



Singleton C of E Primary School Newsletter September 2018



Christian Value – Friendship and caring

Luke 6:31 "And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them."



Note from Mrs Clayton

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a lovely summer and that you managed to get some rest. This is a very exciting term for Singleton School; as usual, the staff have planned an 'action packed' school year for our children. The Junior children are very excited as their annual residential trip to Tower Wood is fast approaching. Our school improvement priorities this school year are:-

- Further development of the roles and responsibilities of our Junior Leadership Team
- Mrs Millward to lead the development of writing across the school – developing 'inspirational' writing lessons
- Mr Goostry is continuing to develop mental maths across the school
- Mrs Rund has many wonderful new ideas for STEM challenges and she is going to develop this further.

We have many new children starting with us this term and I would like to welcome all the children and their families to our school. We look forward to getting to know you all and hope you settle in quickly to life at Singleton School.

School Office

Messages from the office:-

- **Kids Club** now has an **online booking system** – please **do not** phone the office and ask to be booked on as Kids Club is separate to school and Mrs Reeves **cannot book** children on the new system.

Polite request

- **Currently hours of time are lost each week with parents and carers phoning/emailing to ask questions about times and dates of events. We regularly update the website and Facebook and we send out a monthly newsletter (and place one on the website) and where possible a reminder text. It is your responsibility to read the information given and check dates and times. We recognise that on occasion's times and dates have to be changed – but the office always updates the latest newsletter and sends out text reminders if this happens. Please check your emails / texts and the website first before phoning the office. Please note at busy times, we may not be able to send out a reminder text!**



If you need to contact school for any reason then the office opening hours are as follows:-

Monday 8.00 am - 4.15pm
Tuesday 8.00 am - 4.15 pm
Wednesday 8.00 am - 4.15 pm
Thursday 8.00 am - 4.15 pm
Friday 8.00 am - 4.15 pm
Tel (01253) 882226

Please note that the office is closed for lunch between

12:00 and 1:00pm

The phone will not be answered at this time

A note from Mrs Reeves – Office Manager

Payments to School

Please note all clubs and dinners must be paid for **in advance**.

Dinner Money

You can pay for School dinners on a weekly or half-termly basis. If you choose to pay weekly, you will need to pay a week **in advance**. Weekly dinner money will be collected on a Friday at the office – please hand in to Mrs Reeves or send in in a labelled envelope. **Dinner money for next term up to 26th October (half term) will be £83.60** (please make cheques payable to Lancashire County Council).

Absence - If your child is absent, from school please inform the office by 9.20am and **leave a message** on the answerphone.

Extra-Curricular activities

Information about PE and extracurricular activities

- Please make sure that your child has additional kit for any after school activity, as P.E Kit **must not** be worn.
- It is important that for sports such as football and hockey your children have the correct kit as these clubs will always take place outdoors– Please ask Mr Goostry if you are unsure what your child needs.
- Please pick up your child promptly at **4.15pm after clubs**. Children will be placed in Kids Club if you are late and you will be charged accordingly.
- Please make sure that you pay for clubs in advance. If this does not happen then your child will not be booked on the course



EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Monday	Yr 1-4 Dodgeball 3–4.15pm £14 Yr 5&6 Forest School 3-4pm Free
Tuesday	Yr 1&2 Football 3-4.15pm £14 Yr 3-6 Cheerleading 3-4.15pm £14
Wednesday	Yr 3-6 Guitar between 12&2pm £28 Yr 4,5&6 Tennis 3-4.15pm £21 Yr1,2&3 Hockey 3-4.15pm £14
Thursday	Yr 1&2 Singing 12.30-1.30pm £28 Yr 5&6 Netball 12.30-1pm Free Yr 3,4,5&6 Football 3-4.15pm £12 (no football 25 th Oct)
Friday	Yr 3,4,5&6 Singing 12.30-1.30pm £28

Attendance and Birthdays



September

Happy birthday to the following children

September –

- 2nd Charlie Piggott, Gabriella Wills
- 3rd Emma Taylor
- 10th Emelia Rogers,
- 11th James Murray
- 12th Jack Dobson
- 20th Oliver Roskell,
- 21st Poppy Hardcastle
- 22nd Scott Thompson
- 23rd Missy Conway,
- 25th Henry Bullen & Theo Taala



Attendance

The overall attendance for July was 97.12%

Congratulations to those children who had 100%

For more information about attendance and holidays in term time, please check out the school website. If you need support with attendance and punctuality please contact Mrs Lilley, our Family Learning Mentor

