

# Weekly Bulletin

*After School Clubs – Week Commencing 05 November 2018*

Activity	Day	Time	Activity	Day	Time
Wind Band	Monday	3:15-4:15	Multi Skills (Y4)	Monday	3:30-4:30
Choir	Thursday	3:15-4:15	Chess Club	Friday	3:15-4:15

Dear Parents,

The Christian 'Key Words' for this half term are: **Resilience**, **Respect**, **Kindness** and **Koinonia**.

## ATTENDANCE FOR WEEK COMMENCING 15 OCTOBER

Last week 11 classes achieved over 97% attendance and the top 3 classes were:



1<sup>st</sup>: Y6 Miss Parkinson 100%

2<sup>nd</sup>: Y5 Mr Wildgust 99.4%

3<sup>rd</sup>: Y5 Mrs Schoon 99%

Overall attendance for the 2018-19 school year up to the end of last week is 97.46%.

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Jessica Francis School of Dance** - A huge 'congratulations' to all the students from Lightcliffe who performed in the first ever dance show for the Jessica Francis School of Dance last weekend. The students involved, from Reception upwards, performed dances in a range of disciplines including ballet, cheerleading, tap, acro and jazz in front of a full house for two performances on Saturday 20th Oct. They confidently navigated choreography, stage make-up, professional lighting and costume changes to put on two fantastic shows for family and friends. Well done to all.



## SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018-2019

(report from Miss Bourne)

146 children from years 3 to 6 took part in our school Cross Country Championships over the last few weeks. The year 3 & 4 children ran approximately 900m and the years 5 & 6 ran approximately 1500m. Any the children who didn't run in their year group race were involved as race officials, guiding the runners around the course.



The children who signed up to run may have done so to aim to make the top 10 and get into the school team or it could have been to challenge themselves to take part and complete the race or even to have fun - hard to believe for cross country, I know!!!!

There were some amazing performances at both ends of the spectrum, with endless amounts of resilience, which makes me incredibly proud of all the children who took part.

	YEAR 3		YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6	
	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS
1	Sophie Denman	Lucas Arnot	1. Poppy Nicholls-Parker	Harry Rome	Harleigh-Rose Wooding	Ethan Settle	Lois Hague	Daniel Shepherd
2	Hannah Burlinson	Teddie Stead	Emily Vann Stewart	Harry Dalzell	Kadeigh-Mai Wooding	Isaac Morley	Aoife Curran	Chester Gately
3	Evie Varley	Samuel Paget	2. Ava Lord	Harry Wright	Alice Burlinson	Noah Steeples	Edee Shaw	Rico Feltham
4	Esme Burdin	Harry Johnson	3. Immy Moss	Issac Wallman	Poppy Barnes	Elliot Stewart	Liberty Earle	William Robinson
5	India Gately	Danny Ball	4. Heidi Edmondson	Josef Fitzgibbon	Phoebe Johnson	Eben Lea	Georgia Kitchen	Oliver Fearnley Heath
6	Sophia Moyles	Jack Parry	5. Lilly Connor	Ollie Summers	Charlotte Briggs	Ellison Tiplady-Clegg	Elicia Ramsden	Bentley Shute
7	Hollie Webb	Daniel Pearson & Sohan Singh	6. Coco Elkington	Jacob Wood	Portia Mitchell	Charlie Howard	Arabella Bancroft	Matthew Davey
8	Freya Waddington	Lewis Denman	7. Erin Casey	Alec Butterworth	Amelia Whittaker	Austin Brining	Libby Bailey	Ethan Burston
9	Penny Law	William Sweeten	8. Amelia Zamolska	Luke Barrowcliffe	Charlotte Simon	Lucas Magee	Emily Peel	Evan Brady
10	Lola Halpin	Dan Webb	9. Faye Bell	Monty Ramsden	Olivia Stafford	Jaimie Shaw	Matilda Patchett	JJ Ward



**DINNER MONEY PAYMENTS** — If you are in arrears with dinner money payments, you will have received text messages and letters to remind you of the outstanding balance. A reminder to please ensure that you clear any outstanding debt before we close for half term. Thank you.

**UNIFORM** - Parents may be interested to learn that you are now able to order school uniform online from our supplier Frank Harrison. Click the [link](#) for further information.

**PARENT LETTERS** — From after half term, all letters sent home to parents will also be available to view and/or download from our school Facebook page.

