

SCHOOL MATTERS



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WEEK ENDING FRIDAY
10TH OCTOBER 2023

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Fortnightly Newsletter of Poulton St Chad's CE Primary School

LOVE LEARNING. LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Headteacher's Message

One way System

Thank you for respecting our one way system for EYFS, Y1, Y2, Y5 and Y6 where we go into school via the garden and out through the gate. This has really been helping ease congestion to make drop off and pick up more pleasant and safer for everyone.

Nut free reminder!

Please remember when sending in packed lunches that we are a nut free school.

Counterfeit Bank Notes

We would like to make you aware that there are counterfeit bank notes in circulation in Poulton. We have mistakenly accepted one as payment during the Book Fair, which has now been seized by the bank. Please be aware of this with any cash purchases.

Attendance

Since September, we have been receiving an unacceptably high number of leave of absence requests. We realise that school attendance for children has been disrupted over recent years with covid and strikes, holidays costs are increasing and parental attitudes are changing. However, we expect children to be in school every day unless they are too ill to come into school. The national average is 94%, attendance in Lancashire is 94.4% and our school attendance currently is 94. We have adjusted our school target from 98% to 96% to make it more realistic).

Unless there are exceptional circumstances, leave will not be authorised. The majority of St Chad's applications are declined on this basis. If families continue to take holidays that have not been authorised, this could lead to a Fixed Penalty Notice.

On occasion, we may need to ask for further evidence for why a child was absent. This may be a copy of a prescription or medical appointment card/letter. If your child is off for 6 days or more, we will always ask for further evidence- this is part of our policy. If you have any questions, please contact our Attendance Officer Ms Cameron on l.cameron@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch

Thank you for working with us and for the vast majority of parents who support help us to promote good attendance in school.

Please could I remind parents that even if they are frustrated about receiving a FPN or about being asked about their child's attendance, there is never any need to be rude to staff, who are simply carrying out their role in school. It is guaranteed that you will not receive a FPN if you do not take your child out of school during term time!

Mrs Bitsakaki



Designated Safeguarding Lead

MRS BITSAKAKI

Deputy Safeguarding Lead

MRS WOODWARD
& MISS SOBRINO

Governor Safeguarding Lead

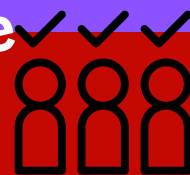
REV KEIGHLEY

Christian Value for Autumn 2



SERVICE

Attendance
Update



Our current attendance
figure is **94%**

Our school target is **96%**

EYFS	Year 4
91%	93%
YEAR 1	Year 5
94%	97%
YEAR 2	Year 6
94%	95%
YEAR 3	
95%	

STARS & LEARNERS OF THE WEEK!

Week 1

3/10/23

Stars of the Week

R:
Y1: Perla
Y2: Flynn
Y3: Minty
Y4: Seth
Y5: Lio
Y6: Florence
Creative Corner: Joshua

Tidiest Class Award

KS1 Y2
KS2 Y6

House Point Winners
Red Pandas

Teacher of the Week
Miss Siddall

Learners of the Week

R:
Y1: Bella
Y2: Jude
Y3: Theodore
Y4: Raffie
Y5: Lydia
Y6: Benjamin
Creative Corner: Joshua R

Support Staff of the Week

Miss Latimer



Week 1

20/10/23

Stars of the Week

R: Ellie
Y1: Eva D
Y2: Archie
Y3: Zachary
Y4: Reeve
Y5: Phoebe
Y6: Harry B
Creative Corner: Archie A

