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JUST ONE MORE WEEK TO GO UNTIL ONE OF OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISERS OF THE YEAR
OUR PTFA CHRISTMAS FAIR/EVENING
Thursday 3rd December from 6pm in school.

I ask every family to make a real effort to sell their raffle tickets (2 books per child) to friends and family before the evening. Tickets are £1 each so £5 each book. Money and stubs should be sent into school and further raffle ticket booklets requested.

Donations of raffle prizes, gifts for the mums and dads stall (much needed!), please send in asap. Cakes and mince pies are most welcome on the day – please send in the morning or straight after school so we can get things ready in plenty of time. PTFA would also welcome any help setting up straight after school and running the stalls.

Father Christmas is attending once again in his special grotto. Please get your tickets from the school office to see Santa in his grotto, at the special early bird discount price of £4.00 which includes a gift and a photo. These tickets will cost £5 on the evening.

The hall will be full of stalls and refreshments will be served. You can also purchase pre-paid wrist bands on the evening which save the hassle of finding change on the night for your child(ren). There will now be an option to use cash or card for the first time, so please bear with us. Card payments over £1 can be used to purchase wrist bands, food and drinks from the kitchen and the tuck shop.

At our famous mums' and dads' stall, children can come (NO ADULTS ALLOWED!!!) and buy a great present at the amazing price of just £2.00 for their mums and dads which will also be gift wrapped to add to the surprise on Christmas Day. Any donations of suitable gifts would be much appreciated (books, toiletries etc). Please send in any suitable items into the school office prior to the evening.

A non-uniform day for the donation of Christmas items is to be held on the same day Thursday 3rd December – Christmas jumpers and accessories are very much encouraged. This year the PTFA is asking for filled goodie jars/bottles from each child. These can be bought or self-made. Self-made on 26th November are washed glass jars of any size with lids on, full of goodies such as jelly beans or sweets, small biscuits or treats, small toiletry items such as small soaps or any other items you can think of that will fit inside and fill the jar and be a wonderful Christmas present.

The Christmas night is always one of our biggest fundraisers and always great fun for children and adults alike, so please make every effort to support us by selling your raffle tickets and by attending on the night.

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Religious Life of the School - Please see the link for this week's Wednesday Word; https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4

Class Assembly dates for this term (all 2:45pm unless notified differently):

Next Friday 4th December November– Y4 Class Assembly (Bowland)

SALFORD DIOCESAN BUILDING FUND (SDBF) – Our governors feel strongly that **all** families should pay the **£25** contribution to the SDBF as they see this as excellent value for a full year of top-class Catholic education. **Please pay asap on ParentPay, thank you.**

SCHOOL NATIVITIES

Each of our infant classes is holding their own Christmas Nativity play this year. See poster on next page. The exact days for each class are as follows;

Tuesday 8th December 3:35pm Year 2

Wednesday 9th December 3:35pm Year 1

Thursday 10th December 3:35pm Reception

Doors will open to gain entry to the hall from 3:00pm each day, please don't arrive any earlier as we need to get the hall set up and there is plenty of room. There's enough room for everyone so tickets aren't needed. The children will perform on a raised stage and we can spread out the chairs for guests, so everyone should get a great view.

There is no need to get your children from their class on their nativity night as the teachers will get the children dressed and ready in the classes and they will line up and come into the hall together as a class, to start each show.

Each night's performance will be about half an hour, after which we will take the children back to class to quickly get changed. Once the children have left the hall, please make your way to the main corridor where we will bring your children to you as soon as possible.

We don't charge for any of our productions but we do ask for cash donations for school funds on each evening, so be prepared and carry some cash!

As at all school events, we are happy for parents and carers to take photos and videos of their child for personal use, but we request that these images are not distributed or shared online if they contain images of other children or adults without consent. Sharing images of others online may put our community at risk. **Thank you for helping keep our whole school community safe.**

SCHOOL NEWS

Y1 WALK - Next Tuesday (1st December), Year 1 will be going on a local walk as part of their Geography learning on routes and maps. Permission is assumed unless we are notified. Please make sure children have a warm coat as it is likely to be cold!

King's Dance Academy – Thanks to your parental support on Facebook, our school has won a free day of dance activities from King's Dance Academy which will be next Tuesday 1st December. All classes will need their PE kits in on this day to take part, thank you.

Parent Governor – Mrs I'Anson's term of office as Parent governor has come to and end and we thank her for her service. This means we currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. This involves two meetings each term. If any parents are interested, in this first instance we ask that you speak to Mr McHugh. Thank you.

Scholastic Bookfair – The book fair has now arrived. Everyone welcome to pop in after school to buy a book and support our school. This will start from 3:30pm from this Friday, cash or card accepted.

International Aid Trust Christmas Shoebox Appeal – LAST WEEKEND TO FILL YOUR SHOEBOX. Please send your filled shoeboxes and £2 in a separate envelope to school by next Tuesday 1st December. Visit www.internationalaidtrust.org.uk/shoeboxes and see flyer on Page 4 for more details.

