

# Lower Park News 3rd May 2024



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The totals for this week will be rolled over until next week due to the Bank Holiday on Monday.

Commendation Awards

*Lydia B*

*Lucy H*

*Jessica P*

*Ava M*

*Leo G*

*Ollie O*

*Holly B*

*William V*

*Violet K*

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## Reception

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*In Reception, the children have been busy in maths lessons looking at numbers to 20. They confidently counted forwards and backwards from a given number and looked at one more and one less. They looked at using two tens frames to make numbers greater than 10. The children are really enjoying our text, 'Supertato' and this week they thought about what they would be like if they were a superhero. They came up with some great ideas about how they would save the day!*

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## KS1

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*This week in KS1 we have enjoyed music lessons where we have been looking at pitch. We have been discussing whether we can hear high or low sounds. The children had a go at using a glockenspiel to make the different sounds. We have also had a very special visitor in school this week. In History we have been thinking about what school would have been like a long time ago. Margaret Martin, a former teacher at Lower Park, kindly came in to answer any questions the children had about life in school from around 40 years ago.*

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## LKS2

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*It has been busy and messy in art lessons this week! The children have continued their work on nests which, as a result, has produced wonderful outcomes. We started by collecting items that birds typically use to make their nests with, then made our own paintbrushes using twine to secure the pieces in place. We then used our 'paintbrushes' to create marks with ink and once we were comfortable and happy with our practise, we painted birds' nests. The children thoroughly enjoyed experimenting with handmade tools and were happy with their finished piece.*

*In PSHE we have been learning about hazards in the home and how to stay safe in the event of a fire. We talked about calling 999 in an emergency and defined what an emergency is so we knew when it was the right time to call the emergency services.*

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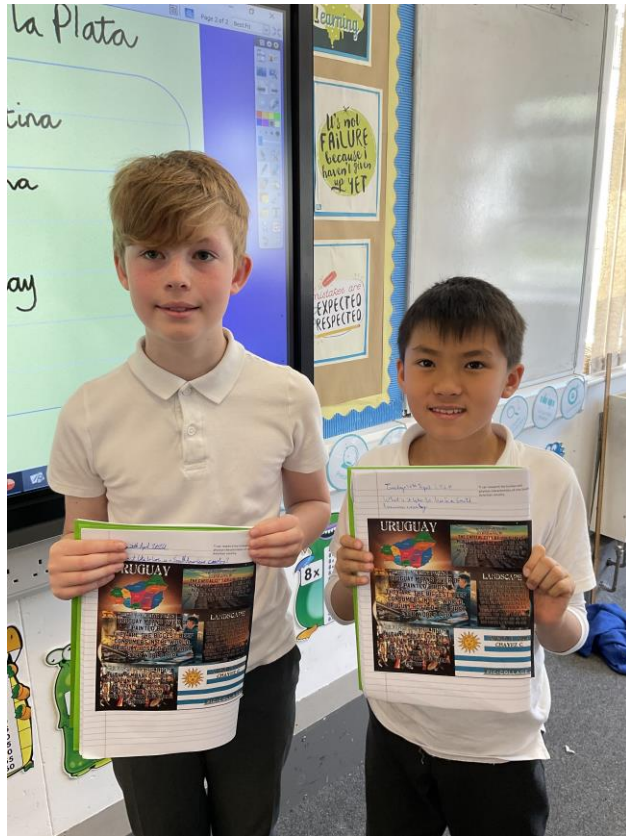
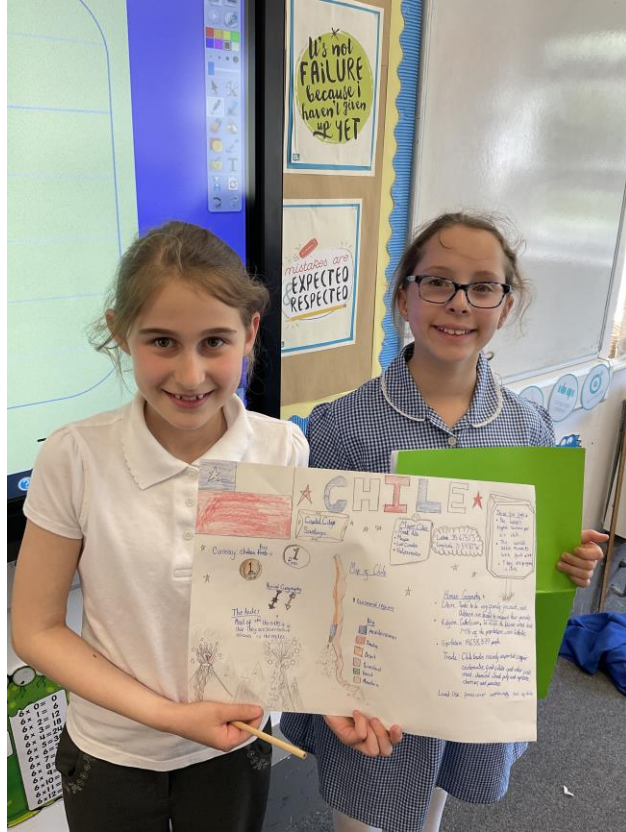


