

13th January
2023



St Mary's and St Benedict's RC Primary School

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	Star of the Week	Reader of the Week
Beesley	Tiana and Luey	Ellis
Benedict	Alexander and Lacey	Rocco-Ray
Finch	Alby and Imogen	Joshua
Haydock	Tyler and Georgie	Oakley
Mary	Evie and Bailey	Lacey
Marsden	Oliver M and Robert	Tommy
Rigby	Mylo and Ebony	Ryan
Roe	Finley and Iga	Chloe
Southworth	Joshua and Harvey	Harry
Ward	Rylee and Charlie	Chimdiebube
Woodcock	Alfie and Joseph	Ellie-May



Safer Internet Day 2023 – This year, Safer Internet Day will be on Tuesday 7th February with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'. As part of this we are launching a whole school competition:

EYFS/KS1 - please design an avatar (character) to represent kindness and friendship. Your designs can include a drawing of your character and a short explanation about how they help others. KS2- please design an app or game to promote well-being and positivity amongst your friends.

**Safer
Internet
Day 2023** | **Tuesday
7 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

saferinternetday.org.uk

Please send all entries into school by Tuesday 7th February. Prizes will be given to winners in each key stage.

Get Well Wishes – Please keep Mrs Livesey in your thoughts and prayers at this time as she recuperates after becoming unwell over Christmas. Mrs Livesey belongs to Brownedge St Mary's Church and is an almost daily visitor to school.

Drinks in School - In the interest of good dental care, we follow Lancashire County Council's guidance in not allowing fruit juices, including fruit cordials or flavoured water to be drunk throughout the day in school. Each class has their own arrangements for water bottles to ensure that children stay hydrated. Please ensure children have a water bottle filled with fresh water each day to support us with this.

Sports drinks are not appropriate for children as the high electrolyte content can cause imbalances in your child's system, which can be dangerous. If a child brings a sports drink into school it will be confiscated until the end of the day, and will only be given back to a responsible adult.

Multi Sports Event - A big "Well Done" to the children in Year 2 who represented our school in the South Ribble Multi Sports Event at Lostock Hall High School on Tuesday. The children took part in many events such as Boccia, dodge ball, relay races and curling. It was a fantastic event and they made us very proud.

School Disco - We have organised a school disco to be held on Thursday 26th January in the KS1 hall. Times of the disco are as follows: 4:45-5:30pm for Reception, Years 1 and 2, 5:45-6:45pm for Years 3 and 4, 7:00-8:00pm for Years 5 and 6.

If your child would like to attend, please pay £2.50 via ParentPay by Tuesday 24th January. The admission cost includes entertainment, snack and drink.



School Admissions 2023 - If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools . It is quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. **The closing date for primary applications for September 2023 is 23:59 on 15 January 2023.**

Community Larder - Please continue to support our local food bank by bringing into school an item of food each week. The Community Larder is situated at the back of St Aidan's Church Hall, on Station Road and provides food and support to individuals and families from Bamber Bridge, Clayton -le-Woods, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale. It is open Monday - Friday 9:30am - 11:30am and is dependent upon food donations from local Christian communities and schools. Thank you for your continued donations.

