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The winning house this week is Green House who may wear their own clothes on Monday.

Commendation Awards

Maddie H

Luca R

Seb B

Tom B

Ava M

Ava PG

Ambar G

Freyja M

Amelia W

Reception

As part of science week, we read 'The Gingerbread Man' and investigated what would happen to the Gingerbread Man if he went across the river without the fox's help. The Gingerbread Man went soggy, and we enjoyed finding out if this could happen to other biscuits too. We also enjoyed a visit from the Dogs Trust and a Dinosaur workshop. What a busy and exciting week!







KS1

This week, we have enjoyed finishing off our bunting on the characteristics of the UK. Thank you to all of the parent helpers that gave up their time this week, it is greatly appreciated. The children really enjoyed the activity and were very pleased with their finished product! In RE, we started our learning on The Easter Story. We looked at Palm Sunday and Jesus' arrival to Jerusalem. We thought about how we would greet Jesus if he was alive today. The children had some lovely ideas. We have also taken part in many science week activities, we completed an investigation: 'Which biscuit would make the best dunker?' and we had a dinosaur workshop and a dogs trust workshop in the hall. It has been lots of fun!









LKS2

This week has been Science Week and LKS2 have been helping the teachers with their lunch time brews. The teachers were getting fed up with breaking biscuits when dunking them into their cups of tea so they wanted to know 'What is the ideal temperature of tea for dunking a biscuit?' To do this the children came up with several measures to ensure this was a fair test such as keeping the biscuit, the volume of water and container the same. We also made sure the biscuit was dunked for a consistent amount of time. Once this was established, we counted the number of dunks and found that the hotter the water, the quicker the biscuit disintegrated. So our results suggested that a warm cup of tea is better for dunking than one of about 50 degrees C as this would lead to breakages quite quickly.







UKS2

This week has been packed with exciting enrichment opportunities. It started with a visit from Mrs. Hardacre, a dance teacher at PHS, who taught a dance session to the Year 6 children. They choreographed a dance inspired by basketball, incorporating the rhythmic bounce of the ball and the skills intrinsic to the game. Their final pieces were fantastic.

Meanwhile, as Lower Park embraced Science Week, the children became palaeontologists, delved into the depths of history through the discovery of various fossils. They engaged in lively discussions about the eras in which these fossils were unearthed and the creatures they once belonged to. The highlight, undoubtedly, the opportunity to interact with a pet dinosaur!

Adding to the excitement, we welcomed a visit from the Dogs Trust, who discussed caring for these pets, learning about their senses and the different jobs that they undertake in the community.

The whole school was also involved in determining the 'Best Biscuit to Dunk'. Each year group approached the challenge uniquely. Reception discussed the fate of the Gingerbread Man if he crossed the river without the fox's assistance. Key Stage 1 delved into the diverse world of biscuits, exploring their shapes, sizes and structure using their senses to describe each type. Lower Key Stage 2 investigated, 'What is the optimal tea temperature for biscuit dunking?' Whilst Year 6 examined how biscuit thickness and content impact the number of dunks achievable. Of course, no investigation would be complete without taste-testing and then using our knowledge to design the ultimate dunkable biscuit.



















Robinwood Residential Year 5

Wow! What a fantastic and incredible experience our Year Five children had during their recent residential trip to Robinwood Activity Centre. They had a brilliant few days filled with excitement and teamwork. From the moment we arrived, the children immersed themselves in a whirlwind of activities, each one more exciting than the last. They tackled challenges head-on, showing remarkable determination and resilience. Whether it was navigating the piranha pool, soaring through the air on the zip wire, or conquering the high ropes course, every moment was met with enthusiasm and a spirit of adventure.

Throughout the trip, our children demonstrated impeccable behaviour and worked together brilliantly as a team. They supported one another through every challenge, encouraging and cheering on their friends every step of the way. It was heartwarming to witness the camaraderie and friendship amongst them. In addition to the adrenaline-pumping activities, our children also enjoyed delicious meals, fuelling their bodies for the next day's adventures, and slept soundly each night, ready to tackle the next day.

Although photos can capture only a glimpse of the fun and excitement, they certainly convey the joy and laughter shared by all. We encourage you to look at the snapshots of our visit and share a little in the excitement.

We are immensely proud of our Year Five children for rising to the challenges, supporting one another, and making memories that we hope will last a lifetime.















Staffing

A warm welcome to Mr Schofield, our new site manager who will be joining Lower Park on Tuesday. Please say hello if you see him on the gate.

A very, very fond farewell to Mr and Mrs Malpas. We wish them all the best for a restful and well earned retirement. They will be hugely missed by the whole Lower Park community.

Staff achievements and celebrations

Three of our Lower Park staff, Mrs Marshall, Mrs O'Hara and Mrs Grady took part in the Poynton 10k last Sunday. It was a tough course but they all completed in good times, still smiling at the end. Well done!!