Tidiest Class Award

KS1 Emeralds
KS2 Year 6

Teacher of the Week
Mrs Archer

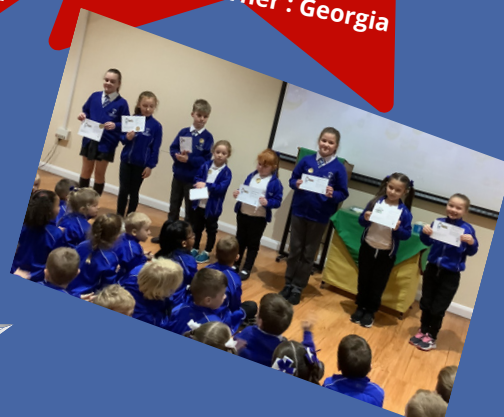
House Point Winners
Yellow Lions

Stars of the Week

R: Skyla
Y1: Florence
Y2: Lola
Y3: Eleanor
Y4: George
Y5: Nina
Y6: Miriam
Creative Corner: Georgia

Support Staff of the Week

Mrs Swales



JUNIOR SNACKBAR

Reminder that our Junior Snackbar is open . Fruit is available at playtime each day for KS2 children, ranging from 20p-40p and there will be toast on Friday!



REMEMBRANCE

Thank you Year 6 who started this week with a wonderful class worship on Remembrance. Thank you to Mrs Woodward who has organised our Remembrance activities; to our fantastic Ethos Group who were at the Ministry of Defence this week, representing school brilliantly; to all our staff and volunteers who support this and to the House Captains who will be at the cenotaph on Sunday representing St Chad's.

If you are struggling with, or worried about, your child's sleep, health or behaviour, please contact the school nursing team for advice.



Young People
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Parents scan
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Dates for the diary!



November



14th Y5/6 Boys Football

16th Y3/4 Multisports

17th Disco

20th Orienteering Week

21st Y5/6 Girls Football & Y5/6 Boys Football

23rd Y3/4 Multisports

27th Yoga Day

28th Nasal Flu Vaccinations

28th Y5/6 Boys Football

30th Y3/4 Multisports



December

5th KS1 Nativity

5th Boys Football

7th KS1 Nativity

Y3/4 Multiskills

KS2 Carol Service

12th Y5/6 Boys Football

19th Year 5/6 Football



This year's BOOK FAIR raised over £700!

The money will be spent on modern atlases for KS1 and more dictionaries for KS2.



SPORTS NEWS

NETBALL

**Netball Mixed Boys/Girls
Y5&6 - Won their first game
against Chaucer Primary
17-1!!**



FOOTBALL

**Football Boys Tournament Y5&6
came 2nd in their group stages,
lost in the 1/4 final to Rossall
who won the whole
Tournament.**



Year 5 trip to Turton Tower

Year 5 went to Turton Tower this week to learn all about Tudor life. Turton Tower was built in the 1400's and is a Grade 1 listed building. They had great fun trying on costumes and armour!



LEST WE FORGET



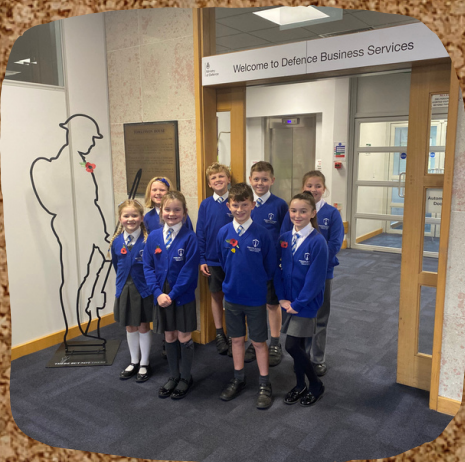
We have had some special visitors in school this week to talk and show the children what it is like being a soldier.



Some of our KS2 children visited the MOD in Bispham. They took part in their memorial service



They recorded poems for their intranet system and had a quiz.





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School

Autumn DISCO

Entertainment by
DAVEY DEE

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER

Infants: 6-7pm

Juniors: 7:15 - 8:15pm

LIMITED TICKETS £5 PER TICKET
TICKET SALES END 15th NOVEMBER
OR AS SOON AS THEY SELL OUT

Buy them online

www.pta-events.com/friendsofstchads
or from the school office.



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