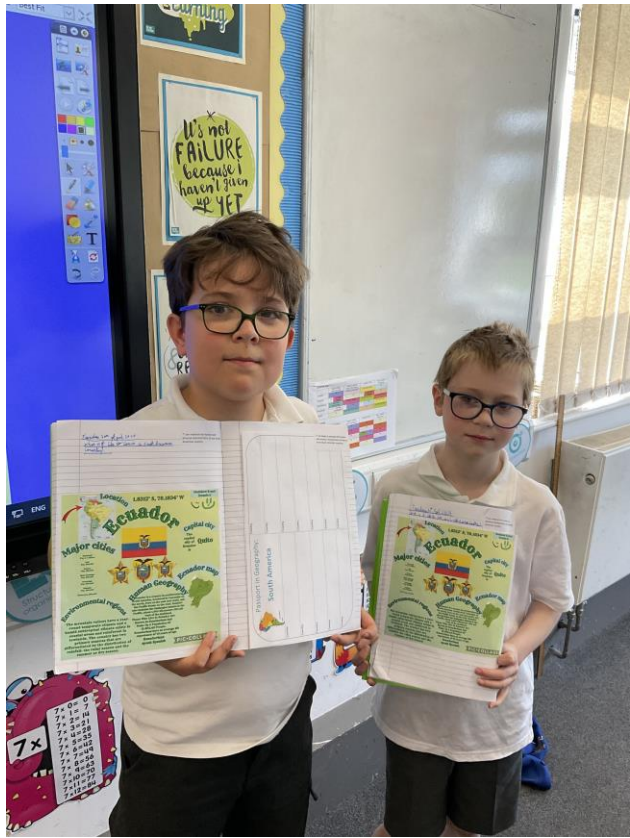
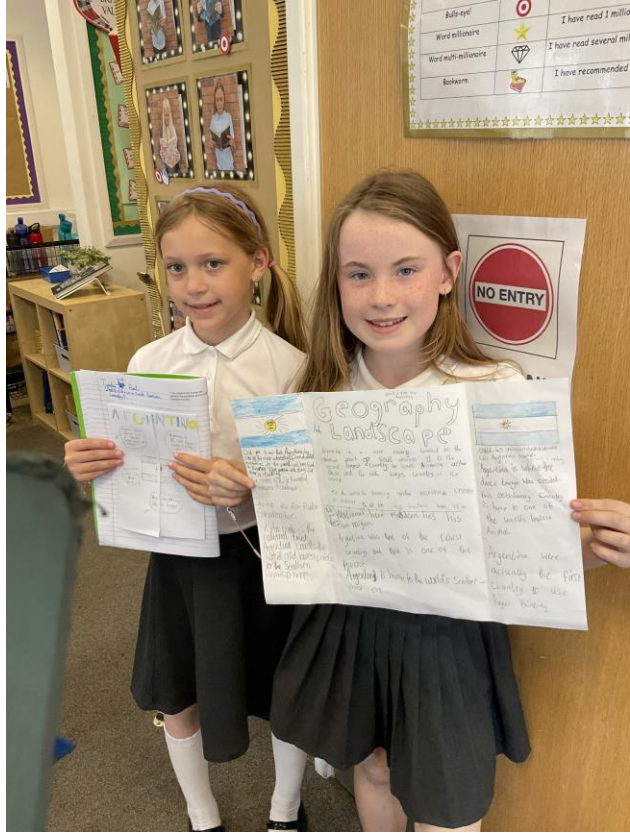
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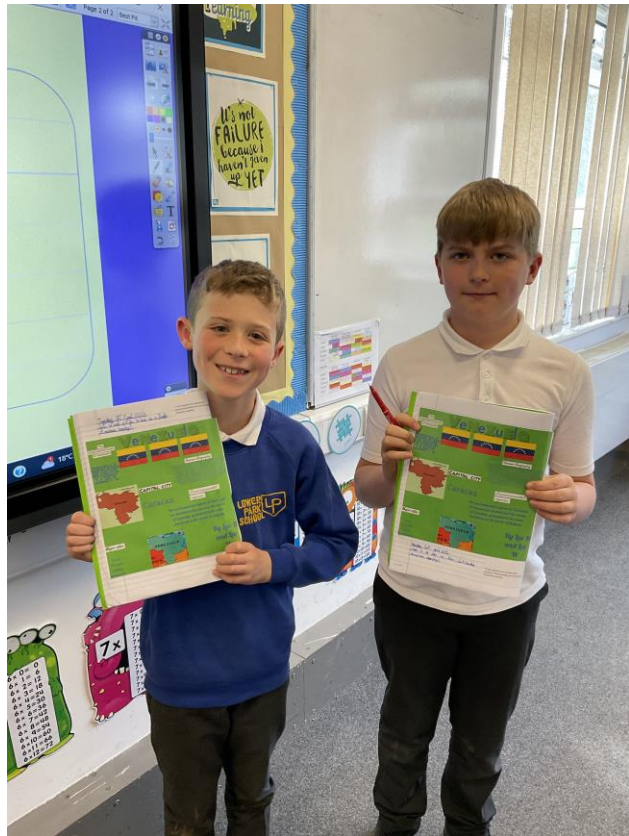
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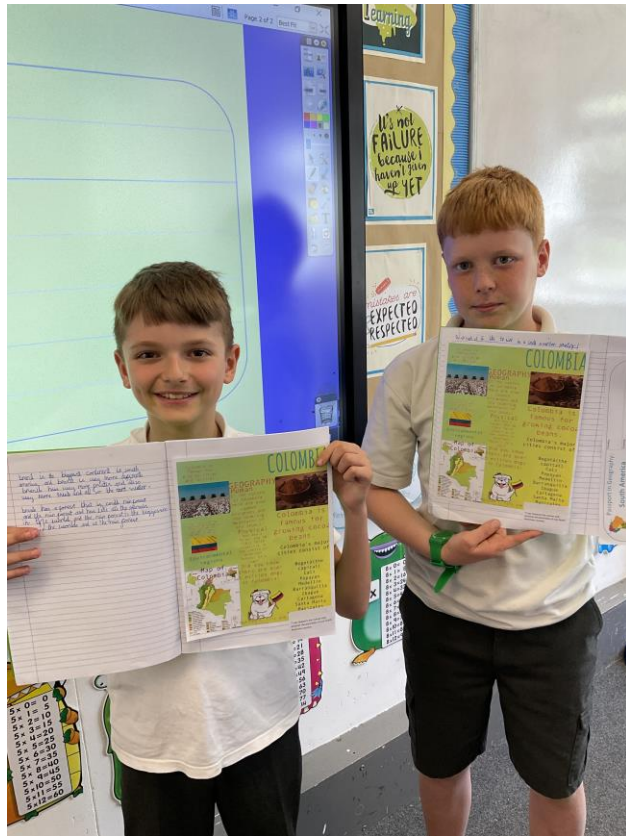
*Over the past few weeks, the children have been diligently working on creating a booklet focused on a specific South American country of their choice. They have explored various aspects of their chosen country, including its national flag, geography, capital city, main industries, climate and notable tourist attractions. Through this work, the children have developed valuable skills in research, writing, and presentation. They have demonstrated curiosity and enthusiasm in learning about different cultures and countries. The culmination of their efforts will be the completion of these informative booklets, which show-cases their understanding and creativity in depicting their chosen South American nation.*

