## THE MESSENGER



6th October 2023

Issue No: 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who attended the parent/teacher target meetings both in person and via school. If you were unable to attend, please call the school office to rearrange your appointment. These meetings are so valuable in supporting your child and seeing how they are progressing.

Last week, our Year 6 children went to Stanley Head outdoor education centre. All of the children had a wonderful time and made memories that will last forever. As always, they were great ambassadors for our school with their fantastic attitudes and behaviour — thank you and well-done Year 6! Mr. Hodgson too said how brilliant you all were and we are very proud of you.

Over the past few weeks a number of children have represented our school at sporting events such as cross country and football tournaments. A huge thank you and well done to all the children who showed not only great skill, but more importantly great sportsmanship. Well done children!

Last week we also held our Macmillan Coffee morning. We were again overwhelmed by the generosity and support that we received. A special thank you to those who also volunteered their time to help out. A grand total of £297 was raised through the coffee morning and the bake sale after school. Many thanks for all your support. This year all of the children also had a coffee morning in class. The children prayed to give thanks for those who work for the charity and to ask God to look after those supported by it.

On a final note, I would like to share the parental feedback from the questionnaire in the summer. All feedback is greatly appreciated and I will look forward to sharing developments that have come from the feedback with you in the near future.

Thank you for your continued support and I do wish you all a lovely weekend! Mrs S. Rathbone

Next week the discipleship team will continue to lead the Rosary club every Monday, Wednesday and Friday during October at 8:15am.

All are welcome to attend.





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## Diary Dates



### <u>October</u>



Children & parents welcome to Rosary Club every Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8.15am 6th - KS2 Collegiate Lionesses 5 a side 13th - Year 4 Inspire Workshop 1.15pm 19th - Year 3/4 Sarehole Mill 19th - PTFA Disco 19th - KS2 Cross Country 20th - Year 5/6 Mixed Handball

#### November

8th - Flu Vaccines (Reception to Y6)
9th - Year 5 Biddulph Fire Station
16th - Parent Maths Session 2pm
17th - Watch Me Learn—Reception to Year 4
23rd - Foundation Stage Open Day 2pm and 6pm
24th - year 5/6 Watch Me Learn
29th - Individual, sibling and family photos

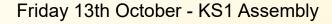
#### P.E. Schedule





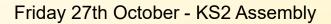
Foundation Stage - Monday and Friday KS1 - Monday and Wednesday Year 3/4 - Monday and Friday Year 5/6 - Monday, Swimming

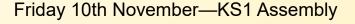
#### Celebration Assemblies - Fridays at 2.30pm





Friday 20th October – Year 5/6 Assembly







#### **AUTUMN TERM—2023**

Half Term Monday 30th Oct to Friday 3rd November INSET Day (School closed to pupils) Monday 6th November School closes Tuesday 7th November Friday 22nd December



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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	Head Teacher`s Award	Reader Award	Goldfinch Award
15/09/2023			
Foundation Stage	Katie Parry	Samuel	Emily Burgess
KS1	Bobby Booth	Maisie Mason	Betsy Finn
Year 3/4	Cody Lewis	Roman-Blue Power	George Clack
Year 5/6	Aiden Dodds	Tiana Cleverley	Miami-Rose Power
22/09/2023			
Foundation Stage	Jack Oakes	Jeremy Opoku	Aria-Brave Asplin
KS1	Jack Penkethman	Harry Ankers	Louie Conway
Year 3/4	Aubrey Howell-Shaw	Rojin Mohammad Panahi Selseleh	Zachary Morna
Year 5/6	Evie Merry	Dario Gattuso	Elaya Oakley
29/09/2023			
Foundation Stage	Beatrice Elliott	Wendy Benton	Samuel
KS1	Bradley Laud	Eve-Lynn Thomas	Isla Merry





Did you know that Our Lady of Grace is a referrer for the Stoke-on-Trent Food Bank?

Any of our families in need of support can contact Mrs McGough in the school office to request help obtaining a voucher.



#### Well done to.....

Olive Tomkinson—Swimming Star Certificate

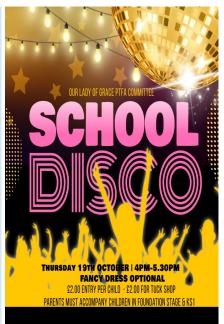
Children from KS2 who took part in an orienteering event

All children who have taken part in Cross Country

Children from KS2 who have taken part in Football Tournaments









Please share your positive views about our school on Parent View <a href="https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/">https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/</a> Thank you for your support.

# Reminders to Parents



- School Uniforms—Our full uniform range is now available at Supersport, High Street, Tunstall or
  online at <a href="www.supersport.co.uk/schoolwear.html">www.supersport.co.uk/schoolwear.html</a> The school office carries elastic and normal ties,
  water bottles and a small stock of other uniform items. Please order via Scopay.
- ♦ School Dinners Nursery Meals are £2.40 per day Reception & KS1 meals are free Years 3/4/5 & 6. meals are £3.10 per day Menus are on the School Website.

#### **Breakfast Club**

from 7.30am £4.50 (Late or no booking £9.00) from 8.00am £2.50 (Late or no booking £5.00)

Children must arrive no later than 8.15am

If your child is at Breakfast Club for the full week the Friday session will be free.

All sessions must be booked and paid for at least one week in advance.

#### **Care Club**

Mon-Fri 3.00pm-5.45pm - Snack included

Care Club First Child; from 3.00pm to 5.00pm £5.00 from 3.00pm to 5.45pm £7.50

Care Club Siblings; from 3.00pm to 5.00 £3.00 from 3.00pm to 5.45pm £6.00

Late or no booking up to 5.00pm £10.00 Late or no booking up to 5.45pm £15.00

All sessions must be booked and paid for at least one week in advance.

Unattended pre booked sessions will still be charged.

Please note the school has a strict no smoking policy on its grounds. This includes

E-cigarettes or any other nicotine based products.

If you see anyone on the school premises when the school is closed please call the police on **101** and report the incident.

Thank you for your support and cooperation

Would Parents and Carers please note that dinner money is payable in advance and should either be paid online via your child's Sco pay account.

**ABSENCE ....**IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL YOU MUST EITHER telephone school on 512644, report the absence via Studybugs or email office@olognewman.co.uk

**BEFORE 09.30am stating the reason for absence.** 

You must also send a letter or email detailing the dates and the reason for their absence on your child's return to school as this is required by Education Welfare.

If you require this document in any other format please contact the office.