

Livingstone Newsletter

8th December 2023

Star of the Week:

Nursery: Lenny Year 3: Ben B Reception: Abbie-Leigh Year 4: Tilda Year 1: Maximus Year 5: Jacob Year 2: Evelyn Year 6: Emily

Well done to all our Stars of the Week!

<u>Clubs</u>:

History club is on Monday next week. Sewing club and Multisports for Y5/6 are on as usual. There are no recorders, debate, multisports for Y1/2 or science clubs next week.

Christmas Fair Saturday 9th December 2023:

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas Fair on Saturday from 11am to 1.30pm. There will be stalls, games, bouncy castle, tombolas and raffles galore along with snacks and drinks for sale. There will even be a visit from Father Christmas in his grotto.

Please remember to bring cash and ideally change!

All money raised will go to Friends of Livingstone and help us to buy things we can't normally afford out of the school budget. We would like to thank all of the parents, businesses and members of the local community for their generous donations.

Nativity Performances:

No actual tickets will be issued but the names and relevant number of tickets will be checked on the door. We will be selling raffle tickets at each performance and draw a raffle at each one so please bring some change.

It is really important that all children in Y1 and Y2 return back to school for the evening performance so that all audiences get the best show possible! Children should be back at school for 5.30pm. The show lasts about 40 minutes so, if you aren't in the audience, children should be ready to be picked up from about 6.50pm.

Christmas Parties:

On their Christmas party day (please see dates in diary dates list below), children can wear party clothes for the day if they so wish. Please make sure that these are also suitable for going outside at playtime and lunchtime.

Carol Service:

On the last day of term, we hold a carol service telling the story of the First Christmas through readings and carols. If any parents would like to join us for this, you would be welcome. It will start at 9.05am on Friday 15th December.

Student Leaders Christmas Jumper day:

It was lovely to see all the Christmas jumpers today! Thank you for your generous donations to the Mossley food bank and Emmaus.

Reception Applications:

The portal for applications for Reception is now open. All nursery children need to apply online for your child to have a place in school. The deadline is 15th January 2024.

Places for Nursery:

Places for Nursery for September 2024 are managed by us as a school so please get in contact and we will add you to the list. In fact, it's never too early to put your child's name down as we maintain ongoing lists for future years too!

Lost property:

We have a pile of lost property at the moment, all of which seems to belong to nobody..... please see the list sent home by email and claim what is yours. Anything not claimed will go to charity or added to the second hand uniform. Please ensure your child's name is in their school jumpers and sweatshirts as then they might find their way back to the owners!

Christmas Card orders:

To view your child's artwork please visit <u>www.mychildsart.co.uk/order</u> and select 'view school artwork'. Then enter the username and password below, please note that these are case sensitive. Username = Livingstone Password = wvicdpJ1

Then search for your child/children's names or individual codes to view the design. Any products ordered and paid for online will be posted to your address directly and not via school. Livingstone Primary School will receive a small commission payment and this will be used towards the purchase of resources that all the children will benefit from. If you can't find your child's art work please contact your child's teacher to check if your child was absent on the day the pictures were created or contact My Child's Art directly on 01530887650. There is also an option to upload your own photograph or picture if your child hasn't created one.

After the Diary Dates, I have attached a few flyers.

Dates for your diary: Saturday 9th December: Christmas Fair 11.00am - 1.30pm Monday 11th December: EYFS Nativity 9.30am; Year 1 & 2 nativity 2pm Tuesday 12th December: EYFS nativity 9.30am; Year 1 & 2 nativity 2pm & 6pm Thursday 14th December: EYFS party am; Y1&2 and Y3&4 party pm Friday 15th December: Carol concert 9.10am; Y5&6 party pm; end of term 3.15pm Monday 18th December – Monday 1st January 2024: Christmas holiday Tuesday 2nd January 2024: Inset Training Day for Staff Wednesday 3rd January 2024: Children return to school

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES UNTER SPORTS 18-22 DECEMBER

Droylsden Library Monday 18 10:30am Dukinfield Library Tuesday 19 11:00am Hattersley Library Thursday 21 2:15pm Ashton Library Friday 22 3:00pm



ECO4 Flexible Eligibility

Want a warmer home and lower energy bills....

As the months are now colder and families across Grater Manchester are struggling to keep warm in their homes, Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) working with all 10 Greater Manchester Councils has put in place a list of three qualified installers to deliver **FREE** (FULLY FUNDED) whole house energy efficiency improvements funded by the Energy Company Obligation Local Authority Flexible Eligibility Scheme (ECO4 Flexible Eligibility Scheme).

What is ECO4 Flexible Eligibility?

- A Council led scheme improving the energy efficiency of homes.
- Whole-house approach which provides homes with **FREE** measures, heating systems such as air source heat pumps (for heating and hot water), solar PV, insulation, boiler repairs. This is a fully funded scheme.

Who is eligible? (owner-occupiers or private tenants -not social housing tenants)

• Households with pupils of free school meals could be eligible.

As well as being in receipt of a free school meal they would need to meet **one** of the below eligibility criteria as well:

- 1. Live in a deprived postcode area (we can do the checks for this.) OR
- 2. A person living at the home receives a Council Tax reduction on the grounds of low income. OR
- 3. A person living at the premises is considered to be vulnerable to the cold due to health reasons OR
- 4. Referral from their energy supplier or Citizens Advice because they have been identified by as struggling to pay their gas or electricity bills OR
- 5. In fuel debt.

Alternatively, if the pupil is not in receipt of free school meals but they or someone in their household is vulnerable to the effects of living in a cold home with at least one of the following conditions, they may also be eligible:

- o A cardiovascular condition,
- A respiratory disease,
- \circ Limited mobility, or
- \circ Immunosuppression.

The eligible resident must live in a property that is energy inefficient, so EPC (energy performance certificate) band D to G. It is <u>not</u> the responsibility of the homeowner to check this as part of the referral process, we can do these checks.

The scheme is currently open and accepting referrals.

GMCA have a portal which allows residents to self-refer, and check property eligibility: <u>Energy Company Obligation</u> <u>Scheme - Greater Manchester Combined Authority (greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)</u> If you wish to view the full eligibility criteria, please see the GMCA statement of intent: <u>GMCA ECO4 Flexible</u> <u>Eligibility Statement of Intent v4 (greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)</u>

Installers

GMCA have developed a list of three qualified installers who can help assess the needs of eligible households and install energy efficiency measures. Each installer has been allocated specific areas to work with:

Districts	Installer	Contact
Bury, Rochdale, Oldham, Tameside	PHS Home Solutions Ltd T/A 0800 Repair	<u>www.0800repair.com</u> 0800 737 247

Active Tameside Christmas Parties:

SEND Family Christmas Party

Don't miss out on the chance to rock around the Christmas tree and enjoy a festive treat with your friends. It's a great occasion to create lasting memories and spread the reindeer dust. So, mark your calendars and make sure to join us at the SEND Christmas Party. It's going to be an unforgettable event that you won't want to miss!

To book please follow the link: <u>https://eequ.org/experience/5468</u>

Childrens Christmas Parties

Active Medlock Christmas Party Soft Play Christmas Party Clip n climb & High Ropes

Tameside Wellness Centre Christmas Party Soft Play Christmas Party Bowling

Active Medlock SEND Specific Christmas Party, Soft Play & Sensory Play Clip n climb, High Ropes & Sensory play



For more information on our Christmas parties please follow the link, we also have funded spaces available through Fuel4fun.

https://eequ.org/christmasparties

or alternatively please scan the QR below



Closing date extended to 19th January 2024



The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

