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Lower Park School

Lower Park News 7th March 2025

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Winning House

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

Communication Update

As we continue with our communication transition onto Bromcom, the next step is to launch the MCAS app next week.

From Monday, all emails and messages will now come via the MCAS app.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up. Please be aware that you might miss important notices without the app.

The next step will be to move to Bromcom payments, and we will keep you informed of the go-live date.

Thank you all for your support.

Commendation Awards

Luke M

Thomas M

Joseph W

Sophia B

Oliver O

Joshua C

Wiktorija S

Holly B

Chloe C

Star Writer Award

Marley M

Reggie P

William V

Bobby O

Molly L

Reception

The children have all risen to the challenge of dressing as an interesting word. The variety of exciting words in EYFS has amazed us! It was been a fun day sharing stories, playing lots of letter games, building and decorating words. We have all learnt some new words this week.









KS1

The children have had a fun packed week with many different activities. In history we have been continuing to look at how shopping has changed over the past 50 years. The children observed that packaging was different. 50 years ago lots of cardboard and string bags were used. Today we have many items that are packaged in plastic. The children also had a fantastic World Book Day dressing up as different words. They were very articulate explaining their words to the class. They loved the book, 'The Dictionary Story' and were able to do some super writing activities, look in dictionaries and play word games. We had so much fun!

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Alice the alligator ate
a big apple.



Bb

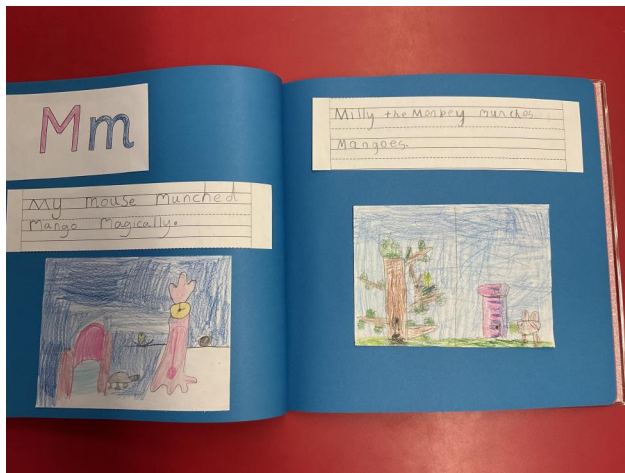
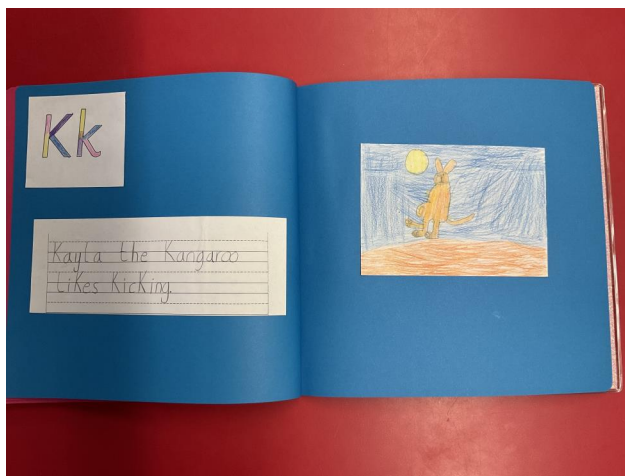
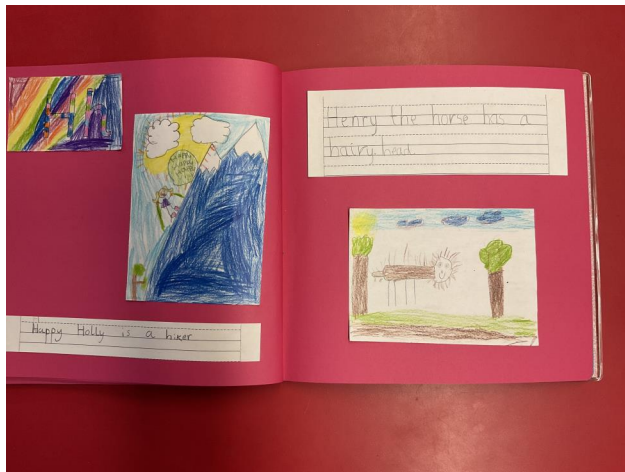
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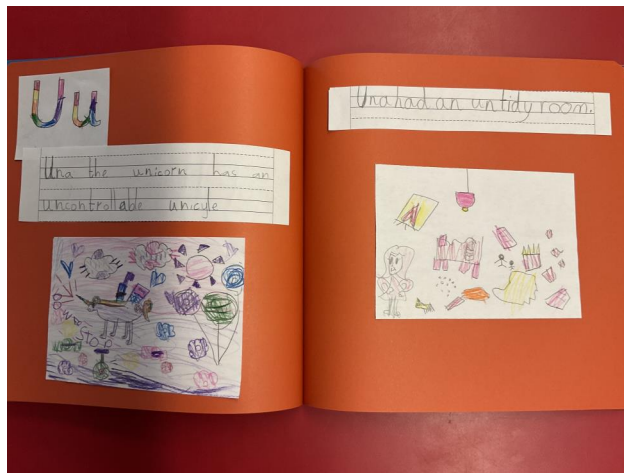
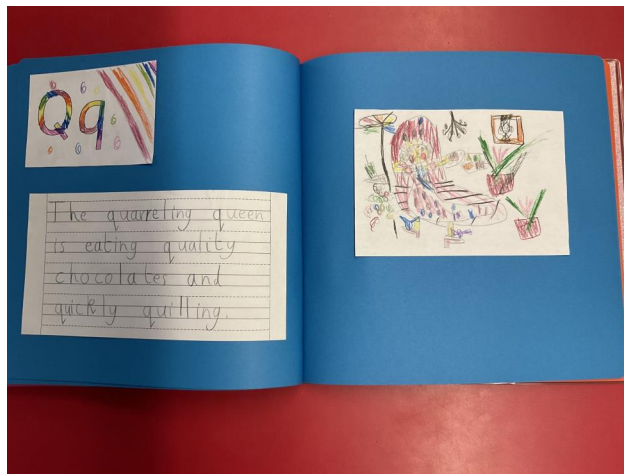
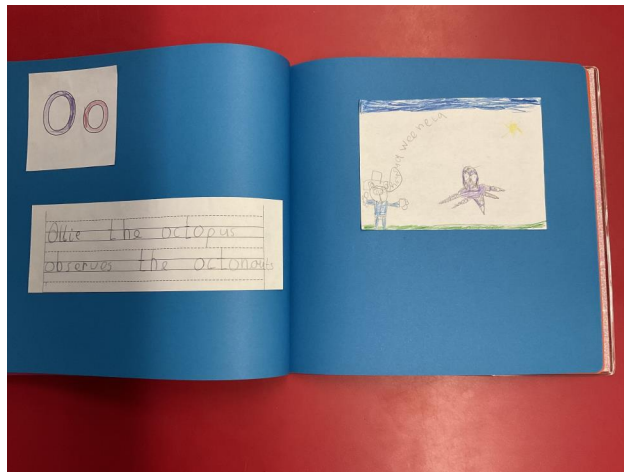


