

Parent Bulletin – Friday 22nd March 2024



We've had another great, eventful week at Low Moor! Yesterday morning, we enjoyed a whole school Easter Worship in school, led by Rev. Albert and joined by Mr and Mrs Hardy and Mr and Mrs Twentyman.

We would like to share the lovely prayer that Rev. Albert also shared with the children yesterday:

God, we gather here today with open hearts and grateful spirits, seeking your blessing upon these pebbles. As these small pebbles rest in our hands, may they become vessels of your love, joy, and wisdom.

Bless each pebble with kindness, that as they are carried away by the hands of children, they may serve as a reminder of the beauty found in simple acts of love.

May these pebbles be a source of comfort to those who hold them. May they spark imagination and creativity, in all who are searching for peace, justice, joy and love. Give these pebbles the power to connect us to each other, as they pass from hand to hand. May they create bonds of friendship and community that endure through time.

We ask for your blessings upon those who receive these pebbles. May they be filled with joy, curiosity, and a sense of belonging. May they carry your blessings into the lives of all who hold them.

As we take our pebbles with messages of love and hope, travel with us on the journey so that we may be your eyes, your ears, your voice your hands and feet. Amen.

Following the Easter service, all the children delivered their friendship stones to our local cenotaphs – The Guidepost, Low Moor and Harold Park. If you have chance to visit these over the holidays, you will hopefully be able to see the children's wonderful creations. Thank you to our PTFA volunteers who were able to support with the walks yesterday, and to our friends at

Aldersgate Methodist Church, as this project originated from them and would not have been possible without their kind support. Please see our Twitter/X page @LowMoorCofE to see more photographs of the children's wonderful creations.





And of course, this week has seen the return of our eggs-citing Easter egg competition! We've had some eggs-cellent entries this year, the children have eggs-celled themselves which has made it eggs-tremely difficult to judge! There were lots of prizes given out, all the winners were announced

yesterday. Well done to everyone who entered.





May we take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely Easter holiday. Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support.

This Week's Whole School Attendance

Week Commencing: 11th March 2024		
Class	Attendance	Number of Late Marks
R Sparkle	99.33%	1
R Shine	98.67%	0
1 Amaze	96.67%	4
1 Dazzle	98%	0
2 Endeavour	98.67%	0
2 Flourish	96.55%	0
3 Discover	97.33%	1
3 Imagine	97.59%	2
4 Explore	96.67%	0
4 Believe	95.33%	2
5 Inspire	97.24%	2
5 Unite	96.07%	0
6 Vision	97.67%	0
6 Challenge	98%	3

Well done to **R Sparkle** for achieving the highest attendance last week and well done to the classes who arrived on time every day.



Please ensure your child gets to school every day, on time!

Please be reminded that holiday requests during term time cannot be authorised.

This Week's Online Safety Article

Supporting children and young people with SEND

Internet Matters have a great range of guides and advice hubs available for parents of neurodivergent children including connecting and sharing online, online gaming and more. You can access all the guides here.



"While every child and young person's experience of the online world is unique to them, based on research, there are some online risks that children with SEND may be more likely to experience.

In the guides, you'll find practical tips on how to approach conversations about these potential risks to stop them from turning into harm. We've also provided links to other expert resources that can help and tools that are available to create a safer digital space for children to explore and interact."

(Source: Internet Matters)

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying

Please see the resource at the bottom of the bulletin – A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying' which includes links and resources that you may find useful.

Ambassador Awards

Well done to the following children who have won our prestigious Ambassador Award for this half term!

R Shine	Dottie
1 Amaze	Kendall

R Sparkle	Ollie
1 Dazzle	Carter

2 Endeavour	Freya
3 Discover	Jack J
4 Believe	Poppy
5 Inspire	Jude
6 Challenge	Aimee

2 Flourish	Renae
3 Imagine	Brodie
4 Explore	Finlay
5 Unite	Willow
6 Vision	Hajera

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This Week's Notices and Reminders

Turn on the Subtitles

You may already have heard about a new literacy campaign TOTS – Turn on the Subtitles. This relatively new campaign is trying to raise awareness amongst parents that turning on the subtitles for their children will improve their literacy, in many cases, dramatically.

"Turning on quality subtitles means your child will read a staggering number of words. Put them on and your child will read the equivalent number of words that are in all the Harry Potter books, all of the Lord of the Rings, all of the Chronicles of Narnia and everything Roald Dahl wrote, combined!

Research has shown that it can double the chance of your child leaving school as a proficient reader.

Perhaps, after all, there is a magic button..."