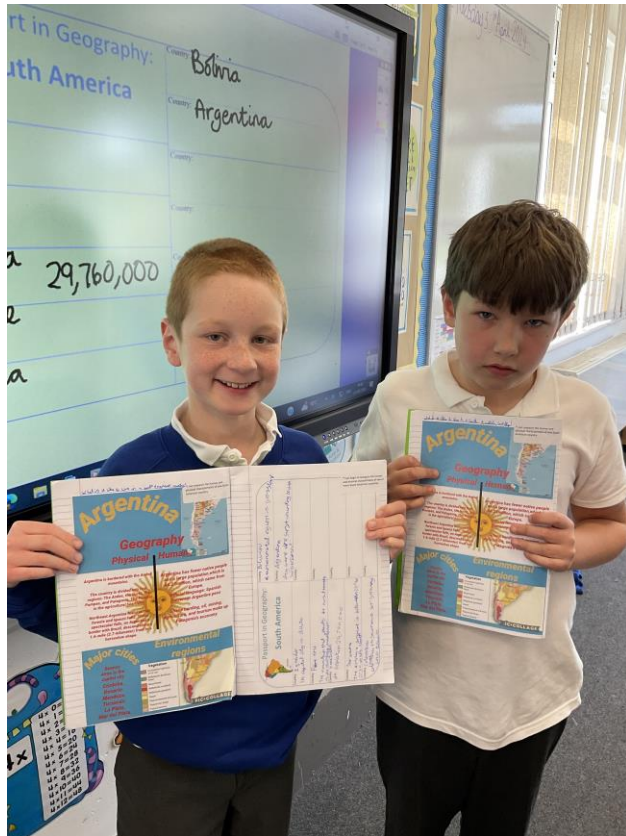
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## Football match