In three weeks, Mrs Grady is running the Manchester marathon for Young Epilepsy. If you are able to support this worthy cause, any donations would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/jude-grady-1699798072796?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fjude-grady-1699798072796&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share



Uniform

*Please see the reminder below about our school uniform. We are noticing that a number of children do not have their PE kit in school or that kit is not in line with our uniform policy. In the interest of hygiene and fairness for all, please support children to have the correct PE uniform in school as follows: **PE kit** – house colour top with **plain** black or navy tracksuit bottoms, leggings or blue shorts*

School hoodies may be worn for PE and during school trips for extra warmth



Poynton School uniform (PSU of Poynton Ltd)

This can be ordered online from www.lowerpark-uniform4you.co.uk

You will be asked for a password which is: Hazelbadge1

Our school's uniform



A blue jumper or cardigan with the Lower Park logo

A plain white polo shirt or optional logo polo shirt

Plain blue jumpers and cardigans are accepted



Plain grey skirt, skort, trousers, shorts or blue gingham dress or shorts in the summer months.

Black or grey socks or tights and white socks with summer dresses



PE kit – house colour top with plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms, leggings or blue shorts

School hoodies may be worn for PE and during school trips for extra warmth.

Plain black shoes or plain black trainers:

Suitable shoe styles:



Unsuitable shoe styles:



Where possible jewellery should not be worn- exceptions may be made for the wearing of jewellery for religious reasons after discussion with the head teacher.

Elan Homes

As a school we are in constant communication with Elan Homes regarding issues on the road such as timing of deliveries, state of the road, parking to name but a few.

If you wish to provide feedback regarding your experiences on the road please contact Elan directly, the more feedback they receive will help them to know better where improvements need to be made. The contact details are:-

Elan Customer Care

0345 481 8805

customercare@elan-homes.co.uk

Communication from the PTA

PTA Fashion Show - 26th April

PTA Fashion Show - Doors open at 6.30pm. The show starts at 7pm-10pm. Tickets priced @ £15 each. This includes entry, a glass of wine and a cheese board. We have an amazing line up of fabulous ladies clothes, a fantastic raffle with some really special prizes, fun games and lots of entertainment. A night not to be missed!!

Please complete the school spider survey to reserve your ticket/s.

Summer Fair

Planning for the summer fair will start after the half term and we would love to invite as many of you to get involved at this early stage. The fair hasn't been held for a number of years and we're excited to see what we can do. If you would like to get involved grab Shauna Silcock (Y1 & Y3) or Amy Billing (Y1) at pick up/drop off to ask any questions or find out more.

Save the dates - details for these events will follow

11th May - Bingo night

18th May - Plant sale

23rd May - Disco

29th June - Summer Fair

Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Spring 2024

25th April - Academisation meeting Fallibroome MAT

26th April PTA Fashion Show

Free MTB/BMX Event

in partnership with



Join us at Brecon Park, Poynton, SK12 1AU for some mountain bike and BMX fun. You must register in advance, see details below.

Under 12's must be supervised by an adult. A limited number of bikes and helmets are available, please bring your own equipment if possible. See you there.



WHEN?

12 APRIL
2024

10 AM - 3 PM

REGISTRATION
AT

<https://dirtfactory.co.uk/acceptance-of-risk/>



AIR BAG JUMP
FOR AGES 10+



PUMP TRACK
FOR ALL AGES

WWW.DIRTFACORY.CO.UK



INSPIRE
the love of football

EMPOWER
with knowledge & experience

ELEVATE
through challenge & opportunity

APRIL 2024 HOLIDAY COURSE

2 WEEKS:

Week 1 (4 days): Tues 2nd - Fri 5th April

Week 2 (Full week): Mon 8th - Fri 12th April

WEEK 2:

**VERNON
PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

GRASS PITCHES

MEDALS & PRIZES To Win

Join us at our 8BY8 football course. Open to players of all abilities with different style days to choose from. **Advanced Technical** days and **Football For All**.

FOOTBALL FOR ALL (BOTH WEEKS)

Fun based football course with games, competitions and lots of match play. Open to players in reception to year 6

ADVANCED TECHNICAL DAYS

Individual development focused days with scheduled practices delivered with academy detail (*Not available first week).

COURSE TIMES:

Drop Off From: 9.00am	Half day:
Football Start: 9.30am	9.00am to 12.00pm /
Day Finishes: 3.30pm	12.30pm to 3.30pm.

Wraparound: Early drop-off 8.00am £5 (Both weeks) / Late pick-up 4.30pm £5 (2nd week only)

AGES AND DAYS:

U6- U8: Tuesday	Drop Off From: 9.00am
U9- U11: Wednesday	Football Start: 9.30am

Wraparound care: Early drop-off from 8.00am (£5.00 extra) / Late pick-up to 4.30pm (£5.00 extra)

Full day	Half day	Full week
£20	£12	£85

1 Day
£30



[@8BY8Football](#) [@8BY8Football](#) [/weare8BY8](#)
 Email: info@8-by-8.co.uk // tel: 07903 766116 (Office number)
WWW.8BY8FOOTBALL.CO.UK

Scan this QR Code to book: 

MTLFC







FREE football for girls
aged 5-11

Wednesday evenings,
6-7pm

The Macclesfield
Academy



POYNTON
Sports Club

**FUN FOR
ALL THE
FAMILY**

BINGO!

