually being great ambassadors!

## School Books

This week children have been utilising our school library more to choose reading books to bring home and enjoy. Please ensure that all books from school whether 'library' or 'reading books' are treated with care and returned in the condition you would wish to receive them. **Water bottles should never be kept in the same bag as books.** If an accident happens, please let the office or your child's teacher know. Thank you.

### Named Items

Please ensure that **ALL** items belonging to your child are clearly named (including coats, lunch bags, hats, scarves and gloves) to ensure that any mislaid items can be promptly returned. Thank you.

### Absence and Lateness



This is a further reminder that the School day begins at 8:55am. The gates are open from 8:45am and shut at 8:55am. Please do your best to get children to school for 8.45am, when the gates open. Once the gate at the top of the path is shut, please don't bring children in through the car park. **To safeguard all of our children effectively, ALL CHILDREN arriving after the gates are shut MUST BE SIGNED IN BY THEIR ADULT at the front office.**

### Nut Free School



Please remember to be careful when packing children's lunches and snacks sent into school. Products containing any type of nuts are not allowed due to children with nut allergies in school. Kinder Bueno and Nutella snacks contain hazelnuts - please leave these at home.

Many thanks for your cooperation

### Cold Weather

Please remember to send children in with waterproof winter coats everyday, and hats and gloves as the weather turns cold. If your child needs to use lip balm due to dry skin in the cold weather, this is permitted before school and at break times, not during lessons. Please remind your child that lip balm is not to be shared. Labelling of lip balms in case they get lost will help with a swift return. Please see our website for our **severe weather procedures** should we get any snow coming our way in the near future! <https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/home>

## Vision Screening in Lancashire - Reception children

**Tuesday 19th March 2024**

Vision screening is an integral part of the universal delivery of the national Healthy Child Programme.

Every child in Reception receives an invitation to have their vision tested in school.

A detailed letter has already been sent home with your child (Wednesday 7th Feb 24).

**NOTE:** This is an OPT-OUT system. All children will have vision screening in school on the date below unless a reply slip is returned to school stating that you **DO NOT** wish your child to have the vision screening.

Vision screening will be taking place for the reception class children on:

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

## This Week's Attendance

	<b>Class</b>	<b>% Attendance this week</b>
	Doves	100
	Falcons	99.2
	Wrens	98.3

## Congratulations to our Star Learners!



<b><u>Little Lennies</u></b> <i><u>Darby &amp; Cassian</u></i>	<b><u>Blackbirds</u></b> <i><u>Maisie</u></i>	<b><u>Doves</u></b> <i><u>Reese &amp; Eddison</u></i>
<b><u>Eagles</u></b> <i><u>Hannah &amp; Harper</u></i>	<b><u>Falcons</u></b> <i><u>Chloe &amp; Oliver B</u></i>	<b><u>Hérons</u></b> <i><u>Hattie H &amp; Isla</u></i>
<b><u>Kingfishers</u></b> <i><u>Molly &amp; Asher</u></i>	<b><u>Owls</u></b> <i><u>Isaac &amp; Oliver</u></i>	<b><u>Robins</u></b> <i><u>Ehsaan &amp; Gracie</u></i>
<b><u>Swifts</u></b> <i><u>Freddie &amp; Chelsea</u></i>	<b><u>Wagtails</u></b> <i><u>Hugo &amp; Erin</u></i>	<b><u>Wrens</u></b> <i><u>Archer &amp; Ali</u></i>

## Weekly Highlights

### Nursery & Reception Little Lennies' & Blackbirds



This week, Little Lennies have been exploring the planet we live on - Earth. They have been using GoogleEarth to see what it looks like from outer space. They have been on an adventure with Aliens in underpants as they started to think about what might be beyond the planet we live on - what might be in space and how you might get there!

Blackbirds have been on an adventure with QPootle5 - his spaceship landed on Earth and needed fixing! Blackbirds have been exploring planets - What are they? Is Earth the only planet? They have been exploring how far away from Earth each planet is, how each planet orbits the sun and looking closely at the moon and what it is made of. Blackbirds have asked curious questions and have their own individual ideas about what scientists may find in outer space in the future! Blackbirds also led our Church worship on Friday morning for Mothering Sunday and what a fabulous job they all did - we are so proud of each and every one.