## Candlelighters

Together we **Can** fight childrens cancer

**FUN RUN!** — Don't forget our Fun Run which takes place tomorrow. Each year group will go out during the school day to aim to stay moving for their year group's allotted amount of time. We are holding this event to officially launch the use of our activity track which was put down in June and to raise funds for the Candlelighters children's cancer charity. Children can come to school in non-uniform that is suitable for them to complete their running in and also wearing silly wigs and hats, if you have them. They **MUST** wear trainers/pumps that are safe to run in.

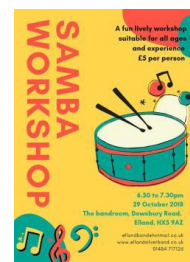
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We have chosen Candlelighters as they have been so supportive of one of our pupils over the past few months. However, we are delighted to let you know that Anais Stainthorpe (Year 2) has recently been given the all clear after a long battle with this awful illness. We have set up a Just Giving Page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lightcliffeprimary>. The link is on the school website so that you can donate if you wish. You can also send any cash donations into school via the plastic wallets in the classrooms. We hope you feel this is something you can support. Thank you.

**LUNCHBOXES** — As you will know, we like to encourage healthy eating at school and I would ask that you are mindful of the rules concerning packed lunches. Please do not send your child with sweets, chocolate bars or anything containing nuts, which are not permitted for health and safety reasons. Carbonated drinks are also not allowed. Thank you.

**SAMBA WORKSHOP** - On Monday 29 October, between 6.30 and 7.30pm Elland Silver Band are holding a fun and lively drumming workshop for all ages. This will be at Elland Silver Band, Spa Well, Dewsbury Road, Elland, HX5 9AZ. No experience necessary. If you would like further information, please contact 01484 717126.



**SURE START** - Sure Start Children's Centres, North Halifax Partnership has published the Autumn Newsletter which includes information about the family learning courses that are taking place September — December 2018, along with the accredited courses on offer. It also includes their What's On Guides, which shows the weekly groups on offer across the Children's Centres and services provided by partner agencies. Download further information [here](#).



**BOOK FAIR** — This will take place from Monday 12 November — days and times to be confirmed later. This is a great opportunity to buy a few Christmas presents and raise funds for the school at the same time! The books will be available for sale, although orders can be taken. The Book Fair News sheet and further information will be sent home soon.

**WORLD WAR 1 COMMEMORATION** - We are hoping to create a special piece of artwork to commemorate the centenary of WW1 ending. We would like you to begin saving the bases of round clear plastic bottles — any size will do. Please wash them, cut them off the bottles and then send them in to your child's class. Look at this video to see how it's done: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwvmqJKXoAgw>.



Thank you! We hope you will see the stunning result of this Art project in the next few weeks.

**SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES** — I would like to remind parents of children in Year 6 that the closing date for applications is 31 October 2018. Further information can be found on the [Calderdale Website](#). If you require any help or further advice, please contact a member of the office staff.



## SCHOOL GROUNDS REMINDERS –



Please remember that smoking, vaping and dogs (with the exception of assistance dogs) are not permitted anywhere on school grounds. This includes the drive and planted area down to the black gates (see image on the right).

If you wish to secure your dog in order to collect or drop off your child, please use the grassy area by the staff car park (see image on the left). You may also use this area if you wish to wait with your dog until your child leaves school.



I have had reports of children being 'nipped' by dogs and this is understandable as the dogs are bound to be excited by all the children leaving school at the same time.



**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER** – Our school photographer will be coming on 5 November to take pictures of your children. Proofs will be sent home shortly afterwards. As always, you are under no obligation to purchase anything.

**STARTING SCHOOL** – We have an open evening for parents who may be interested in their children joining us in the Reception class from September 2019. This will be held on Wednesday 14 November at 6.30pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend and no appointments are necessary. **Mr Paul and his team will be providing food samples for parents and friends to try so take care not to fill up with your dinner!**



Applications open on 19 November 2018. To apply for a school place, you must apply online by 15 January 2019 at [www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions). If you do not have internet at home, facilities will be available at Calderdale's Customer First Offices in Halifax and also at Calderdale libraries. Assistance with the process can also be sought at the Customer First Offices or on 01422 392617. You may also contact our school office team who will be delighted to help you. If you would like a leaflet about applying for a primary school place, please contact school and register your child's name. The 'Admission to Primary School' booklet 2019 is available on the council website at <https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/education-and-learning/schools/admissions/process> or can be viewed at your local library or in school. The offer of places will be made on 16 April 2019.



