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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

Leo E

William B

Evelyn C

Reggie Q

Harriet P

Bella Mc

Evelyn T

Connie M

Ezra P

Charlie P

Jessica B

Alex TF

Theo S

Reception

The children in EYFS thoroughly enjoyed their art lesson this week. They used card, foil, string and pens to create colourful fish with shiny scales. They also had a lovely time outside with the year five and six children for Forest Friday. During our mini picnic, the children enjoyed some tasty snacks and party games. They had lots of fun spending time with the older children and played beautifully together!



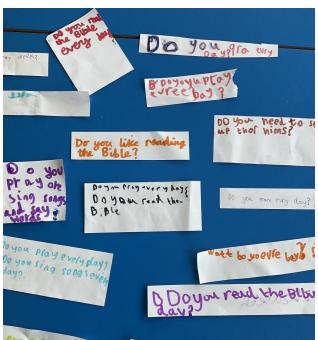


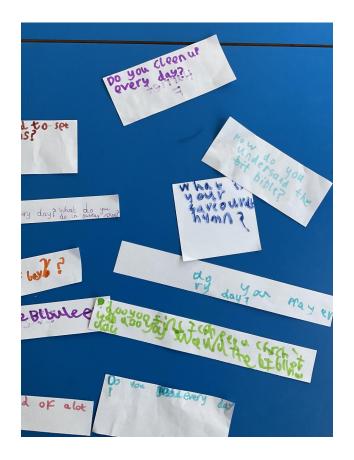


KS1

This week the children have enjoyed PE lessons. They have enjoyed team building activities like team tag. We have spoken about the need for team work in team sports like netball, rounders, cricket and football. In RE we are continuing to learn about the role of a Church leader. We wrote down different questions we would want to find out about the church and the role of Vicars/ Church leaders. The KS1 children are continuing to work really hard!







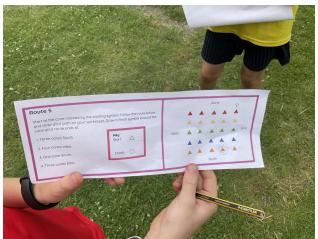
LKS2

This week in PE the children have been finishing their Outdoor Adventure Activities. We have been looking at map reading and following instructions to find our way to a destination. This first involved ensuring we had a sound knowledge of North, East, South and West before looking at North East etc. The children then had to use a route map to determine where the end point of the journey would be. The children did an excellent job and then moved on to designing their own route with instructions such as '3 steps north'. The children are also coming to the end of their work on the book 'Journey' in English and they have been working with their peers to check their retelling of the story, sharing ideas on how it can be improved.



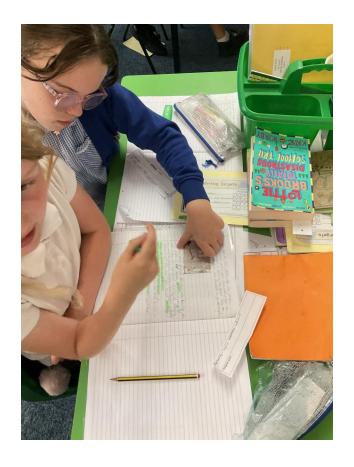












UKS2

Life is full of activity in UKS2 at the moment! In Science, the children have been exploring how plants reproduce as part of our topic on living things and their habitats, taking their learning outside to observe nature firsthand. On Monday, a group of Year 6 children visited the Poynton High School to take part in the UKMT Junior Maths Team Challenge, where one of our teams achieved a fantastic joint first place. Meanwhile, a team of Year 5 pupils represented the school at the annual Stockport Grammar School Maths Competition on Tuesday. Both groups undertook the challenges with great teamwork, enthusiasm, and focus. We're incredibly proud of how they represented the school — true ambassadors for Lower Park.

A particular highlight for Year 6 this week was accepting an invitation from their Reception buddies to join them for an afternoon of picnic treats and games. It is always lovely to witness the connections across year groups, and lots of fun was had by all!

Rehearsals continue for our Year 5 and 6 pupils as they prepare for Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. The performance is now just a couple of weeks away, and they're looking forward to sharing all their hard work on stage.











Manchester City Football Tournament

Today was the final of the under 11s football tournament at Manchester City. The team were taking part due to their brilliant performance in the earlier competition to earn their place in the finals. The finals were a league format against the winners and runners up from the previous rounds. Although it was tough and with some bad luck, the team registered a win and a draw and played in 6 very competitive matches. A few brilliant goals were scored too. Well done.





Poynton Show Art Competition Winners

We are very excited to announce that some children from Lower Park have won this year's art competition for the Poynton Show! There were 179 entries from 7 Primary schools in and around Poynton.

In Year 3, we have 1st Place winner: Lucas L and 2nd place: Rose H

In Year 4 we have 1st Place winner: Aoife S and 2nd place: Lara L.

Aoife has also won 'Best in Show'- well done Aoife!

Well done to all the children in Lower Park who entered. We were incredibly impressed by their artistic talent!



Motivational Mondays

Following last week's message regarding attendance on a Monday, I am pleased to report that our whole school attendance this week was 96.76% on Monday (the highest it has been this half term).

A special shoutout to Year 6 who had 100% attendance this last Monday.

If you are finding Monday mornings difficult, feel assured that we are here to support you. Please do contact either Mrs Lomas or myself to see how we can help- you are not alone.

Mr Poole



Sustainability Fortnight 30th June - 11th July

Halliard Sustainability **

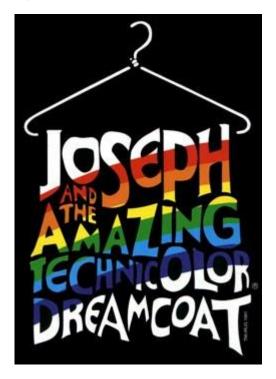
Over the next two weeks, our children will have the opportunity be getting outside and taking part in workshops and activities to increase their understanding of sustainability.