For more information on TOTs, please visit https://www.turnonthesubtitles.org/

Emilia's letter to the Prime Minister

Well done to Emilia, in 4 Explore, who recently took the time to write to the Prime Minister! Emilia wanted to share her concerns, after a lesson on deforestation and the impact on Orangutans and their habitat. In response, Emilia received a comprehensive letter from 10 Downing Street! Click here to read the letter in full. Very well-done to Emilia for demonstrating such compassion and care!

Out of School Activities

Please see the end of the bulletin for some activities taking place during the Easter holidays.

Previous Notices and Reminders

New School Menu and Price Increase

From Monday 8th April we have a new school menu which can be viewed <u>here.</u> Once again, this is a 3-week rotating menu which will run until November 2024. For a more comprehensive menu, including full allergen information on the dishes provided visit schoolmeals.bradford.gov.uk.

We have also been notified by FM Catering that there will be a small increase in the price of a school meal, from £2.25 to £2.35. This will take effect from Monday 8th April.

If your child is in Year 3 or above and you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please complete the short form on the <u>Bradford Council website</u>. Children who receive free school meals are also eligible for other benefits including school uniform allowance, free school milk, one free after school club and/or breakfast club sessions.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive Universal Free School Meals, however, you may still apply via the form above. If you are successful, you will receive the benefits outlined above, as well as free school meals when your child enters Year 3.

<u>Homework Expectations UKS2</u>

In Year 5 and Year 6, children will receive homework each week and this will be issued on a Wednesday. In order to prepare them for secondary school effectively, we need to instil in our pupils a sense of responsibility and independence in relation to homework. Therefore, your child's homework should be returned to school by the following Monday each week.

We acknowledge and understand that on occasions your child will forget their homework, therefore children will have a second opportunity to bring their homework on the Tuesday. If homework is not completed each week by the Tuesday, your child will be expected to complete their homework during Wednesday break time.

Thank you in advance for your support with these measures.

Foodbank Donations

Beginning next week, every Wednesday, we will be accepting foodbank donations on behalf of Holy Trinity church, to support them with their ongoing work collecting for the local foodbanks. We will have a drop off point outside the main office, before and after school, all donations will be gratefully received. Thank you in advance.

<u>Urgently needed food items:</u> tinned potatoes, tinned cooked meat, long life juice, treats (crisps, chocolate, sweets, tinned fish, sponge puddings, tinned soup, custard, toiletries (male & female deodorants, shampoo, washing up liquid, soap powder and toilet rolls, shaving foam)



We've got plenty of: pasta – thank you!

P.E. Timetable for the Spring Term

During the spring term, P.E. lessons will take place on the following days:

Monday	Year 5 and Year 1
Tuesday	Year 2, Year 4 and Year 5
Wednesday	Year 2 and Year 3
Thursday	Year 1, Year 3 and Year 6
Friday	4 Explore and Year 6

Please ensure your child has a named P.E. kit in school. Children in Years 1 to 6 need an outdoor P.E. kit (burgundy or grey tracksuit, white t-shirt and outdoor trainers).

New Email Address

The school office has a new email address - office@lowmoor-ce.uk

The year group email addresses have also changed to the following:

EYFS	YR@lowmoor-ce.uk
Year 1	Y1@lowmoor-ce.uk
Year 2	Y2@lowmoor-ce.uk
Year 3	Y3@lowmoor-ce.uk
Year 4	Y4@lowmoor-ce.uk
Year 5	Y5@lowmoor-ce.uk
Year 6	Y6@lowmoor-ce.uk

Low Moor Little Library

A reminder that everyone is welcome to use our Little Library at the main entrance of school. Children and parents are welcome to take a book home, share it, read it together and then return it for others to enjoy! We have included some new books for adults too, please come along and choose one!



Upcoming Dates

Monday 8th April	Return to school
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Friday 19th April Year 4 Showcase for parents at 2.30pm (more info to follow)

Friday 19th April Family Movie Night 5.30pm – Peter Rabbit 2 Friday 26th April Year 5 Showcase for parents at 2.30pm

Friday 26th April Family Movie Night 5.30pm – Trolls-Band Together

Monday 6th May May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)

Monday 13th May Year 6 SATs Week

Friday 17th May Year 3 Showcase for parents at 2.30pm (more info to follow)

Thursday 23rd May Break up for Spring Bank Holiday

Tuesday 4th June School re-opens

Friday 14th June Year 6 Showcase for parents at 2.30pm (more info to follow)

Tuesday 18th June

Year 3 and Year 4 Sports Day (morning)

Wednesday 19th June

Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Day (morning)

Thursday 20th June

EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day - 1.30pm

Friday 21st June Summer Fayre

Friday 28th June Year 2 Showcase for parents at 2.30pm (more info to follow) Year 1 Showcase for parents at 2.30pm (more info to follow)

Thursday 18th July Break up for Summer Holiday

Monday 22nd July Family Visit to Bridlington

Church Matters

Holy Trinity Church Website: https://www.lmando.org/

Palm Sunday, Sunday 24th March:

09.30 - Early Church at Holy Trinity

11.00 – Morning Worship at Holy Trinity

Maundy Thursday, Thursday 28th March:

10.00 - Coffee morning in the church centre, all welcome

19.00 - Service of Holy Communion hosted at Holy Trinity, presented by Aldersgate Methodist Church.

