

# Livingstone Newsletter 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025



### Star of the week



Nursery: Evie Reception: Afreen Year 1: Remy Year 2: Loän

Year 3: Fliss Year 4: Janey Year 5: Liv Year 6: Billy

#### Clubs:

#### Clubs cancelled next week:

• Debate as Y6 are at their transition days.

All other clubs will be on as normal.

#### **Sports Day:**

Winning teams were Red for the EYFS and KS1 and Green for KS2. Well done to everyone who participated. Everyone showed great resilience and put in their best efforts even if they didn't win.

#### **Midday Assistant:**

We are looking for a midday assistant to supervise children eating in the dinner hall and outside on the playground from September. The role is permanent, 5 days a week, term time only and 1 % hours a day from 12 - 1.15pm. Please contact the office for more information and an application pack if you are interested.

#### **School Streets:**

For the safety of all our children, it looks like the School Streets scheme will be made permanent by Tameside. We are always looking for more volunteers – please see the flyer after the diary dates for more information.

#### **Brass Concert for Y6:**

A separate email and a survey was sent out via school spider this week about Year 6 participating in a brass concert at Mossley Hollins, along with the Mossley Hollins Brass Band and Milton St John's on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July. We would like as many children to participate, as performing is part of learning a musical instrument. The children who are participating will go up to Hollins to practise in the afternoon and then the concert will start at 3.30pm. Please read the letter on School Spider and complete the survey to give your permission and confirm your ticket numbers.

#### **Mayan Cookery for Y5:**

Also on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July, Year 5 will be going up to Mossley Hollins to participate in a DT session where they will be cooking a Mayan inspired meal. They will be using the kitchen facilities at Mossley Hollins. This is part of their Design Technology learning for this term. Half of the children will go up in the morning and half will go up in the afternoon. They should be back before the end of school. Children will have an early or late lunch at school dependant on which group they are in.

#### **Farewell Mrs Thompstone:**

Nichola Thompstone who has been covering Laura Donohue's maternity leave is leaving on Friday as Laura returns on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Nichola has been an asset to the school, slotting into the craziness of a school office very well and managing the competing demands of the phone, emails and messages alongside all the other admin tasks! We'd like to thank her for her hard work and wish her all the best in her new role at St Christopher's.

#### Class teachers for next year:

Nursery – Mrs Dawson / Mrs Flint

Reception - Ms Sellers

Year 1 - Mrs Davies / Mrs Marshall

Year 2 - Miss Mathews

Year 3 – Mrs Coulter / Miss Docherty

Year 4 – Mrs Legge

Year 5 – Miss Keating

Year 6 - Mrs Bromley / Mr Flint

We will be having our in school transition session on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July in the morning where all children will move up to their new class.

#### MCSP Football competition:

Well done to our Y5/6 team of Taffy, Lucas, Juliet, Liv, Cam and Scarlet. They all played fantastically and went through the tournament undefeated to win the competition.

#### Free Parking at the Market Ground Car Park

From Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June, you can park your car for free for two hours at the Market Ground Car Park, once a day, thanks to a change in car parking fees that we and many others in the community have been lobbying for. Please make sure you still get a free ticket though, otherwise you will get a parking fine!

If you want to avoid the congestion and stress of finding a place to park on Old Brow or West Grove, we'd encourage you to park in the Market Ground and make the short walk down to school - and enjoy all the physical and mental health benefits from doing so!

#### **School Uniform:**

Please remember that children should be wearing school uniform including black school shoes for school. All second hand uniform is available for free on school spider. Please do order what you can use.

Please put names in all uniform as the lost property pile keeps getting very large!

After the diary dates, I have attached some flyers about local events.

#### Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 1st July: Mayan Cookery for Year 5; MCSP Brass Band Event for Y6; Nursery Bookstart visit

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July & Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 transition days in Tameside

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Incredible Edible in with Year 5; JASS cake sale after school

Wednesday 9th July: pm - Reading Champions celebration event @ Dukinfield Town Hall; JASS walk am; JASS cake sale

after school

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Mossley Olympics Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 production Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 production Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July: End of Year reports out

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July: Celebration evening 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Thursday 24th July: Leavers' do 5.30-7.30pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July: Leavers' assembly 2pm and end of academic year 3.15pm.



At Livingstone we have a school street. Every morning and afternoon the bottom of Old Brow to the school is closed to vehicles, making it safer for our children to walk, wheel or scoot to and from school and preventing congestion at the gates.

Our school street relies on volunteers –
parents, grandparents and friends –
who spend 30 minutes a week helping
to keep their kids and their friends
healthy and safe.

Can you spare half an hour to help?
you'll get training, there's free
childcare at Littlestones if you're
dropping off / picking up, and it's a
great way to get to know the school and
other parents and carers too!

Monday - Friday (term time only)

8.25 - 9.00 am

ROAD

CLOSED

2.55 - 3.25 pm

Please speak to the school office or let your child's teacher know if you can help out. Thank you!

# Win £1,000 / €1,000 for your school's library

Nominate your school to #rebuildthelibrary and you could win a £100/€120 National Book Token for yourself!





As our friends at <u>Read for Good</u> will tell you, it's well established that reading for pleasure leads to significantly better outcomes for children – boosting academic performance, enhancing wellbeing, and fostering vital life skills like empathy.

But did you know that 1 in 5 children <u>don't have a book at home</u>? And **1 in 7 primary schools in England** have <u>no library space at all</u>, affecting more than **750,000 children**.

Meanwhile, a recent survey from Children's Books Ireland found that more than half (55%) of children in Ireland own 15 books or less. Primary school libraries in Ireland have had no sustained funding since 2008, and many schools lack a dedicated library space for their students; many schools rely on donations to supplement their libraries.

Both Read for Good and Children's Books Ireland have found that the school libraries that do exist, at primary and secondary level, are often filled with unappealing and outdated books. Children facing poverty, who need these school libraries the most, are most likely to be missing out.

#### It's time to #rebuildthelibrary.

Our annual schools prize gives five schools across the UK and Ireland the chance to win £1,000/€1,000 in National Book Tokens so they can fill their library shelves with new books. Each winning school will also receive £300/€300 in cash to make improvements to their library space, making it fun and welcoming for all.

Nominate your school using the form below, and if yours is one of the five winning entries, you'll also win a £100/€120 National Book Token to spend in your favourite bookshop! Remember, the more entries received for your school, the higher the chance they'll win – so don't forget to spread the word. If you work in a school, check out our downloadable banners and posters below.

Please nominate Livingstone here <a href="https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools-prize#:~:text=Our%20annual%20schools%20prize%20gives,fun%20and%20welcoming%20for%20all.">https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools-prize#:~:text=Our%20annual%20schools%20prize%20gives,fun%20and%20welcoming%20for%20all.</a>





# **Tameside SEND Services Event for Families**



## Join us for a friendly, informative event!

Are you a parent or carer of a child with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND)?

Come along and access support, advice and information from a wide range of services, all under one roof.

### What is on Offer:

- Free Legal Advice: Know your rights and how to access support
- Benefits Support: Get help with DLA, PIP, Carers Allowance and more
- Children's Organisations: Talk to professionals who understand your journey
- Local Services Information: Talk to other services to see what is available in Tameside

Date: Thursday 17 July

Time: 10am - 1pm

Venue: Hawthorns School, Manley Grove SK14 6PJ



**Hawthorns School & Tameside Carers Centre**