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## NEWSLETTER

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IN THE LINE FOR 10 TO 9.

**School Attendance this week is 93.4% .**

**Well done to Year 4 who had the best attendance with 96.9% .**



### HEADLINE NEWS

This week was British Science Week, celebrating science, technology, engineering and maths and in school we started the week with a special Science assembly to inspire the children. The theme this year is 'Connections'. All week the classes have been doing practical and theoretical topic work on science, such as electricity, life cycles, sound and much more. They have learnt what skills are needed to become a Scientist.

In the annexe the children have been looking at 'new life' and were very excited to welcome the arrival of the 'living eggs' which have already hatched into little chicks in the classroom. They will continue to watch the chicks grow over the next week.

Please can all children who would like to enter the poster competition, have their entries in by Monday.



Later this month, on Tuesday 28th March, we are hosting a 'St Thomas' Science Share Coffee Morning' from 9.30am - 10.30am. Parents and guardians are invited into school to have a look at the children's topic work, as each class will be setting up their own stall to display what they have learnt during British Science Week. Come and enjoy a cuppa and see everything that your children have been learning about.

Tuesday 21st March : Year 2 class assembly for parents at 2.30pm. 'The Value of Service'. Come and meet the 'Smartest Giant in Town'.

### Year 1 Space Project

The Year 1 children have been challenged to create a space themed model as part of their Space topic in class. The projects need to be in school by Friday 24th March. Get creative! Miss Bamber and Miss Cooper can't wait to see your imaginative creations.

### SCHOOL MEALS: WEEK 3 NEXT

**£12.50 PER WEEK. TWO WEEKS NOTICE TO CHANGE TO OR FROM PACKED LUNCHES.**

Means Tested Free School Meals link: [Free school meals](#) | [Free school meals](#) | [Oldham Council](#)

### FREE SCHOOL MEAL HOLIDAY VOUCHERS

Please note that the Government have decided to issue holiday vouchers again over Easter and only people on MEANS TESTED FREE SCHOOL MEALS will qualify. If you are on a low household income, check if you are entitled to FSM even if your child is in the infants. Look out in your email inbox for your vouchers.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS THIS HALF-TERM

Monday: Y4-6 Fine Art Club. By invitation only. Continues until Easter.

Tuesday: Y2 Reading Club—3.20—4.15pm (all year).  
Y3-6 Choir—lunchtimes. Full (all year. No permission reqd).

Thursday: Y3-6 Computer Coding Club: Continues until Easter.  
Reception, Y1&2 Lego Club: 3.20—4.15pm. **Now full.**

TO JOIN A NEW CLUB YOU MUST COMPLETE AND RETURN A PERMISSION SLIP.  
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ARE FROM 3.20—4.15PM.

## World Kidney Week March 6th—10th

We had a brilliant week fundraising for Polycystic Kidney Disease. We raised over £300—wow! Thank you for your support. Mrs Whitworth, in particular, was touched by personal messages, pictures and home-made t-shirts from some very thoughtful children and parents.

The children learned all about the importance of our kidneys and how to keep them in good health with exercise, water and eating well. We did some fun exercises and wore PKD colours, enjoyed guessing the name of the kidney and the number of jelly beans in a jar. All the children were treated to a kidney cookie and milkshake.

**A little fascinating fact for us all is that as Mrs Whitworth was a 'live' donor of one of her kidneys 10 years ago, we have also received information that Lucy in Year 2's great grandma was the first person in England to have her kidney removed by keyhole surgery by a doctor flown in from America!**



## Easter Eco Extravaganza

### **Are you up for an Easter Eco Challenge?**

We are inviting the children to create an Easter product, made from recycled materials at home. The product could be anything Easter related, such as an Easter bonnet, flower egg cartons, etc. Use your imagination but remember to re-use existing household items. The best recycled creations will have the chance to win an Eco Fair Trade prize.

The creations need to be handed in by **Monday 3rd April** and will be displayed and judged in the last week of term. **We are 'eggcited' to see your ECO EASTER CREATIONS!**

## Wednesday 22nd March: Reception & Year 6 Heights & Weights

The school nurses will be measuring the heights and weight of our Reception and Year 6 children. This is for Government data and results and anonymised. If you do NOT wish your child to take part, please let school know.

## Events This Half-Term

- 28th March Tuesday: Science Share Coffee Morning.
- 5th April Wednesday: Break up for Easter holidays.

**SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLIES ARE EVERY FRIDAY AT  
2.30PM. ALL WELCOME!**