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*Last Tuesday our Lower Park girls football team played against Nevill Road. In the first half, determined to win, Chloe scored a great goal helping us take the lead with the score of 1-0. When half time arrived, the score was 3-1 to Nevill Road, but after Lower Park's coach had given the girls some advice, it quickly rose to 3-2 after Jess scored an incredible goal with her left foot! Soon after Nevill road scored their last goal of the match (bringing the score to 4-2) Chloe and India each scored an amazing goal leaving us in a tie! They were all very proud of the team, especially our brilliant goalkeeper, Jessica, and her amazing saves. The girls were very happy with the results and proud of their astonishing come-back. They represented our school extremely well and we are super proud of them.*

*On Thursday night, the girls were in action again, this time against Pownall Green. It was a tough and physically challenging game and although we did not win, the girls fought hard and played well. Thank you for the excellent support.*

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## School Council

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*The school council meet regularly with Mrs Lomas to represent the voice of all Lower Park children. Suggestions are made via a 'suggestion box' in each class and then we decide as a group what we are going to discuss. The meetings are run and minuted by a Chair and Secretary. This week they have voted that more children have the opportunity to celebrate their achievements with the whole school.*

*As a result we are adding a Headteacher's Award and a Deputy Award that will be weekly and then further celebrations for nine children from each key Stage on a Thursday. Thank you to the school council for their hard work. Please look out for certificates or stickers coming home.*

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## End of Year Reports

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*Thank you to all the families who completed the survey about our end-of-year reports, your feedback is always valuable and constructive.*

*We are pleased to share the new report format with you which is a result of your responses and researching best practice from other schools.*

*The results showed that attainment, progress and effort were perceived to have equal value.*

*The teacher's comment is the most important element. Only 17% found the feedback section useful so this will be removed, with the opportunity to discuss reports during the Open Evening.*

*83% agreed that sending the reports via email is more sustainable with an option to print the reports at home if desired.*

*Please see a blank version of the new report format below. Many thanks again for your input into the design.*

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# Lower Park School

Lower Park School  
Summer Report 2024

Together We Achieve the Extraordinary!

Name: <input type="text"/>	Teacher: <input type="text"/>
Class: Year <input type="text"/>	Attendance: <input type="text"/> %

**Key to Symbols:**

<b>Effort</b>	<b>Progress</b> <i>(from the previous academic year)</i>	<b>Attainment</b>
Excellent	Above	Above
Good	Expected	Expected
Satisfactory	Below	Just Below
More effort required		Below

Curriculum Subjects			
	Effort	Progress	Attainment
English	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Reading	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Writing	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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	Effort	Progress	Attainment
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Next steps:	<input type="text"/>		
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Curriculum Subjects	Effort	Has met the expected standard?
Science	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Computing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
History	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geography	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
RE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Design Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PSHE (Personal, social, health education)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Modern Foreign Languages- MFL (KS2 only)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Homework		<input type="checkbox"/>

General Comments (other subjects, attitude and behaviour)
<input type="checkbox"/>

Child's View
<input type="checkbox"/>

Teacher's signature:

Headteacher's signature:

A report drop-in session will take place between 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm on Wednesday 17th July in your child's classroom during our Open Day. If you wish to discuss this report or look at books, please come to this session.