### Year 1 & 2 Doves, Eagles & Falcons



We have had another very busy week in Key Stage 1! World Book Day was great fun. We enjoyed exploring the book 'Our Tower' and wrote some lovely descriptions of our own homes. We also enjoyed creating our own version of the tree-grown man using different materials. In geography, we continued to explore hot and cold countries and started to locate them on a world map and think about how the weather changes around the world. In RE, we listened to the second part of the Easter story and used a game of pass the parcel to help us sequence events from the story. Our science learning involved using our observation skills to describe bulbs and seeds and we thought carefully about what plants need to survive. Our week ended with us enjoying a game of football and listening to some amazing stories to help us celebrate International Women's Day. Well done everyone!

### Year 3 & 4 Herons, Kingfishers & Owls



It's been a fabulous week with the children thoroughly enjoying World Book Day lessons and activities. They

created a piece of writing and wonderful artworks based around the fantastical adventure, Our Tower by Joseh Coelho and Richard Johnson. We were also impressed by the children's efforts to create a Book in a Box for our Book Day Competition. We also celebrated International Women's Day by taking part in the biggest football event #letgirlsplay with all children involved in playing football in their year groups. In RE we considered the times of trust and betrayal within the Easter Story and we discussed why the day that Jesus was crucified is known as Good Friday and its meaning for Christians. In Science, we asked the question, 'How do leaves make food for plants' and discussed the meaning of photosynthesis. We made connections between the interdependence of animals and plants in terms of the intake and excretion of oxygen and carbon dioxide. Great work LKS2!

### Year 5 & 6 Robins, Swifts, Wagtails & Wrens



### Year 5

This week has been a busy one in Year 5! In RE, we studied Matthew's gospel and considered our personal questions about the death and resurrection of Jesus. In Spanish, we were challenged to order the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears without any English translations! World Book Day on Thursday was a day enjoyed by all - what's not to love about coming to school in your pyjamas and getting stuck into a good book?! We also spent time rehearsing for our brass concert next week, which is sounding brilliant. We look forward to welcoming you next week to watch the children's performance.

### Year 6

This week year 6 have really enjoyed World Book Day - the children created some super writing and artwork based on the book 'Our Tower' and looked very comfy in their pyjamas whilst doing it ! In science, the children have finished their work on the circulatory system and created a presentation based on all of their learning across the unit. In geography, we learned about the different types of tectonic plates and the effect that they have on the Earth's surface as they move. In writing, the children have been writing their non chronological report on the Galapagos islands. IN RE the children learned more about Jesus and how he was seen by other people. What a busy and productive week !

## Diary Dates

March	
Monday 11th March	3.30pm Yr 5 & 6 boys Football tournament (Letters have been sent out)
11th - 15th March	British Science Week (more information to follow)
Tuesday 12th March	From 8.30am - School photos (more information to follow) 12.30pm St Leonard's Church Parishioners Lent Lunch in school
Thursday 14th March	1.30pm Chess Tournament at Barrow School (Letters to follow) 2:30pm <b>Year 5</b> Brass Concert - parents/carers and supporters are welcome!
Friday 15th March	11am - Y3/4 Glow dodgeball competition at Oakhill (letters to follow)
Tuesday 19th March	All day - Neurodiversity Workshops in school 12.30pm St Leonard's Church Parishioners Lent Lunch in school
Friday 22nd March	9:00am <b>Robins</b> leading Worship in church. All welcome.
Monday 25th March	Easter Bake Off Competition! (Details to follow) 1pm-3pm Y5/6 Swimming Gala (Letters to follow)
Tuesday 26th March	Kishunju Primary School Fundraising Day - The Zuri Project (more information to follow) 12.30pm St Leonard's Church Parishioners Lent Lunch in school
Wednesday 27th March	Y1 and Y2 Visit to Skipton Castle. (Letter has been sent out).
Thursday 28th March	<b>1.30pm School closes for Easter</b>

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### Sunday Services

10:30 Family Service

Tuesdays 12:00pm Midday Prayers

Current services are being shared among clergy from other local churches in the area.