**PFSA SCHOOL DISCO** — The PFSA have very kindly organised a disco for the children in years 1 to 6. This will take place on Friday 9 November with Y1, Y2 and Y3 from 6.00pm to 7.00pm and Y4, Y5 and Y6 from 7.15pm until 8.15pm. **There are still a few tickets available, however numbers are strictly limited.** You can buy tickets from the school office, or if you send the money with your child in an envelope marked 'Disco' and your child's name and class, the ticket will be sent home with your child.

Please note that on this occasion our Reception children are not able to attend. They will, of course, be invited once they have been in school a little longer. Thank you.

**HOLIDAY CLUB** — 'Early Years at Lightcliffe' is now running a holiday club for children age 2 - 11 years. Full days (8am-6pm) and shorter days are available. Places are still left for October half term. For more information contact Sam on 01422 207830, [earlyyearslightcliffe1@gmail.com](mailto:earlyyearslightcliffe1@gmail.com) or at Christ Church, Leeds Road HX3 8NU.

**SOCCER SCHOOL** — The Huddersfield Town Foundation is running a half-term soccer school at Brighouse Juniors FC, Broad Oak Park, Hove Edge, Brighouse HD6 2PB. The sessions will run from Mon 29 October to Fri 2 November 10am-3pm at a cost of £12 per day or £50 for the full week. To book, please call 07741 671061 or 07741 671062.

**LIFESTYLE** – The Better Living Team will be visiting school on Monday 26 Nov (KS1) and Tues 27 Nov (KS2) to deliver **Better Living** school health days. These days cover a variety of lifestyle topics to educate the children on how to become fitter and healthier and encourage them to make good choices in terms of nutrition and exercise.

We would like to offer parents a chance to come and speak to us on the day (times TBC) to ask any questions they may have about what free support is available in Calderdale. Did you know you can access:

- 👉 Better Living weight management and exercise classes
- 👉 Activity cards/activity vouchers
- 👉 Alcohol reduction service
- 👉 Lifestyle sessions?
- 👉 Slimming world vouchers
- 👉 Stopping smoking service
- 👉 Pre & post-natal mums classes

Eligibility criteria apply but all of the above are free to Calderdale residents! By pre-booking and attending the parents' session you will automatically receive 8 free activity vouchers (1 pack per family) so why not come and chat to us about how the Better Living Team can support you and your family? At the Parents Evenings held in October we will have lots of information available for you to take away. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact The Better Living Team on 01422 230230, or contact school. Further information on how to book will be sent home once times have been confirmed.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**– Once again, as a school we will be supporting the charity 'Operation Christmas Child'. Your child has brought home the information you need to 'build a box'. Boxes can contain small items such as: toy cars, yo-yos, skipping ropes or small balls, pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks, paper or perhaps a solar calculator, colouring books and picture books. Also, non-liquid hygiene items such as toothbrushes, soap, washcloths etc. Little extra items could include a T-shirt, socks, hair clips or torches (with batteries). The only items that are not allowed are toothpaste, sweets and anything connected with gambling e.g. cards, dice or dominoes. We hope that this is something you will be able to do together over the half-term holiday. We have a small number of plain shoe boxes still available. If you would like one of these, please contact the office. For further information on this appeal, please follow this [link](#).

**FRIENDS OF CROW WOOD PARK** are holding a FREE event, the Great War Exhibition, commemorating the end of WW1 and life in the area at the time. The official opening by the Mayor of Calderdale will be on Saturday 27 October, 11:00am. Subsequently the exhibition will be on Saturdays and Sundays, 11:00am-3:00pm until Sunday 11 November when there will also be a Service of Remembrance at 10:45am at the Memorial Gate. You can enjoy learning about some of the local soldiers, see memorabilia of the time and learn that Crow Wood Park used to have its own hospital! For up to date information call Bob Galtrey on 07718 261007.

**LIGHTCLIFFE BONFIRE AND FIREWORK EXTRAVAGANZA** — This will be held on 27 October, gates opening at 6pm. There will be a licensed bar, food, and a great evening's entertainment. Please bring your friends and enjoy the display to music. Advance tickets available from Brian Reeves on 07973 909672.



School closes tomorrow for the half term break and re-opens on Monday 5 November. A reminder that the clocks go back on Sunday, so you'll get an extra hour in bed!

Please remember to pay any outstanding dinner money as soon as possible. Thank you!

Charles Woodbridge

Headteacher