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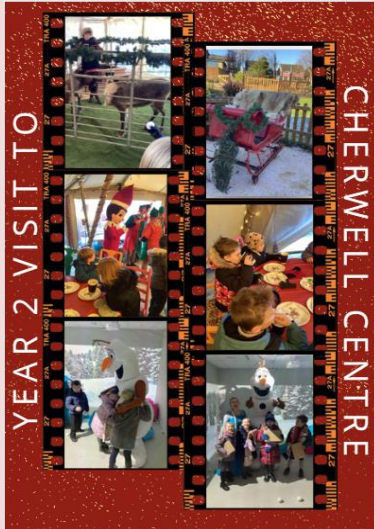
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School will close on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 1.15pm for Christmas and re-open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.  
Please Note there will be no Afterschool Club on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

**Have a wonderful Christmas everyone. See you all in the New Year.**



Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 walked to St Luke's Church for their Christingle service. It was lovely to see so many families coming to support their children.



Thank you so much for all your support at our Christmas Fair this year. We raised an incredible £3945 which is the most we've ever raised at a school fair. It was lovely to see everyone.

We are donating £100 to St Luke's Church.



### Reception Nativity & KS1 Nativity

All children in Reception, Year 1 & 2 worked hard in learning their lines, actions and all the songs for their nativity over the last few weeks. They were all amazing.

It was lovely to see so many parents/carers coming to support their children.



Well done to all our Raffle winners We hope you enjoy your fantastic prizes.

Thank you to all who bought raffle tickets.



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In Collective Worship this half term we focused on  
our Christian Value **"Friendship"**

Next half term we will focus on our Christian Value "Trust"



## Friendship Valuing Differences

Galatians 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Jesus Christ.





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Trust  
Love

Our  
Link  
With  
**SPRING  
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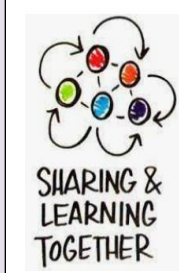
Patience  
Respect  
Forgiveness



Our School Council children took some games and colouring to get to know the residents on their first visit to the Care Home. Children and residents enjoyed spending time together. The school Ethos team joined Holy Family Ethos Council and made a special visit to the Care Home to make Christingles with the residents. They wrote prayers for the residents too. They lit the candles and said a prayer together.



Year 6 discussed their latest Geography topic "Fieldwork". Children & parents created a banner that could be put outside of school to highlight the issues of parking and traffic.



Year 2 discussed their latest Science lesson about organs in our body. Children & parents completed a quiz about organs & skeletons, then placed them on an outline of the body.



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**THANK YOU**

ST LUKES CE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEYWOOD  
for raising a fantastic  
**£354**

The money you have raised will be used to help change the lives of children and young people facing disadvantage in communities across the UK.

**BBC CHILDREN IN NEED**

BBC Children in Need has not verified the above fundraising. This is not a receipt.  
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## Year 4 Swimming

**HAWTHORN**  
Last day of swimming will be on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

**MAPLE**  
Swimming will start on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024.**  
Last day of swimming will be on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024.**

### Free School Meal Forms

If you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Use the link below to apply:  
<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/xfp/form/306>

All children in Reception, Year 1 & 2 receive Universal Free School Meals but if you receive any of the above, you need to apply. **If successful you could receive vouchers during the February half term holidays.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU DO NOT NEED TO APPLY IF YOU ALREADY RECEIVE BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS.**

### Message from our local Police Community Support Officer...

We have received several complaints regarding the speed of which vehicles are being driven in and around schools of Heywood, the manner of parking around school dropping off/picking up times and blocking resident's driveways.

Could I please ask if you are one of these drivers, to please observe the parking and speed restrictions – you would be devastated if you ran over and killed a child.

Traffic wardens are working closely with us and issuing tickets where required.

I'm sure you wouldn't want to be the driver who receives a parking ticket, fine, points on your licence or the inconvenience of having your pride and joy towed away.

Please be more considerate to the children and residents.  
**Remember this is directly impacting YOUR child's life.**

Regards

The Heywood Neighbourhood Team  
PCSO 72950 Theresa Johnston  
Police Community Support Officer – Heywood Neighbourhood

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**MESSAGES**

### Reminder for New Reception Applications:

Closing date for new application for children starting Reception in September 2024 is **Monday 15 January 2024.** Please visit [Timetable for applying | Apply for a reception place at a primary school | Rochdale Borough Council](#) and follow the links.

National offer day is **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024.**

### School Grid (Dolce) – School Meals

Please check your Food & School Account on School Grid. All arrears **must be cleared** before the end of this half term.

**NB: Dinner Money must be paid in advance on your School Grid Account.**

School dinners are £2.46 per day, £12.30 per week.

**If your account is in arrears of £5 or more, your account will be frozen & Dolce will not authorise your child's meal. Please check your child's account weekly.** If possible, please order your child's meal at home.

If you have any problems, please ring Dolce customer service on **01942 707709** then choose option 1.

### **P** Parking

We have received several complaints from our local residents regarding parking. Please be mindful when parking and do not block our local residents driveways or entrances. Thank you.



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## Reception Bluebells

We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Mr & Mrs Marsh's baby boy, Avery Frederick Marsh, weighing 6lb 13oz.

After Christmas Miss Horrocks will be teaching in Bluebells. Miss Horrocks has previously taught in Reception & Yr 1 at St Lukes.



## Year 4 Hawthorn

Mrs Downing will be starting her maternity leave at the end of the term.

We would like to wish Mr & Mrs Downing all the best and a safe arrival of their baby.

After Christmas Miss Jones will be teaching in Hawthorn. Miss Jones is an experienced teacher who has worked in other Rochdale schools.