Whole School Panto Trip – Oh, yes it is! Our whole school is heading to Clitheroe once again for our annual trip to watch a pantomime on Monday 7th December. Please pay £13.75 on ParentPay. Children can wear own clothes but Christmas hats/headwear and Christmas jumpers encouraged (no football kits).


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Infant Nativities
3:35pm in the school hall
Free entry from 3:00pm
Donations appreciated on exit...
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LAST WEEKEND TO FILL YOUR SHOEBOX. THEY ARE DUE BACK TO SCHOOL NEXT TUESDAY.
PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SUPPORT THIS WORTHY CAUSE…

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

International Aid Trust
Christian Compassion For A Hurting World



Pack a shoebox.
Share Christmas joy.

Visit www.internationalaidtrust.org.uk/shoeboxes
for step by step instructions

Ideas for what to include in your shoebox:

Think about the person you are sending your shoebox to and what they would like and what is appropriate for their age, include practical and fun items from this list.

- **Stationery / school supplies**:
  Pens, pencils, pencil crayons, wax crayons, eraser, sharpener, notebooks, colouring or drawing books, maths set, pencil case, *if sending scissors to children, please ensure they are round ended safety type.*
- **Toiletries**:
  Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, flannel or sponge, comb, hair bobbles, roll on deodorant, *No sprays, medicines, vitamins, tablets.*
- **Toys:**
  Small toys, cuddly toys, balls, skipping rope, games, small jigsaws, puzzles etc. *No guns or war toys.*
- **Clothes:**
  Socks, T-shirts, hats, scarves, gloves, underwear, Babygro for little ones.
- **Practical Items:**
  Plastic bowl, cup, cutlery, small or drawstring bag.
  For teens and adults: a small sewing kit, string, safety pins, a wind up torch or plasters. *No matches.*
- **Greetings:**
  You could send a card with a cheerful picture or encouraging message, *please don't include your personal contact details.*
- **Sweets:**
  Please make sure sweets have a long use-by date, *no chocolates.*



Return your labelled shoebox
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STAR PUPILS

The highest award in our school is the Star. These are the children who have excelled in class all week.

Remember your child can keep and wear their STAR BADGE all year but we cannot provide replacements. Also, please remove the badge before washing uniform as if not they can cause a hole to sweatshirts, polo shirts, cardigans, etc. Thank you.

Parlick – Grace Draper: for fantastic enthusiasm when re-telling our Talk4Writing story 'Whatever Next!'

Fairsnape – Laurie-Jade Young: for putting her best effort into all she does.

Pendle – Theo Newby: for a super effort in all areas of learning.

Bleasdale – Evie-Rae Worden: for working hard to develop her writing skills

Bowland – George Brierley: for having a great attitude to learning.

Beacon – Lilly Walsh: for her wonderful attitude to learning.

Dunsop – Harvey Cookson: 'wowing' us with his English work.

Wilf's Marvellous Mathematicians

Wilf and the teachers are tickled pink with this week's marvellous mathematicians who are; Dorothy Jackson, Edward Sutcliffe, Maya Hutchinson-Balshaw, Theo Sidgreaves, Clara Fotheringham, Ralph Lockwood and Elliot George Clifton.

Reading Certificate Winners

The following children have shown great effort, perseverance or talent with their reading this week; Kinga Calciewicz, Jolene Afeeva, Violet Hatton, Shay Callaghan, Isla Watson, Pippa Hehir and Azair Ahmed.

Mission Merit Winner

The following people have demonstrated they are living up to our Mission – Learning to love God, all His People and all He has created through Christ…

Mrs Bushell for living out our mission by showing love and care for Year 5…

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✨ Longridge Golden Star Christmas Trail ✨

I'm writing on behalf of The Longridge Hub to share some festive community news!

We're launching our very first Golden Star Christmas Trail — a fun, FREE family activity across local shops and businesses in Longridge this Christmas.

Here's how it works:

- 🎁 **Families pick up a trail form from The Longridge Hub and visit participating shops to find the hidden Golden Stars**
- ⭐ **Each star has a unique number to mark off on their form**
- 🎉 **Return your completed form to enter our grand prize draw — a huge community hamper packed with gifts from local businesses!**

It's a wonderful way for families to explore our town, support local traders, and enjoy a magical, low-cost day out together this season.

We'd be so grateful if you could help spread the word — perhaps in your school newsletter, on your website/social media, or via parent apps. We'd love as many families as possible to join in the fun! I've attached a poster to help.

Forms are now available. Entries need to be in by Wednesday 23rd December and the winner will be announced on Christmas Eve.

Thank you so much for helping us bring a little extra sparkle to Longridge this Christmas. If you have any questions, just reply — we'd love to hear from you.

With warmest festive wishes,

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