## RSE Survey

*We would like to express thanks to those of you who have already taken the time to complete the Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) survey. Your feedback is crucial in helping us refine our curriculum for the children.*

*For those who have not yet participated, the survey will be open for another week. Your input is important to us, so please take a moment to share your thoughts.*

### [RSE Consultation Survey](#)

*Further information about our RSE curriculum and further links can be found on our school website*

*School website link is [here](#)*

*Thank you for your continued support and participation.*

## Reminder

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*Please don't allow children to play on or with equipment after school in the playground.*

*Please also remember we are a nut free school, please take care when packing snacks and lunches for your child.*

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## Poynton Show Artwork Competition

The poster features a light blue background with a smiling sun in the top right corner. In the bottom right, there is an illustration of a boy in a red shirt and a girl in a white dress walking a dog on a green grassy hill. The text is arranged in a clean, organized manner, providing details about the competition's theme, rules, and submission deadline.

**POYNTON SHOW**  
Art Competition 2024  
**"Images of Lyme"**

Every August Bank Holiday weekend, Poynton hosts its very own traditional agricultural and horticultural show next to Poynton Pool. As well as a fantastic day out, it is also a chance to bring the community together.

There is an art competition for children aged 4-11. The theme this year is 'Images of Lyme', the local country park. Rosettes will be awarded to winners at the show, children can also win family tickets. Your artwork could be:

- o Buildings (Lyme Hall, the Cage, the tower in the woods)
- o Animals from the park (ducks, deer etc)
- o Activities (walks, picnics, playground)

Entries can be any medium, paint, crayon, felt tips or collage and should be on A4 paper. Children's name and first initial will be displayed with the artwork, if this is an issue, please let school know.

If you would like to enter, please hand in your entries to your class teacher or Miss Cork by **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024**. Please make sure that all artwork is named on the back with your surname initial.

## Communication from the PTA

### Fashion Show

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*The red carpet was literally laid out last Friday for the Lower Park fashion show, the event was a huge success, enjoyed by all in attendance. Thank you so much to everyone that supported the event from bottle donations to buying event and raffle tickets. A special thanks to the army of people that made it happen led by Andrea Airey and her 'fashion fairies' Becky England, Lauren Garner and Erica Roebuck who raised a fantastic £1000 for the school.*

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*Tickets for the family bingo night on Saturday 11th May sold out quicker than anyone anticipated so we have made the decision to change venue to the civic centre which has a bigger capacity.*

*If you've already bought your ticket, you don't need to do anything. Just turn up at 4.30 (5pm) start, next Saturday.*

*If you would still like to try and get tickets, please email [ptalowerpark@gmail.com](mailto:ptalowerpark@gmail.com) with the number of tickets you would like by midday Sunday 5th May. If there are more requests than the number of tickets available we will draw names from a hat. We will email you to let you know if you have been successful.*

*The food order will be submitted to the Strawberry Pig on the evening of Monday 6th May, so all payments for tickets and food must be sent to us by midday on Monday.*

### **Disco**

*The next disco is planned for Thursday 23rd May, tickets go on sale from the office on Tuesday 7th May.*

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- *KS1: 15:45 - 16:45*
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*£5 which includes a snack bag, look out for the spider survey to make your choices. Children can bring clothes to change in to after school.*

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- *KS2: 17:00 - 18:00*
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*£2 ticket and a suggested £3 spending money for the tuck shop*

### **Summer fair**

*Plans for the summer fair on Saturday 29th June are well underway. It's set to be a really fabulous day that will see the school filled with stalls, games, inflatables, entertainment and bar! More details to follow over the coming weeks.*

### **Poynton Party in the Park**



If you're thinking about going to Party in the Park this year, would you please consider using our PTA code **LPPRIMARY24** so that the school can earn 10% of any ticket sales?

