



# Livingstone Newsletter

## 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

### Star of the Week:

Nursery: Aria  
Year 3: Chloe

Reception: Rufus  
Year 4: Juliet

Year 1: Junior  
Year 5: Sofia

Year 2: Phoebe C  
Year 6: Isabelle

Well done to all of our Stars of the Week!

### Mrs Skeffington's Funeral:



Mrs Skeffington's funeral will be held at St George's Church in Mossley at 2.30pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October. Any parents and members of the Livingstone family are welcome to attend. Close friends (invite only) and family will then go to the crematorium. All will then be welcome at the Mountain Street Club from 4.30pm. The family are asking for donations in her name to St George's Church through this fundraising link <https://karenskeffington.muchloved.com/>

### Digital online Safety:

We continue to update our e-safety webpage on the school website with lots of useful information for parents. A direct link to this page can be found at <https://www.livingstone.tameside.sch.uk/page/e-safety/17782>

This week the link below provides step-by-step guides designed for parents to set up consoles to support their children when in the gaming environment. Internet Matters Gaming consoles and platforms - <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/gaming-consoles/>

Another link is for Common Sense Media which gives Age based media reviews for families with information about apps, games, videos, etc. <https://www.commonensemedia.org/>

### Clubs:

Please remember to book you child into a club each week. These can be done in advance for the Autumn term now if you so wish. If your child changes their mind, please let the office know so that we can offer the space to someone else. Thank you.

### Year 6 Maths challenge:

6 of our Year 6 mathematicians will be going to Hollins to compete in a Maths challenge against the other Mossley and Carrbrook partnership schools. They will be taken up by school staff and picked up too.

### Debate Team:

Our debate team will be debating against other MCSP schools on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November after school. Letters will be sent after the holiday. They will be arguing FOR the motion that 'This house believes the voting age should be lowered to 13'. Good luck to our team.

### Livingstone Open afternoon / evening for prospective parents for Nursery and Reception September 2023:

Our open afternoon and evening for parents looking for a Nursery or Reception place in September 2023 is on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Slots for a tour around school are available at 1.30 (fully booked), 2pm (a couple of places) and 2.30pm (a few places) and then the evening from 6pm -7pm. If you want to book a place, please contact the office.



### Parents' Evening:

Parents' Evening is coming up on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November. One session will be in person (Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November) and the other session (Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November) will be phone calls or Zoom meetings. We have taken this decision because some people have requested face-to-face meetings and others have said they preferred the phone call / virtual option. The sessions will be available to book after half term on School Spider so please make sure your log on is working and book the correct session according to whether you would prefer face-to-face or phone call / virtual.

### Phonics Workshop for Parents:

Ms Sellers will be running a Phonics Workshop for parents of children in Reception and Year 1 on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 5pm. Please come along to find out what phonics is, how it is taught in school and how we teach reading through phonics.

### Year 3 Spanish Day:

Year 3 went up to Mossley Hollins for Spanish day on Monday. Their behaviour was excellent, and they experienced lots of Spanish activities along with the opportunity to taste some Spanish food.

### Hallowe'en Disco Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October:

It was lovely to see so many people at the Hallowe'en disco last night. All monies raised will go to Friends of Livingstone. This is a fund we use to pay for extra things that the school can't normally afford and to subsidise school trips. We will let you know how much we raised after half term. Thank you for your support.

### Mossley Walks event:

There is a 'Walk your Way' coffee morning in half term to find out about family friendly trails and to encourage more people to get out walking around Mossley. A flyer was sent out earlier this week by email.

### Greater Manchester Early Years Survey:

Greater Manchester are launching a survey which can be found at [Greater Manchester Family Survey \(Children under 5\) - Greater Manchester Combined Authority - Citizen Space \(gmconsult.org\)](https://www.gmconsult.org) The survey is designed to be completed by parent/carers of children under 5 and aims to explore the ongoing impact of the covid pandemic and the current cost of living crisis on young children and families.

Please remember that we finish for half term today. Children will return to school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### Dates for your diary:

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October: End of Half term 1

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October: half term holiday

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Start of half term 2

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November: MCSP Maths challenge for Year 6

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: MCSP Debate meeting

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November: Livingstone Open afternoon / evening for new Nursery and Reception September 2023.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November: Year 4 to Mossley Library 1.15pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November: Parents' evening 3.30pm – 6pm (in person)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November: Nasal flu vaccinations; Parents' evening 4.30pm – 7pm (telephone and Zoom)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November: Year 6 to Mossley Hollins for Mayan cookery session

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: Phonics Workshop for parents of children in Reception and Year 1 5pm.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December: Travelling Panto Y1-6

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December: Travelling Panto Nursery and Reception; Year 6 Safe Squad at school

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS nativity 10am; Year 1 & 2 nativity 2pm & 6pm

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS nativity 10am; Year 1& 2 nativity 2pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Dinner

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS / KS1 party am; Y3&4 party pm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Carol concert 9.10am; Y5&6 party pm; end of term 3.15pm

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023: Christmas holiday

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023: Inset Training Day for Staff

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023: Children return to school