*Congratulations*  
Mr Hignett

Mr Hignett has been promoted to Assistant Head Teacher and will begin his role in January. He will still be class based in Year 6.



### *Britain in Bloom North West*

St Luke's CE Primary received the Britain in Bloom North West award for the "School Category" and "Involving Children and Young People" category. We are so amazed and extremely thankful for all the children's hard work!

## SEND Coffee/Tea



Catch up Morning

Wednesday  
24th January  
9am-10am



## MEET OUR SEND TEAM

SEND TEAM



MRS CROPPER



MRS GREENWOOD



MRS EDYVEAN

## SEND Coffee/Tea, Cake & Catch-Up

An informal session on  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January  
9am - 10am

for parents of children with SEND to catch up with other parents, chat with our SEND team and discuss SEND support available.



## Attendance for this Half Term

w/c 30/11/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Oak 99.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Willow 98%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Ash 92.3%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Juniper  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Cedar 95.8%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Maple 93.7%

w/c 06/11/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Bluebells 98.6%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Oak 98%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Ash 96.7%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Rowan 99.7%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Cedar 99.4%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Sycamore 98.3%

w/c 13/11/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Ash 98.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Willow 96.7%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Elm 94.8%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Juniper 99.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Sycamore 99%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Maple 98.7%

w/c 20/11/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Bluebells 95.7%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Ash 94.7%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Snowdrop 93.9%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Hawthorn & Rowan 97.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Sycamore 97.2%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Juniper 95.2%

w/c 27/11/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Bluebells 99.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Ash & Elm 96%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Snowdrop 94.5%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Juniper 98.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Cedar 98.1%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Sycamore 96.6%

w/c 04/09/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Bluebells 100%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Snowdrop 98.1%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Elm 97.7%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Maple 98%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Hawthorn 97%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Cedar 96.5%

w/c 04/09/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Bluebells 97.1%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Snowdrop 94.5%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Willow 92.7%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Rowan 96.3%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Juniper 96.2%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Maple 94%

w/c 04/09/23

KS1

1<sup>st</sup> = Bluebells 97.6%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Willow 97.2%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Oak 94.4%

KS2

1<sup>st</sup> = Birch 94.4%  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Sycamore 94.3%  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Rowan 92.2%

## Lates

There are a high number of children arriving late.

Children should arrive between **8.40am – 8.50am**

Arriving to school late means that children are not always best prepared for their day, they can miss important parts of the lesson, they often disrupt the rest of the class as time has to be taken away from other children to explain what they have missed.

If there is a specific medical or other problem that we need to know, please ring the school office.

We trust that you will make sure that your child is not late for school wherever possible.

## PE & FOREST SCHOOL FOR NEXT HALF TERM

**Forest School:** Please bring a change of footwear for Forest School otherwise they will not be able to take part. Please come in full school uniform on Non-Forest School days. **PE:** Children will need to come into school in full PE kit. No football kits, no branded tracksuits & no coloured t-shirts.

### Snowdrops

Wednesday – 10<sup>th</sup> January, 24<sup>th</sup> January,  
7<sup>th</sup> February – Forest School  
Friday – PE

### Bluebell

Wednesday – 17<sup>th</sup> January, 31<sup>st</sup> January,  
14<sup>th</sup> February – Forest School  
Friday – PE

### Yr 1 Oak

PE – Thursday  
Friday – 12<sup>th</sup> January, 26<sup>th</sup> January, 9<sup>th</sup>  
February – Forest School

### Yr 1 Willow

PE – Thursday  
Friday – 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup> February,  
16<sup>th</sup> February – Forest School

### Yr 2 Ash

Monday – 8<sup>th</sup> January, 22<sup>nd</sup> January,  
5<sup>th</sup> February – Forest School  
PE – Thursday

### Yr 2 Elm

Monday – 15<sup>th</sup> January, 29<sup>th</sup> January, 12<sup>th</sup>  
February – Forest School  
PE – Thursday

### Yr 3 Birch & Cedar

PE – Tuesday  
PE – Wednesday

### Yr 4 Hawthorn

Monday - Swimming - Last day 29<sup>th</sup>  
January, PE from 5<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday – PE

### Yr 4 Maple

Monday – PE – Last day 29<sup>th</sup> January,  
Swimming from 5<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday – PE

### Yr 5 Juniper

PE – Monday  
PE – Wednesday

### Yr 6 Sycamore & Rowan

PE – Tuesday  
PE – Friday



## UP COMING PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT DATES 2023/2024

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Yr 4 Maple Shared Learning & Lunch 10.30am – 11.45am

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Yr 4 Hawthorn Shared Learning & Lunch 10.30am – 11.45am

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Yr 3 Cedar Shared Learning & Lunch 10.30am – 11.45am

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Yr 3 Birch Shared Learning & Lunch 10.30am – 11.45am

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Yr 4 Hawthorn – Last day of swimming

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Yr 4 Maple – Swimming Lessons starts

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Yr 5 Juniper Shared Learning & Lunch 10.30am – 11.45am

**School finishes on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 3.20pm for Spring Half Term.  
School re-opens on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 8.50am. Gates open at 8.40am.**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Reception Snowdrops Phonics Workshop and Stay & Play 1.45pm – 3.10pm

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Reception Bluebells Phonics Workshop and Stay & Play 1.45pm – 3.10pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm (in school appointments) more details to follow

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024 – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm (online appointments) more details to follow

**Please note the following date changes from the original Parental Engagement letter sent in September:**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6 SATs Meeting at 3.20pm**

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Year 4 Multiplication Meeting at 3.20pm**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Year 2 SATs Meeting at 3.20pm**

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Year 1 Phonics Meeting at 3.20pm**