

## Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October

### DIARY DATES FOR THIS HALF TERM

**Week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> October**

Open Week for prospective families

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

Y4 Greek day

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

Break up for half term

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

School re-opens

### HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

If your child is leaving us at the end of this academic year, High School need to be received by 31st October 2021.

Online school admissions can be accessed at

[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

### BLACK HISTORY

This month, our Monday assemblies have focussed on Black History Month. Not only have the children learnt about significant individuals in history, but we are currently moving on to look at how Black History has influenced the wider world. However, we don't want to confine this learning to just one month.

As we develop our school curriculum, we will be looking to weave not only elements of Black History though it, but other elements of history which have provided learning and changes, to help us move towards a more equal world. History provides a great way to use hindsight as a way to improve the future.

### EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

It has been a delight to begin offering extra-curricular activities once again after the period of restrictions.

We have been monitoring Covid infection rates within the community, and within school, to guide us on extending this further. We now feel we are in a position to safely provide an increased number of clubs. We are really glad that we can finally provide a wider experience of activities for your children.

Please look out for a ParentMail message regarding the extra-curricular activities on offer. We will send this out as we return from the half term holiday.

### STAFFING

After half term, Mr Groom will be increasing the number of days that he is teaching in Year 2.

Mr Groom will be responsible for teaching the class for four full days, with Miss Sanders covering his planning and leadership time. Mrs Sanders will therefore teach for a full day on a Thursday.

This will allow Miss Sanders extra time to work with our children who have additional needs. This is vital to allow all our children in school to have their needs met in the best way that we can.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY

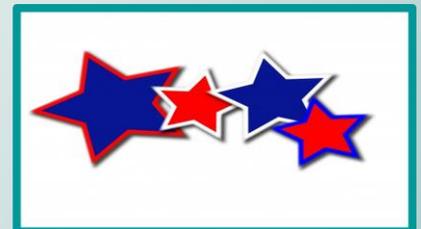
On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November, we will be taking part in some activities to mark Remembrance Day.

On this day, we will pay our respects to remember the service and sacrifices of the Armed Forces community from Britain and the Commonwealth.

We would like to create a Poppy Wall as part of this work.

To do this, please can each child bring in a clean, empty plastic bottle with a contoured base (e.g. a coke bottle) to be magically transformed in to a poppy! (Please remind children to rinse out the bottle first!)

### STAR AWARDS!



Huge congratulations to...

- Reception:** Iona and Jack  
**Year 1:** Esa and Max  
**Year 2:** Harry and Harper  
**Year 3:** William and Joshua  
**Year 4:** Lucy and Charlie R  
**Year 5:** Eli and Jessica  
**Year 6:** Isabella and Riley