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Lightcliffe CE Primary School Newsletter

This term's Christian Value is:

Justice



'Our purpose is to do what is right, not only in the sight of our Lord, but also in the sight of one another.' 2 Corinthians 8.21

Attendance

Whole school attendance to date: 95.6%

This academic year our target is 97%



Visits to church

This week our Y2 classes visited St Matthew's Church as part of their RE work. The Easter season began with our Ash Wednesday service lead by Rev. Kathryn Buck in school and today the whole school have also held their Easter Service at St Matthew's ahead of Holy Week, which was attended by our Chair of Governors, Mr Monroe, with an Easter blessing given by Rev. Buck. May we take this opportunity to wish all our school family a very happy Easter and a restful break.



RE Day

Ahead of Holy Week, we welcomed visitors from Hand to Mouth who led KS2 worship and class workshops relating to the Easter story. Feedback from the children was very positive and some were able to comment upon the calmness of their activity. Many enjoyed their experience of stillness and spirituality, whilst learning more about the Easter story.

OOSCAL Competition

Well done to the children that took part in OOSCAL's Monsters & Mythical Creatures competition. The winners were: Chester in KS1 and Jessica in KS2.

Year 5 Residential Visit to Robinwood

On Wednesday, a tired and weary group of children returned from their adventures at the Robinwood Activity Centre in Todmorden. They had challenged themselves to undertake outdoor adventurous activities and everyone survived the infamous 'Piranha Pool'. They were a credit to our school throughout the trip. A huge thank you goes out to the staff who organised and supervised the trip, encouraged and supported the children to overcome a variety of challenges and settled them at night.



Mrs Dunkley



Mrs Hustler

Upcoming Events

Friday 22nd March – School closes for Easter
Monday 8th April – School opens for Summer term
Friday 12th April – Autism and Neurodiversity Non-Uniform Day
Tuesday 16th April – Y1 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Monday 6th May – School closed (May Day)
Tuesday 7th May – Class Photos
Thursday 9th May – Y4 Trip to Jorvik Centre
13th – 16th May – KS2 SATs

Inspiring and flourishing together

Parking Wardens

Following the notice in last weeks' newsletter about parking complaints received by the Lower Valley Neighbourhood Coordinator, we noticed that Parking Wardens were patrolling outside school this week. We continue to ask that parents and carers park safely and respectfully, so that we maintain good relationships with our neighbours. Thank you.



Annual Music Concert

Last Friday, we hosted our annual music concert at Lightcliffe Academy.

The event was, as always, a fantastic mix of soloists and groups performing at their individual best. From beginners to more accomplished performers (and even some dads), we were entertained by the wide range of musical talent evident in our school. The pupils take music lessons with peripatetic teachers from Calderdale Music Trust, and some are also involved in our school orchestra who play for us in our Friday Celebration Assemblies. Our Y6 four-piece rock band, Underage Against the Machine, had the audience head-bobbing to their cover of the Red-Hot Chilli Peppers' hit Dani California, followed by our school choir who closed the event with songs from The Greatest Showman.

The children showed immense courage, determination and commitment and, from novice to expert, demonstrated how as musicians they have the opportunity to flourish through the inspirational guidance and teaching of Mrs Webb and the music teachers from the Calderdale Music Trust.

If your child is interested in playing a musical instrument, please click the link below to find out more about lessons in school from Calderdale Music. [Music Lessons - Calderdale Music](#).

We are already looking forward to next year.



World Down Syndrome Awareness Day

Yesterday we welcomed an array of bright socks to show our awareness of Down's Syndrome. Thank you to everyone who took part in wearing their best and brightest socks!

Autism Awareness Day

National Autism Awareness week 2nd – 8th April. We shall be holding a non-uniform day in school on Friday 12th April with donations going towards resources to support pupils with neurodiversity in school.



Summer Term 1

April	8	Monday		School opens
	12	Friday		Autism and Neurodiversity Non-Uniform Day
	16	Tuesday		Y1 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
May	6	Monday		School closed - May Day
	7	Tuesday		Class Photos
	9	Thursday		Y4 Trip to Jorvik Centre
	13 - 16	Mon - Thurs		KS2 Statutory Assessments (SATs)
	22	Wednesday		Reception trip to Tropical World
	23	Thursday		Y3 Trip to Creswell Crags
	24	Friday		School Closes for Half term