

Livingstone Newsletter

9th February 2024

Star of the Week:

Nursery: Niamh Year 3: Artie Reception: Raye Year 4: Olly Year 1: Loän Year 5: Edie Year 2: Malakai Year 6: Gabby

Well done to all our Stars of the Week!

<u>Clubs</u>:

Sorry about the short notice for cancelling clubs and the debate competition last night. Clubs continue after the holidays. All clubs will be on the first week back except for debate as the Debate competition has been rearranged for this week. We won't send any additional letters out but assume that as permission was given for yesterday, this is still valid for February 22nd.

Clubs on after the holiday: Monday: History Tuesday: Boardgames, Recorders, Multisports Y1/2 Wednesday: Multisports Y3/4 Thursday: Sewing, Science Y5/6

Little Visitors:

We have little visitors in some children's hair at the moment. Please take time over half term to check heads and treat if necessary. Please remember that for effective treatment, you also have to get rid of the eggs otherwise they will just hatch again! Thank you for your support.

Science fair for parents and carers: Wednesday 13th March

As part of British Science Week we are holding a science fair in the hall after school on Wednesday 13th March. All year groups will have set up a science experiment in the hall that the children can have a go at and if it is from their class they might even be able to explain the science! All welcome.

Safe Squad Year 6:

Year 6 had a great afternoon learning all things safety related on Tuesday afternoon. They covered fire safety, online safety, first aid and community safety too.

Online Safety Parents and Carers session:

Thank you to Mrs Dawson for running these sessions. It was a shame that we didn't have many parents attend.

Second hand uniform:

Stocks have been replenished and we have a huge amount of second-hand uniform – including jumpers, cardigans, trousers, skirts and shoes! So please check on school spider if you want any – even if it's the next size to grow into! Just 'purchase' it on school spider for free and we will send it home with your child at the end of the day. If you click the drop down button, you will see how many are available in each size and please order as many as you will make use of.

Unclaimed Raffle Prize from the Christmas Fair:

We still have 1 unclaimed raffle prize from the Christmas fair that we have been unable to track down. The number and name is:

187 Louise Hartman

If you know this person, please ask them to come into the office and collect their prize!

MMR Vaccine:

As many of you may have seen, there is a national concern about the uptake of the MMR jab and the risk this presents of a serious measles outbreak. Intrahealth are currently offering a catch up programme for the vaccine but the take up at present is low across Tameside. Parents/carers can take up the offer from Intrahealth or by contacting their GP to ensure that the serious long term health risks of measles are mitigated. 1 in 5 people with measles will need to go to hospital and 9 in 10 unvaccinated children will catch measles if someone in their class has it.

We also know there are a number of adults (particularly those aged 18-35) who may be missing one or more doses and therefore will be vulnerable to infection. If unsure, you should be able to check your records via the NHS app or by speaking to your GP practice. It is never too late to get the MMR vaccination – children and adults alike can get it via their GP practice if they are missing a dose or doses.

Please see the separate Public Health letter about measles sent out earlier this week.

Tameside Parents' survey on Early Years and the new entitlements:

The survey will help us to gain an understanding of parents' current requirements and how their childcare patterns may change as the new entitlements are implemented. As an incentive, parents who leave their name and email address at the end of the survey will be entered into a draw to win a £50 shopping voucher.

The survey can be accessed by clicking on the following link: Online Parent Survey

Further information about the new entitlements can be found at <u>Expansion to Free Early Education and Childcare</u> 2024-2025 (tameside.gov.uk)

Transpennine Trail Children's Pack:

The latest kids activity pack, full of fun activities for the February half term break is now available to download from the transpennine trail website. The pack contains lots of activities that include making a jam jar xylophone, becoming an animal track detective, making an egg box bird feeder along with activities for Pancake Tuesday and Valentine's Day. The pack is aimed at primary school children with help as necessary from their parents or carers, and older children may enjoy some of the activities too.

Download it from our Children's page at: <u>https://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/welcome-to-our-childrens-page/</u>

Have a lovely half term and we will see everyone back at school on Monday 19th February.

After the Diary Dates, I have attached a few flyers and a letter about World Book Day on 7th March.

Dates for your diary:

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Friday 9 th February:	end of half term 3.15pm
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th February: Half -term	
Monday 19 th February:	Back to school
Thursday 22 nd February:	Debate Society competition 3.45pm @ MHHS
Tues 27 th February:	Year 6 to Careers Fair @ MHHS
Tuesday 5 th March:	Year 4 Educational Visit to Chester
Wednesday 6 th March:	Year 6 Educational Visit to Portland Basin
Thursday 7 th March:	World Book Day – please see letter after these dates
Monday 11 th March:	Year 3 Stone Age Day in school with Stone Age Visitors
Tuesday 12 th March:	Young Shakespeare Year 6;
	Year 3/ 4 Dodgeball Tournament @ MHHS
Tuesday 19 th March:	Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm
Wednesday 20 th March:	Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7pm
Tuesday 26 th March:	Year 2 educational visit to Fire Museum, Rochdale
	Year 4 Times Tables virtual challenge with MCSP schools;
	Easter concert for Years 3,4 and 5: 2pm and 6pm
Thursday 28 th March:	End of term for Easter holidays 3.15pm
Friday 29 th March – Friday 12 th April: Easter Holidays	
Monday 15 th April:	Children return to school



World Book Day is almost upon us once more. It is always a fantastic day filled with fun activities which promotes the love of reading.

This year we are bringing back a theme which was very popular. We are giving each Key Stage an author to use as inspiration for fancy dress. As we have said previously we do not want this to be of great expense to you and I have put a few ideas below of characters that use every day clothes.

EYFS and Key Stage One (Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) children can dress up as a character from a Julia Donaldson book.



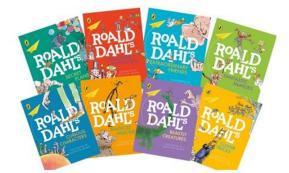
Julia Donaldson characters using everyday clothes : Paper Dolls, Charlie Cook, The Smartest Giant







Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) children can dress up as a character from a Roald Dahl book.



Roald Dahl characters using everyday clothes: Charlie Bucket, James, George, Matilda



In addition to activities on the day we are also hosting a family quiz. Everyone will be given a quiz sheet with a chance to win a hamper of books for the family. One entry per family please.

Many thanks Mrs Marshall

Make Me a Story

Crafts, games and treasure hunt on a storytelling theme

Monday 12 February 10 - 11am Hyde Library Town Hall, sk14 1AL

Wednesday 14 February 2 - 3pm Stalybridge Library Trinity Street, SK15 2BN

Thursday 15 February 2.30 - 3.30pm Denton Library Market Street, M34 2AP

Friday 16 February 10.30 - 11.30am Mossley Library George Lawton Hall, OL5 OHR

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Aimed at children aged 4-11 and their grown ups. No need to book, just come along on the day.

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