Evening

**5.30-7.30PM - SATURDAY
23RD MARCH**

EYES DOWN, LOOK IN!.....JOIN US FOR
AN EXCITING EVENING OF BINGO

- PRIZES FOR ROWS, FULL HOUSE
- BAR OPEN ALL EVENING
- MEMBERS & NON MEMBERS WELCOME
- £2 PER PERSON (children under 5 are free)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK A BINGO TABLE CONTACT
clubmanager@poyntonsports.com
or call 07984 526 534

www.poyntonsports.com

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Poynton • Stockport • SK12 1AG
Club Manager - Jane Williams 07984 526 534



POYNTON
Sports Club

Ever thought of taking up BOWLS?

FREE Bowls Taster Day
Saturday 23rd March 2024
10am to 3pm

Free for everyone to come and play and have fun. For all ages. Experienced bowlers will be coaching on the day.

Contact Jane for more info or just turn up on the day!

£20
for the
4 week
session

Bowls Coaching
From Saturday 6th April
to Saturday 27th April
10am to 12noon

4 weeks coaching by experienced bowlers



Open to all ages. Flat shoes must be worn.

www.poyntonsports.com

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Club Manager - Jane Williams 07984 526 534



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Sports Club

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QUIZ NIGHT

POYNTON SPORTS CLUB

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8pm

FRIDAY
22ND MARCH

JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OF QUIZZING
MAX 6 PEOPLE PER TEAM (£3 per person)

GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON!

BAR OPEN ALL EVENING

MEMBERS AND
NON MEMBERS WELCOME



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March 2024

Newsletter

FACE it!



The CPD Standards Office
CPD PROVIDER: 22649
2024-2025
www.cpdstandards.com

Available to book now!

Approved CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.

National Standards CPD accredited with certificate

Monday
18 March
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Autism: Improving Communication

Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Tuesday
19 March
19:00 - 21:00
£24



What is ACT?

An introduction to Acceptance and Commitment Therapy
A different approach to supporting Anxiety, Anger, OCD & Neurodiversity

Thursday
28 March
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Supporting a child with ADHD
challenging the stereotypes and giving practical advice

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

self-esteem underpins all that we do



Raising Self-Esteem

Jane Keyworth gives a two-hour online talk

Tuesday 26th March 7-9pm

Book Online £24 facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Are you aware of teenage brain development
and how it impacts on behaviour?



Understanding the Teenage Brain

"Every parent and teacher should hear this...."

Mr Mead, Headteacher at Lytchett Minster School, Dorset

Two-hour online talk **25th March 7-9pm**

Book Now £24

facefamilyadvice.co.uk



April 2024

Newsletter

Happy Easter...summer term bookings
happening now!



Approved CPD training for anyone who works with
children or teenagers.

**National Standards CPD accredited
with certificate**

Monday
29 April
19:00 - 21:00
FREE



Helping kids back into school
School refusal is a growing concern.
This session looks at why it is occurring
and offers supportive ideas to assist
parents.

Tuesday
9 April
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Cannabis Awareness
Still on the increase, are you able to
talk to young people about this drug?
Get the facts and the confidence to be
able to have the conversation.

Thursday
18 April
19:00 - 21:00
£24



**Understanding Addictive
Behaviour**
Screens, gaming, social media.
What is happening to the brain and
body and how can we control it.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

New Date

Prices Held!



Macclesfield Model Railway Exhibition

20 – 21 April 2024

Sat 10am – 5pm; Sun 10am – 4:30pm

Tytherington School

Manchester Road, Macclesfield, SK10 2EE

Adults £9.00, Accompanied Children FREE (under 16)

All Major Cards Accepted

Free Parking / Level Access

Free Vintage Bus Service

Full Details at: www.macclesfieldmrg.org.uk



29th April 7-8pm

Come and join us online, we're talking about

Helping kids back into school



FREE

Book online facefamilyadvice.co.uk
go to the PARENT page



Cheshire East SEND Partnership

Parent Drop in sessions

**Is your child on the Autism / ADHD Pathway for
diagnosis?**

Would you like information and support whilst on this Pathway?

Come along to one of our drop-in sessions at Oakenclough Family Hub and meet with professionals who can share guidance and support and answer any questions you may have...

Professionals from CAMHS, Education, Social Care amongst others will be available to signpost and give advice...



Where?

Oakenclough Family Hub
Colshaw Drive
Wimslow
SK9 2FZ

When?

- Thursday 4th April 2024 - 9am until 12pm
- Thursday 9th May 2024 - 10am-12pm
- Thursday 20th June 2024 - 3.30-6.30pm



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