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- Visit [www.poyntonparty.com](http://www.poyntonparty.com)
  - Select "Add to order" rather than "Express checkout" as the code doesn't work with the express checkout
  - Enter **LPPRIMARY24** in the "add a promotional code" box
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## Dates for the diary



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### **Diary dates for Summer 2024**

*6th May - Bank Holiday*

*13th - 16th May - SATs week*

*17th May - Reception visit to Gruff Outdoor Learning*

*20th May - Year Group and Leavers photos*

*21st May - Sports day ( Reserve day - 2nd July)*

*w/c 10th June - Year 1 phonics screen/ Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check*

*11th June - Year 2 visit to Crown Farm Quarry*

*18th June - Year visit to Crown Farm Quarry*

*12th - 14th June - Year 6 residential visit to Menai*

*24th - 26th June - Year 4 residential visit to Trafford Hall, Chester*

*8th July - Year 6 Induction Day at Poynton High School*

*17th July - Open Evening 4.00 - 6.00pm*

*24th July - Year 6 Prom*

*26th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly*

## Community noticeboard



**Kings**  
1502

**'EXCELLENT' IN ALL AREAS**  
- ISI Inspection 2022

**THE SUNDAY TIMES**  
**SCHOOLS GUIDE 2024**  
**TOP 10 INDEPENDENT SCHOOL FOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE NORTH WEST**

# Year 5 Taster Day

Friday 28 June

(for Senior entry September 2025)

**TO BOOK:**  
[www.kingsmac.co.uk](http://www.kingsmac.co.uk)

Scan QR code to BOOK

- Experience Senior School lessons for a day
- Try a range of exciting activities including Science, Art, Design Technology, Music, Sports, etc.
- Explore our stunning Boscare campus in Prestbury
- Learn about our excellent academic results, pastoral support & small class sizes
- Find out about Bursaries and Academic & Music Scholarships

The King's School in Macclesfield, Alderley Road, Prestbury, SK10 4SP  
t: 01625 260000 | [www.kingsmac.co.uk](http://www.kingsmac.co.uk)

# School walk, not school run



SHOW THE  
**AiR**  
YOU CARE

Even children can make a difference to local air quality – with simple steps like walking to school instead of getting a lift. So we can stamp out air pollution and reduce its impact on people's health.

Show The Air You Care  
[cheshireeast.gov.uk/airqualityawareness](http://cheshireeast.gov.uk/airqualityawareness)

[www.cheshireeast.gov.uk](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk)





## Cheshire East SEND Partnership

### Parent Drop in sessions

**Is your child on the Autism / ADHD Pathway for  
diagnosis?**

**Would you like information and support whilst on this Pathway?**

Come along to one of our drop-in sessions at Oakenclough Family Hub and meet with professionals who can share guidance and support and answer any questions you may have...

Professionals from CAMHS, Education, Social Care amongst others will be available to signpost and give advice...



#### Where?

Oakenclough Family Hub  
Colshaw Drive  
Wimslow  
SK9 2FZ

#### When?

- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024 - 9am until 12pm
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024 - 10am-12pm
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024 - 3.30-6.30pm



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AllGood Cycling



## MACCLESFIELD BIKEATHON FAMILY RIDE!



**LOOKING FOR A VALUE FOR MONEY DAY OUT?!**  
**SIGN UP TO OUR 12 MILE FAMILY RIDE!**

**SATURDAY 11TH MAY 2024**

Starting from the Town Hall, Market Place, Macclesfield, SK10 1EA.  
Goodies on the day include free ice-cream, completion certificate, and more!

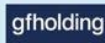
**SIGN UP AND FUNDRAISE FOR JUST DROP-IN!**

Register here!



Make it a sponsored ride here!

**A HUGE THANK-YOU TO ALL OUR SPONSORS!**



One Project Ukraine



## Poynton Rotary Club

(in Support of One Project Ukraine)



## Please Help Ukraine

Spring/Summer 24 donations urgently needed

\*\*\* If you would like to help/donate to the transport costs \*\*\*  
please email Poynton Rotary Member, Steve: Tatt71@hotmail.com\*\*\*

### Medical

Painkillers  
Multivitamins  
Antiseptic spray/cream  
First aid kits  
Burn & wound dressings  
All size bandages & tape  
Plasters  
Emergency blankets  
Sterile gauze dressings  
Israeli bandages  
Rehydration sachets  
Imodium  
Mouth antiseptic  
Water sterilisation tablets

