



Calder Vale St John's Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

January 27, 2017

This half term we will be thinking about the value of friendship

Share your smile with the world. It's a symbol of friendship and peace. Christie Brinkley

Lead Learners:

Stanley Pickard for excellent work during learning time.

Rio Llorens for independent writing in the role-play area.

Emily Gerard for her enthusiasm in attending extra-curricular activities - Woodland Club and JAM club this week.

Headteacher's Award

Sophie Stanley Smith for outstanding play at the basketball tournament this week

Sports' News

Congratulations to the basketball team who came first in their group this week at Garstang Community Academy. Well done everyone.

All pupils are currently working with a qualified hockey coach as part of their PE lessons in school.

Coming up soon Y3 and 4 children will have a handball coaching session at Garstang Community Academy.

These are all possible due to the Sports' Premium Funding which we receive.

Treetops Tuesdays

All children aged 0-4 are welcome to come along from 1.00pm to our Treetops Tuesdays with some outside exploration in the woods combined with activities inside during the colder weather.

Recycle and reuse

Thank you to anyone who has already sent in **any unwanted Christmas gifts** - we will happily recycle them into tombola and raffle prizes! Please bring any contributions into the school office.

Please send into school any used **batteries** for our recycling collection.

Sainsbury's voucher collection starts again in the next few weeks. Over the last few years this scheme has enabled us to add to our PE, playtime and gardening equipment. Please ask family, friends and neighbours to collect the vouchers and bring them into school. Thank you.

School Council News

School Council are organising a cake sale to raise funds in memory of Stephen Mortimer. A suitable charity is yet to be decided but is under discussion. The School Council would appreciate any donations of individual cakes to sell after school on Friday 3rd February.

Children (and adults) will be able to purchase cakes - please send any spending money in a named envelope. No more than £1 please for each child. Parents wishing to purchase cakes after school will be very welcome. Thank you.

World Book day - School Council would like to invite all pupils to come dressed as their favourite book character on 3rd March.



Changes to our outdoor area are proving very popular!

Church Events

TODAY- Jam Club (Jesus and Me) will be held at Calder Vale School on Friday 27th 3.30-4.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this club with games, crafts, activities and songs.

We are hoping to introduce a new school worship assembly called 'Open the Book' using drama to bring Bible stories to life. This is a very popular worship at Scorton and we would like to develop the same theme at Calder Vale. In order for 'Open the Book' to be successful it needs a small group of volunteers who are willing to lead the assembly. The group from Scorton are able to offer support to get things going. Please contact Mrs Hesketh or Deacon Jane if you are able to help.

Minibus - we are still hoping that more volunteers for driving our school minibus can be found. Driving on a regular or occasional basis would be helpful. Driver training takes approximately 2 hours and we are hoping to book this very soon.



DIARY DATES:

Occasionally it is necessary to change the dates of some events. We do our best to provide as much notice as possible but ask for your understanding when events have to be changed. Thank you..

Advance notice - Mothering Sunday 26th March. All our children will be taking a leading part in the service at St John's

31st January Resources and Finance Governing Body Meeting

9th February Young Voices Concert in Manchester

13th - 17th February Half term

20th February School Reopens

22nd February - Indoor football

27th February visit from the school nurse 'Bag of Worries' talk to Y1 and 2

3rd March World Book day

15th March Full Governing Body Meeting

22nd March swimming gala (no swimming 21st march)

26th March Mothering Sunday

27th March Y5 and 6 Handball coaching

31st March School Closes for Easter at 1pm

Pupil Progress evening will be held on Tuesday 28th March from 3.45-7pm