Diary Dates and Holidays

HOLIDAYS 2018/2019	HOLIDAYS 2019 /20
<p>Autumn Term</p> <p>Open Wednesday 5th September, 2018</p> <p>Close After School Friday 26th October, 2018 (Normal Time)</p> <p>Open Monday 5th November, 2018</p> <p>Close After School Friday 21st December, 2018 (1.30pm)</p> <p>Spring Term</p> <p>Open Tuesday 8th January, 2019</p> <p>Close After School Friday 15th February, 2019 (Normal Time)</p> <p>Open Monday 25th February, 2019</p> <p>Close After School Friday 5th April, 2019 (1.30 pm)</p> <p>Summer Term</p> <p>Open Tuesday 23rd April, 2019</p> <p>Closed Monday May 6th, 2019 (Bank Holiday)</p> <p>Close After School Friday 24th May, 2019 (Normal Time)</p> <p>Open Monday 3rd June, 2019</p> <p>Close After School Friday 19th July, 2019 (1.30pm)</p>	<p>Not available at this time</p>
<p>Inset Days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th September 2018 Monday 7th January 2019 Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd July 2019 	

Dates for your Diary - (3 months in advance)

September	October	November
<p>5th – School Opens</p> <p>5th / 6th /7th – New starters picked up at 1:15pm</p> <p>10th – New Starters in full time</p> <p>13th – Worship in Church 9:10am – all welcome</p> <p>13th -Gazette to take New Starter photos</p> <p>14th - Star Challenge Rossall –Y5/6 team</p> <p>17th – School Photographs</p> <p>18th - Mad Science assembly 1:30pm</p> <p>24th – Class 3 assembly 9:05am</p> <p>24th – Science – Theatre show pm</p> <p>28th - Non uniform day – Bring a bottle</p>	<p>1st Foundation Stage Parents coffee and chat with Mrs Haigh 2pm</p> <p>8th – Class 2 assembly 9:05am</p> <p>11th – Worship in Church 9:10am – all welcome</p> <p>11th – Informal parents evening 5:00 – 6pm -- no children allowed</p> <p>14th - Harvest and Blessing of the Peace Garden in Church 9:30am</p> <p>15th Class 1 Assembly 9:05am</p> <p>15th Reading workshop for FS and Y1 parents – 2:00pm</p> <p>19th- Non uniform day FOSS – Tombola prize</p> <p>22nd- 24th Tower wood Residential</p> <p>25th -FOSS Magical Disco</p> <p>26th -School Closes for Half term 3pm</p>	<p>5th School opens</p> <p>6th Class 3 Science at Hodgson Academy</p> <p>7th – Open Afternoon 1:15pm</p> <p>8th – Flu Vaccinations</p> <p>12th Foundation Stage assembly 9:05am</p> <p>13th Class 3 Science at Hodgson Academy</p> <p>20th Class 3 Science at Hodgson Academy</p> <p>22nd Formal Parents evening – no children allowed</p> <p>27th Class 3 Science at Hodgson Academy</p> <p>30th FOSS Christmas Fair 3pm</p>

<http://www.singleton.lancs.sch.uk/>

It is your responsibility to note diary dates!

Please note that we try to inform you of diary dates/changes to dates well in advance so that you can plan. We will not necessarily send out specific letters for every individual event as dates and times are quite clearly indicated in the monthly newsletter which gives up to 3 months' notice. Miss Manning usually does try to send out reminder texts/Facebook notices as an additional support to parents but this may not always happen during busy periods.

Magical Disco – This will be held on **Thursday 25th October** – more details to follow

There will be a family Christmas fair event on **Friday 30th November at 3pm**. The FOSS team work extremely hard to organise a fun-filled family events and to raise money for our children. Please try to support them. There will be two FOSS non-uniform days this term as follows:-

- 28th September- Non uniform day – Bring a bottle
- 19th Non uniform day – Tombola prize

FOSS are currently raising money for the following

- New Reading books – a top up for the Oxford reading scheme
- Outdoor play equipment for the infants – see ideas below
- A contribution towards ICT equipment – replacement laptops in Mrs Millwards classroom



Tower Wood residential trip

It is that time of year again when our year 5 and 6 pupils go on their residential trip. The annual residential trip to Tower Wood takes place from 22nd to 24th October

Mr Goostry will run a meeting on Tues 2nd Oct at 3.10pm for all parents to go through the itinerary, go through the kit list and give you the opportunity to explain any medical need that the children have. Please could all remaining money be returned to the office ASAP

The children are very excitedas are Mr. Goostry and Mrs. Haigh



Informal Parents Evening / Meet the Teacher

We will once again be holding an Informal Parents evening and we ask that you attend. **(Please do not bring your children to this)**. This is an important evening as it gives us an opportunity to update you on the new things we are doing in school.

The informal parent's evening will take place on

- Thursday 11th October –evening 5:00 – 6pm – **no children allowed**

There will be presentations about

- Online safety
- Behaviour
- STEM updates
- Meet the Junior Leadership Team
- Reading and Phonics

Following this there will be an opportunity to meet with your children's teachers in their classrooms where further information will be available about curriculum coverage, homework expectations etc.