### Food

Tea/Coffee (no glass)  
Packet food/pasta  
Tinned meat/fish/fruit  
Pot noodle  
Dried fruit/nuts  
Packet soup  
Sugar  
Salt & pepper  
Biscuits  
Chocolates/sweets  
Baby milk  
Protein bars  
Dried pet food

### General

Men's t-shirts/sweatshirts  
Men's sweatpants  
Men's trainers/boots  
Toiletries  
Sleeping bags  
Blankets  
Water purification tablets  
Candles/Torches & batteries  
Solar power banks  
Water bottles/thermos flasks  
Nappies & baby items  
Wet wipes  
Sun Tan Lotion  
Insect Repellent  
Packet Seeds

#### Drop Off Points:

- Vernon Primary School
- Lostock Hall Primary School
- Poynton Community Centre (please **ONLY** leave in the bright green bin down the side of the building – School Street side by Poynton Pottery)
- Poynton Methodist Church (Friday 9.30am–1pm and Sundays 11.30am)

Are you worried about how they are feeling?

DECREASING DEPRESSION

FREE TALK



May 14th 7-8pm

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE  
gives a one hour online talk explaining  
what we can do to reduce the symptoms of depression.

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk) go to PARENT page



# May 2024 Newsletter



CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.  
**National Standards CPD accredited sessions**  
All sessions booked & delivered online via [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Thursday  
2 May  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Anxiety Explained

Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

Monday  
13 May  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Autism: Improving Communication

Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Monday  
20 May  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Understanding the Teenage Brain

Improve your understanding and communication with your teen. Why they think, feel and behave very differently from adults.

Tuesday  
21 May  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Raising Self-Esteem

How to support healthy self-esteem in your children and yourself. Easy to apply interventions shared.

[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

[info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk](mailto:info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk)



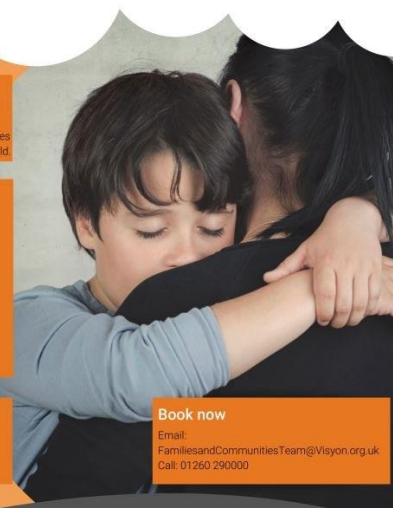
## Parent Workshop Helping Children Manage Worries and Anxiety

**What:**  
FREE 7 week programme for parents/carers of children aged 5+. This programme is evidence based and explores various parenting techniques which can be applied to support an anxious child.

**When:**  
Wednesday's at 10:30am - 12pm  
5th June  
12th June  
19th June  
26th June  
3rd July  
10th July  
17th July  
All 7 sessions must be attended consecutively to complete the course and benefit from the learning techniques.

**Where:**  
At Fellowship House, Park Road,  
Congleton, CW12 1DP

**Book now**  
Email:  
[FamiliesandCommunitiesTeam@visyon.org.uk](mailto:FamiliesandCommunitiesTeam@visyon.org.uk)  
Call: 01260 290000



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## Parent Workshop Impact of the Academic World

**What:**  
This workshop explores the pressures children can face at school, why school refusal can occur and special educational needs. We'll offer ways to support your child with their anxiety.

**When:**  
Wednesday 15th May 2024  
10.30am - 12.00pm

**Where:**  
At Fellowship House, Park Road,  
Congleton, CW12 1DP



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## Parent Workshop Understanding Self-harm

**What:**  
We'll look at ways to support children and young people who self-harm and break down some of the stigmas associated with self-harm and thoughts of suicide.

**When:**  
Wednesday 8th May 2024  
10.30am - 12.00pm

**Where:**  
At Fellowship House, Park Road,  
Congleton, CW12 1DP



**Book now**  
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## Parent Workshop Supporting your Child with Additional Needs

### What:

A 90 minute workshop helping you to identify your child's needs, understand their rights and how to access support

### When:

Wednesday 22nd May 2024  
10.30am - 12.00pm

### Where:

At Fellowship House, Park Road,  
Congleton, CW12 1DP

### Book now

Email:

FamiliesandCommunitiesTeam@visyon.org.uk

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