Good Friday, Friday 29th March:

13.30 - Outdoor reading of Mark's gospel at Holy Trinity (weather permitting)

Easter Day, Sunday 31st March:

10.30 - Holy Communion at Holy Trinity.

Please also see the posters at the end of the bulletin for events taking place over Easter.

Contact Rev. Paul Deo: Landline: 01274 968001

Mobile: 07785 317316

Email: pauldeo.work@yahoo.com



Aldersgate Methodist Church

Every Sunday

10.30 - Worship and children's session.

On Sunday evenings Alderdgate share in worship with the other churches in the Circuit as shown in the <u>Circuit Plan</u>.

Weekday Activities:

Monday

10.00 - Low Moor Papercraft Group

Tuesday

10.00 - Time out (crafts, games, chat) (Weekly)

14.15 - Bible Study (1st Tuesday in month)

14.00 - Darby and Joan

Wednesday

10.00 - Fortnightly. Memory Tree- for people living with dementia and their carers

14.00 - Ladies Friendship Circle – alternate weeks

Thursday

19.30 - Peer talk – for people living with depression

Saturday

10.00 - 12.00 - Coffee Morning - alternate weeks

Contact Rev. Albert Gayle: Telephone: 01274 675370

Email: albert.gayle@methodist.org.uk





Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying







Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

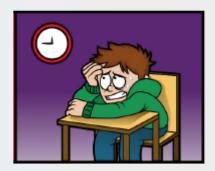
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipsed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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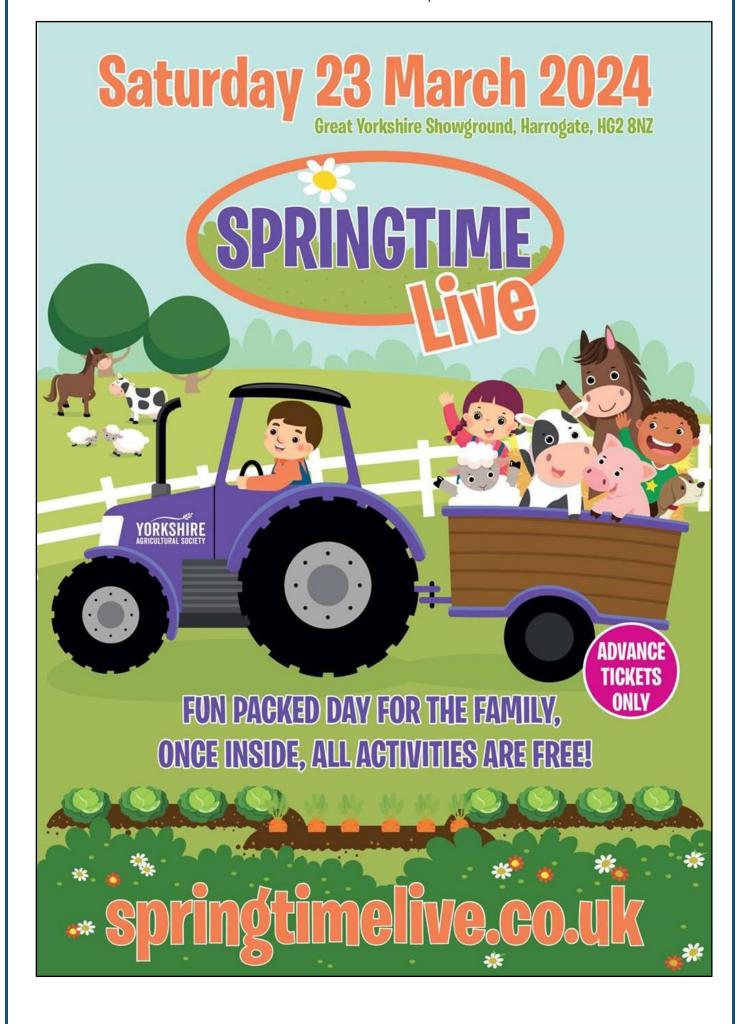






Skips

www.skipssafetynet.org





Join us for our fun Easter camp and take part in sports, dance, arts and crafts that will keep your children entertained. Our camps also promotes social skills as we set challenges for groups and loads of friends to be made.

Tues 2nd - Fri 5th April 9am - 1pm

Odsal Stadium, Stadium Road, BD6 1BS







