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Lower Park School

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Winning House

The winning house this week is RED House who may wear their own clothes to school on Monday.

Commendation Awards

Aoife S

Violet K

Molly L

Sienna S

Joey K

Jack A

Sam H

Oliver T

All of Year 3

Star Writer Award

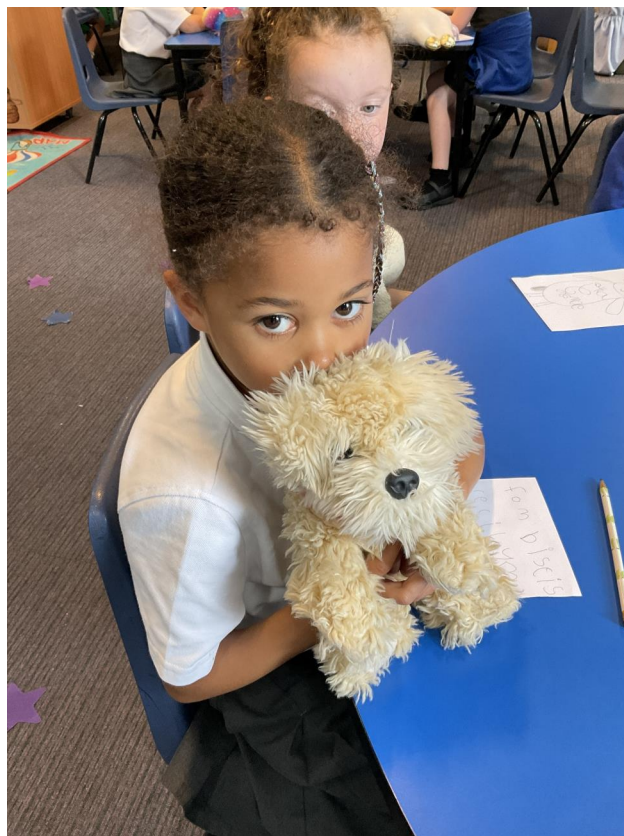
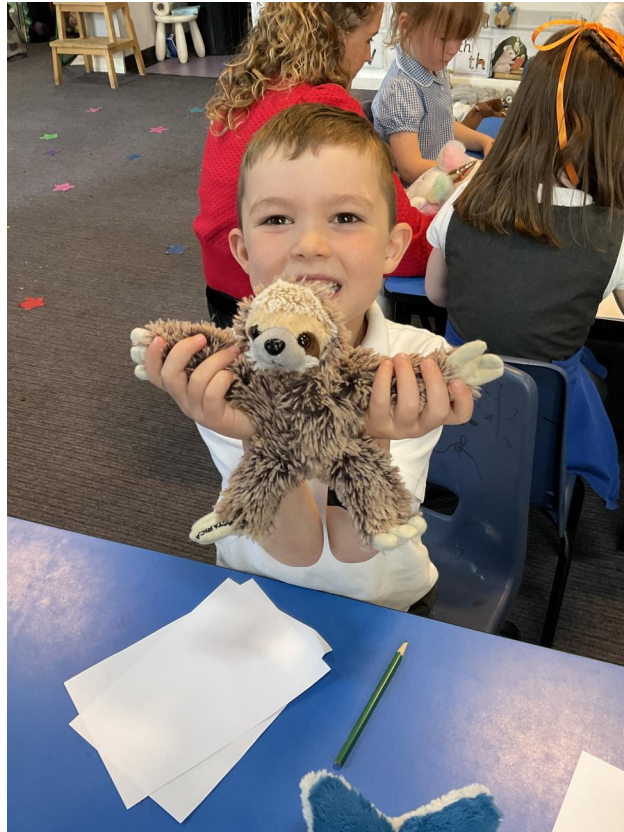
Charlie P

Reception

The children in EYFS enjoyed bringing their special toys into school to share with their friends this week. We talked about why their toys were important to them as part of our introduction to this half term's new text 'The sea saw' by Tom Percival. For Forest Friday the children were nature detectives, identifying different natural items, such as leaves, twigs, seeds and grass.







