



# NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026

## A MESSAGE FROM MRS PRICE

Dear Parents/Carers

What a fantastic week it has been! At the end of our first week of OPAL lunchtimes, I am so proud of the changes we have made and how the children have responded to them. Watching them play everything from dressing up, dancing, building dens, rolling in tyres, playing various sports and games, getting to involved in arts and crafts has been a delight. They have shown a great sense of responsibility, working together to tidy up all the equipment at the end of play in record time so that we can enjoy as much play time as possible. This is still only the first stage of OPAL and we have lots more areas planned to develop. In the next couple of weeks this includes a music area, a messy cafe and an 'enchanted forest'. Watch this space!

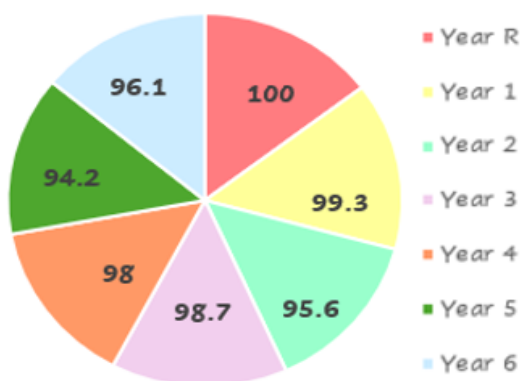
This week we have also sent out packs to the children who will be joining us in September's Reception class. We cannot wait to meet you all and welcome you into our school family.

Have a great weekend.  
Mrs Price

### ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE AND LATES OUR OVERALL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS 96.9%

This weeks attendance winners are Reception  
Well done to everyone in Reception, you collectively made 100% attendance this week.

Percentage Attendance



Number of Children Late



### Goodbye Mrs S!

Today we are sad to say goodbye to the lovely Mrs Samoila, or Mrs S as the children like to call her. Mrs S has been an absolute ray of sunshine in our team for almost 3 years now, working in Year 3, 4 and 5 and most recently in Reception. She is the most kind and caring person you could wish for to work with your child and she will be greatly missed by us all.

Mrs S leaves us to work in a local nursery and they are so lucky to have her.

Thank you for much for all your hard work and exceptional care Mrs S!





### THIS TERM'S HOUSE POINTS

#### STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception Keanu  
Year 1 Grace  
Year 2 Bahaa  
Year 3 James  
Year 4 Eliza  
Year 5 Oliver N  
Year 6 Issac

#### ACTIVE LEARNER NAME

Reception Amber  
Year 1 Ivy  
Year 2 Charlie  
Year 3 Melanie  
Year 4 Jack  
Year 5 Ayesha  
Year 6 Gracie

	BIRCH 416
	CHERRY BLOSSOM 474
	CEDAR 497
	OAK 438

### Sponsored Tough Runner Event

Each class has a slot for their session and we would LOVE it if you could come along and cheer your child on as they take part.

Every child should have received a sponsor form so that they can try to collect some sponsorship - anything you can manage is greatly appreciated. If everyone manages a little, together we can manage a lot! Sponsor money can be sent into school in cash, or paid via the Go Fund Me page: Fundraiser by Sarah Price : Help us create a sensory room in school

## Dates for your diary!

W/c 11th May	SATs week
Friday 15th May	Junior runner event for all children
Wednesday 20th May	Sports Day Year 3 - 6 A.M Reception - Year 2 P.M with a family picnic over lunchtime
Thursday 21st May	YR1 trip Martin Mere
Tuesday 2nd June - Thursday 4th June	Year 6 residential to The Anderton Centre
Friday 5th June	Reception trip to Blackpool Zoo
Wednesday 10th June	Lancashire Sings for Year 4
Wednesday 10th June - Thursday 11th June	Year 5 Residential to Gulliver's World
Friday 19th June	Father's Day Breakfast
Tuesday 30th June	Year 2 trip to Smithill's Farm
Wednesday 1st July	Year 3 visit to Hindu Temple
Thursday 2nd July	Summer Fair
Tuesday 14th July	Year 6 show at 2.00pm and 6.00pm
Thursday 16th July	Year 6 Awards Night at 6.00pm
Friday 17th July	End of Term

A number of concerns have been shared about parking outside school. A reminder that The Astley car park is available so that you can park safely before seeing your child into school. There have been a number of occasions when cars are parked on the zig zags or the grass verges. This is dangerous. It restricts visibility of drivers leaving the school car park and means that vehicles are in places that should be safe for our children. I have shared these concerns with local PCSOs, but ask for your co-operation to help keep all our children safe.

## Sports Day

Confirmation that we are holding our sports day on Wednesday 20th March, weather permitting.

Year 3 - 6 will start at 10.30am

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will start at 1.30pm.

All families are encouraged to come along and support the children taking part, and there is always the opportunity to take part in some of the grown up races!

This year, we would love to invite all families to come along and join us over the lunchtime period and join us for an OPAL picnic! This will give you the chance to share a picnic lunch with your child(ren) and also see our OPAL lunchtimes in action. This will take place from 12.15pm - 1.15pm. Children have the option to bring their own picnic lunch, or have one provided by school in place or a regular school lunch. Adults will need to bring their own lunch, along with picnic blankets, camping chairs etc if possible.

We hope you are able to join us.



*'I love getting to go onto the field and roll about in tyres!'*  
Lacey Year 6



*'I love the fact that we can go into the forest school area - it is such a fun place to play!'*  
Elita Year 6



*'I like digging with sticks!'*  
Zayden Year 2



*'I love going super fast in the tyres and going upside down!'*  
Arianna Year 4



*'I love OPAL because I like playing with all the equipment.'*  
Charlie Year 4



*'We LOVE the new playtimes! I love bouncing on the pogo stick!'*  
Muna Reception

*'We like playing on the timber trail and dressing up.'*  
Hattie and Hallie Year 2



*'I like the fact there are loads of spaces to play and loads of things to play with and that's amazing!'*  
Tilly Year 4



*'I like OPAL play because it's really fun and there are lots of different activities for us to do!'*  
Aitana Year 4