Year 5/6

Head Teachers Award – Annabel Bithell

Spirit of Singleton Award – Maisy Millward

Creativity – Sophie Kerr

Sporting Excellence – Ebony Butterworth & Tom Atcheson

Ethos – Polly Bithell

Christian Values – Harrison Thoburn

Effort and Achievement – Oliver Bithell

Progress – George Whitham

Rotary Citizenship Award - Charlotte Clayton & Aimee-Lee Wilson

Pride of Singleton – Ethan Rogers, Ross Barber, Thomas Cartwright, Joseph Shaw, Scarlett Hardcastle, Isabella McQuillan, Harriet Medd



Termly Awards

Christian Values – Oliver Robinson, Jayden Moores, Oliver Riley

Creativity – Alice Yates, Oliver Brown, Emily Grundy

Effort and Achievement – Finley Hunt, Thomas Dunkow, Matilda Murphy

Ethos – Rocco Fusco, Joseph Shepherd, Heidi Lee

Progress – Daniel Small, Theo Taala, Isla Rund

100% Attendance Awards



Luis Rigby, Reuben Smith, Charlie Potter, Ollie Rigby, Theo Taala, Beatrice Walker, Charlie Piggott, Isla Rund, Oliver Riley, Emily Grundy, Niamh Smith, Emily Taala, James Tattersall, Eleanor Smith, George Whitham

Spirit of Singleton Kid's Club Award

Harry Hopwood

Star of the Week / Head teacher Commendations

July 2018



Foundation

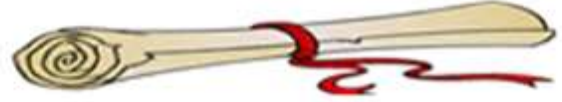
Class 1

Class 2

Class 3

**Due to Prize giving and end of term events,
there are no Stars of the Week or Head
teachers Commendations for July**

July 2018



Head teachers Commendations

Foundation

Class 1

Class 2

Class 3

Parish / Community News



Family Communion

Our Family Communion service is held every Sunday at 9.30am. On the first Sunday of the month this is followed by coffee and biscuits served in church.

Children

Children are both welcomed and encouraged at all our services and especially at our regular Family Communion held each Sunday. There are toys and books at the back of church for children to use during the service.

Dedication of Singleton Peace Garden

On Sunday 14th October, there will be special service in which the children will be involved. This will be followed by a short service by Singleton Trust who have developed a Peace Garden in the Church grounds. Everybody welcome.

Autumn term Kids Club activities.

Autumn 1

We have planned another action packed term for Kids club. This term our theme is Castles.

Craft activities will run on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 - 4:00 pm. In craft, this term the Wednesday and Friday craft sessions will be on construction and the children will make a castle. The Thursday session will be Harry Potter craft.



Pencil brooms



wands



Bookmarks



Wizard Letters



Pebble messages

The club will also run

- STEM challenges
- Table tennis, throwing and catching games
- Badminton - (Friday)
- Role play areas
- Story time
- Making a Bug Hotel

In the **autumn term 2** the theme Fireworks then Christmas and the following exciting activities have been planned
The craft activities include making :-



In the run up to Christmas

These will include:-

- Role play -Father Christmas's grotto
- Firework art
- Christmas Craft

For further details about Kids Club please contact Miss Manning - you can leave an answerphone message and she will get back to you.

'New To Foundation' - coffee and chat with the teacher

Mrs Haigh would like to invite all our new (Foundation Stage) parents to an informal meeting on-

Monday 1st October at 2pm.

This is a follow up to the induction process; it gives you all a chance to meet each other, have a cup of tea and listen to Mrs Haigh who will go over with you any key information.

She will also run through behaviour management with you and discuss what 'normal' behaviour expectations / patterns are for 4 year olds and how we implement structure, boundaries and routines into daily life in school. She will also give you top tips for supporting with behaviour at home!



Reading Workshop- Supporting your child with reading

Mrs. Haigh is going to run a workshop on 'helping your child learn to read' on:-

Monday 15th October at 2pm

The workshop is open to Foundation Stage and Year 1 parents.

Mrs. Haigh will run through strategies for supporting your child with learning to read.

Please come and join Mrs. Haigh in the Old Hall.....tea / coffee and maybe even a biscuit will be provided!

Please let the office know if you are interested in a place.



Health Snacks Policy

As you are all well aware, the Governing body have a policy that only **fruit snacks** are permitted in school for break times.

We ask that you ensure that you continue to support this; the Governing Body made this decision because we have a child with a severe nut allergy.

We do not allow children to take food out of their packed lunch boxes for break time. Please ensure that if your child is on a packed lunch you send in their fruit snack separately as this is kept in the classroom / on their peg for easy access at break time.



Photo Gallery