KS1

The children have had a great first week back at school. It was lovely to hear about all of their experiences over the half term. We have been continuing our learning on Explorers in History.

The children learned about the very famous explorer, Christopher Columbus. They were fascinated to learn that he introduced the Americas to Europeans in the 15th Century. We have started our new DT topic all about Pirates. We listened to a story about Pirates and evaluated positives about their lunch basket and things we would want to improve. This half term, they will design and make their own lunchbox for the pirates.

LKS2

This week, our budding chefs have kicked off an exciting new Design and Technology cooking topic, Savoury and Sweet! The children explored the wonderful world of herbs—discovering how they're used in everyday cooking, comparing fresh and dried varieties, and even taking part in a fun (and sometimes surprising!) taste test.

As well as learning about their uses in food, the children were fascinated to find out about the health benefits of different herbs—did you know mint can help with digestion, or that rosemary is great for your memory?

Armed with iPads, they explored our sensory garden, taking notes and snapping close-up photos of the herbs to support their learning. Their enthusiasm was contagious as they shared ideas for how we could use herbs in our cooking—we may have a few future food critics and chefs in the making!

We can't wait to see where their culinary curiosity takes them next!





UKS2

Year 5 have been incredibly busy this week with their end-of-year assessments, and we couldn't be prouder of how they've approached them—with hard work, perseverance, and a real determination to show what they're capable of. Well done, Year 5!

Alongside their assessments, the children have enjoyed some energetic afternoons preparing for the upcoming Poynton High School Sports Day. We've been practising our sprinting and middle-distance running, as well as having fun with traditional events like the sack race and egg and spoon. Excitement is building as we look forward to competing against other Poynton schools in just a couple of weeks!

Just-Ice Thank you



To all the children at Lower Park,
£! Thankyou so much for inviting us
into school for the Fairtrade
Assembly before half term & also
for your kind donations on the
non-uniform day. You raised a
great grand total of £193.40 and
this will help buy bus & train
tickets for the people we help in
the cafe who are recovering from
slavery. We are really grateful
for your help & support.
From Jo, Fran & all the team at
(Mrs Redman, Mrs Peppleton) Just-Ice

Just-Ice ice cream for sale Thursday 19th!

After school on Thursday 19th June, weather permitting, Just-Ice in Poynton are bringing Harriet the trike to sell a selection of ice-creams in a small tub for £2. These will be available for sale in the playground. Dairy free option will be available. Cash and contactless accepted.

Thank you for your support with our on-going community link with Just-Ice.

Year Group Photographs Reminder

Just a reminder orders must be placed by 9.00am on Monday 16th June

Attendance reminder

Our attendance is currently lower than usual. Our school attendance target is to be over 97% and thanks to everyone's hard work, we usually meet this target. Since April, our attendance has dropped to 96% and we have seen an increase in families taking term time holidays. Please can I draw your attention to Government guidelines relating to this and ask that holidays be taken during breaks unless in exceptional circumstances. "Parents have a legal duty to make sure children aged between 5 and 16 attend school regularly and arrive on time" We thank you for your support in this matter.

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING !



With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

Penalty Notices will be issued for

Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notice may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.



OFFICIAL

Autism Central Parents Session

*Autism Central are holding a further coffee morning session open to ALL parents. The focus theme for the sessions will be **holidays and days out**.*

Save the Date: Tuesday 1st July

9.30 - 11.30am

Marlborough Primary School

Theme: Holidays and Days Out

PTA Update

Summer Fair – Saturday 28 June

Two weeks to go... 70% of volunteer slots still to fill.

We can't do this without your help!

A huge thanks to those who have already done so but if not, please scan the QR code or click the link below to sign up for one or more 1-hour slots.



<https://signup.com/go/kJfzjrZ>

Gazebos

Can you lend us a gazebo for a day!?

We still need a few more gazebos to cover the stalls. These can be dropped off in advance or at 9am on the morning of the fair to suit you.

If you can help us out, please complete our form: <https://forms.office.com/r/WLtf3bzMUD>.