Some of the children will also join Mrs Lomas and other children from across the Trust to discuss:

- 1. Examples where they have taken part in activities to protect our natural world
- 2. Any future plans for sustainability
- 3. Whether they or any of their friends would consider a 'green career' and why

We look forward to hearing their views.

KS2 Performance - Joseph



KS2 Production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Our school has been filled with the sound of singing and the buzz of rehearsals as the children prepare for this year's KS2 production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

The whole team has been working incredibly hard, and we can't wait to share the results with you. It promises to be a joyful celebration of music, colour and teamwork.

Performance Times:

Wednesday 9th July 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm

Thursday 10th July 6:30 pm

Tickets will go live on School Spider survey from 6:00pm on Monday 30th June with a limit of two tickets per family and a choice of the performances. We will confirm your ticket allowance Friday 4th July. The actual tickets will be sent home with your child prior to the performances.

Arrangements for the evening performances: Y6 children to arrive at 6:00 pm and children in years 3, 4 and 5 to arrive at 6:15 pm.

Collection is at 7:45 from the playground at your usual pick up point.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Teddy Bears Picnic - 17th July



1 - Please click on the poster to see the menu

Assessment and reports

This year, Lower Park will be adopting the Halliard Trust Assessment framework. This is a four point scale designed to support the children to progress in the curriculum. The scale is as follows and there will be a reminder of this within the reports.

Successfully learning and remembering all or nearly all of the school's ambitious curriculum, demonstrating a strong understanding and application of the knowledge and skills taught (4)

Successfully learning and remembering most of the school's ambitious curriculum, demonstrating a good understanding of the knowledge and skills taught, although there may be some gaps (3)

Successfully learning and remembering some of the school's ambitious curriculum, demonstrating a satisfactory understanding of the knowledge and skills taught, although there may be a number of gaps (2)

Not successfully learning and remembering the school's ambitious curriculum, with important gaps in the skills and knowledge taught. Additional support required to access the curriculum.

Clarinet Ensemble to Perform at Congleton Town Hall

We are proud to announce that our clarinet ensemble will be representing our school at Congleton Town Hall as finalists in the Primary Schools Musical Competition. This is a fantastic achievement, and they have worked incredibly hard to reach this stage.

On Thursday, the whole school was treated to a special preview performance, where the ensemble showcased their brilliant talent. We are all extremely proud of what they have accomplished and look forward to seeing them shine at the finals.

Annual parent survey

Thank you to those who completed the Lower Park vision and 5 year plan. This survey is designed to gather parent feedback to identify our strengths and priorities. Please use the QR code or follow this link to give us your feedback. Your opinion matters!

Parent survey



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: 12pm – 3pm TOMORROW

The forecast is looking good and we can't wait to see you all at the summer fair tomorrow!

A huge thank you for all the bottle donations this morning and to everyone who has volunteered to help. We look forward to seeing which of you wins our fabulous hamper in our new volunteer draw.

Raffle

Not yet returned your raffle tickets? Don't worry, you can still do so at the fair tomorrow until 2pm for the chance to win some amazing prizes!

Fair parking

While we'd love everyone to come on foot/bike/scooter, we're aware that some people will need to drive to the fair. If doing so, please park considerately and don't block any driveways or dropped kerbs. Please also note that the school car park is out of bounds to vehicles for safety reasons.

See you all tomorrow!

Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Spring 2025

Saturday 28th June - Summer Fair

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

Thursday 3rd July - Year 3 One Adventure Day - Remember to bring your packed lunch

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

Wednesday 9th July - New Intake Storytime

Wednesday 9th July - KS2 Performance - 1.30pm & 6:30pm

Thursday 10th July - KS2 Performance - 6:30pm

Wednesday 16th July - EYFS to Reddish Vale Farm trip

Thursday 17th July - Teddy Bears Picnic, details above

Thursday 17th July - Open Evening 4.00 - 6.00pm

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

Tuesday 22nd July - Year 6 Prom 6:15 - see letter emailed today

Thursday 24th July - Bikeability for Year 4

Friday 25th July - Leavers Assembly 9.30am

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







FREE online talk



Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Screens are here to stay. What are the potential harms and how can we reduce them?

To book your place go to the **PARENTS** page (facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

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 falks 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 ecording 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



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

Mental Health First Aid

in "The Tram Shed" at Hickory's, Poynton SK12 1LQ

For parents and carers of young people aged 11-18 to help build knowledge and confidence to support their child's mental health issues.

Saturday 12th July 9am - 4pm

For all enquiries or to book a place, email: parenting@justdropin.co.uk





Sleep Workshop for Parents

We aim to support you in understanding why your child may be struggling to sleep, possible causes of sleeping issues and importantly, what you can do to help your child and family to get better sleep.

Available to parents of children aged 8-16 who live within the old Borough of Macclesfield (including Wilmslow, Poynton and Knutsford

Monday 30th June 5.30pm - 7:30pm 8 Church Hill, Knutsford, WA16 6DH

For all enquiries or to book a place, email: parenting@justdropin.co.uk







Parent/Carer Peer Support Forum

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person aged 8 - 18yrs old, living in Macclesfield,

Poynton, Wilmslow or Knutsford who is looking for some support when it feels like no-one else gets it?

Being a parent can be the best job ever, it can also be the hardest.

You don't have to feel on your own; "Just Support" is a monthly group run by Clare and Michelle, our Parent Carer Peer Support Workers with lived experience of challenging times, who can offer a listening ear in a safe and non-judgmental space to share your questions, concerns and experiences, or help you navigate mental health services for children and young people.