Raffle tickets

Tickets have gone out in bookbags today, with each family receiving 2 books (10 tickets) for selling to friends, family, neighbours or anyone else you like at £1 per ticket for the chance to win some amazing prizes.

Additional tickets available from the school office if required.

Upcoming collection dates (both own clothes days):

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- Thursday 19th June: new or used books and/or games for our new book and toy stalls*
 - Friday 27th June: bottles for the hugely successful bottle golf game!*
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Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Spring 2025

Wednesday 18th June- New Intake Story Time

Thursday 19th June: Own clothes for summer fair collection of new or used books and/or games for our new book and toy stalls

Monday 23rd June - New Intake Story Time

Friday 27th June - Own clothes for Summer fair collection of bottles for the hugely successful bottle golf game!

Saturday 28th June - Summer Fair

Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th July - Year 4 to Trafford Hall Residential

Monday 7th July - Year 6 Induction day at Poynton High School

Wednesday 9th July - New Intake Storytime

Wednesday 9th July - KS2 Performance - 1.30pm & 7.00pm

Thursday 10th July - KS2 Performance - 7.00pm

Wednesday 16th July - EYFS to Reddish Vale Farm trip

Thursday 17th July - Teddy Bears Picnic, details to follow

Thursday 17th July - Open Evening 4.00 - 6.00pm

Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd July - Bikeability for Year 6

Tuesday 22nd July - Year 6 Prom

Thursday 24th July - Bikeability for Year 4

Community noticeboard

An online talk by Jane Keyworth



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes, offering practical support and explaining more about this condition



June 23rd 7 - 8:30pm

Talks are recorded and available to watch for up to 48hrs after the session £24



Book online
facefamilyadvice.co.uk
go to **PARENTS**
on the **Homepage**



FACE July Timetable	
All sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours	
Understanding Anger	1 July 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	1 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	8 July 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	14 July 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	15 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	15 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Autism Improving Communication	22 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	22 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am



JULY 2025 Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK
Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each or FREE with a school membership code
Book Online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk on the PARENTS page



Schools can purchase a
FACE School Annual Membership
which means **ALL** parents and **ALL** staff
get unlimited **FREE** access to **ALL** 16 parent talks

Thursday
31st July
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Screens are here to stay.
Identifying the issues and step by step guide
to reduce the negative impact.

Monday
21st July
10:00 - 11:30
£24
recording available



Supporting a Child with ADHD
Challenging the stereotypes and giving
practical interventions. Clear explanation of
the condition in all its forms and extremely
useful advice.

Monday
28th July
10:00 - 11:30
£24
recording available



Facing Defiance

Specific strategy to help parents manage
defiant and challenging behaviour,
especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA
conditions, 5 to 12 years old.

Tuesday
29th July
10:00 - 11:30
£24
recording available



Anxiety Based School Avoidance

Understanding and supporting children
who are anxious about school.
Steps you can take to help them back
into the classroom.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Free MTB/BMX Event

in partnership with



Join us at Brecon Park, Poynton, SK12 1AU for some mountain bike and BMX fun. You must register in advance, see details below.

Under 12's must be supervised by an adult. A limited number of bikes and helmets are available, please bring your own equipment if possible. See you there.



AIR BAG JUMP
FOR AGES 10+

WHEN?

**8 AUGUST
2024**

10 AM - 3 PM

**REGISTRATION
AT**

<https://dirtfactory.co.uk/acceptance-of-risk/>



PUMP TRACK
FOR ALL AGES

WWW.DIRTFACTORY.CO.UK



MACCLESFIELD FC COMMUNITY SPORTS TRUST IN
PARTNERSHIP WITH POYNTON TOWN COUNCIL



FREE MULTISPORT ACTIVITIES

For ages 5-11

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

TAKING PLACE ON THE FOLLOWING
TUESDAYS FROM 4PM - 5PM

10TH, 17TH* AND 24TH JUNE
1ST, 8TH JULY AND 15TH JULY

*Session on 17th June takes place from 4:30pm - 5:30pm

POYNTON CIVIC HALL, OFF PARK LANE, SK12 1RB