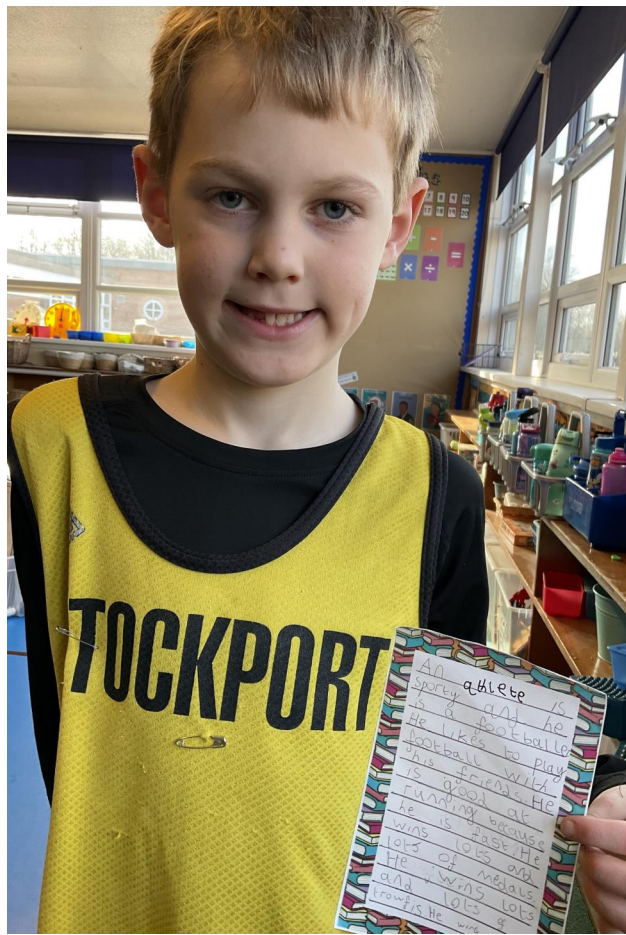
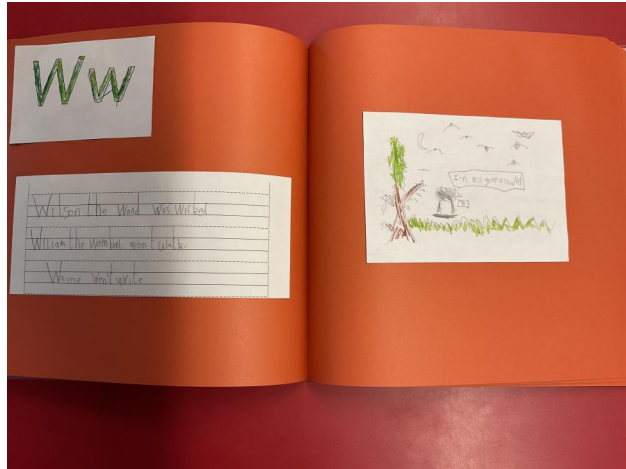
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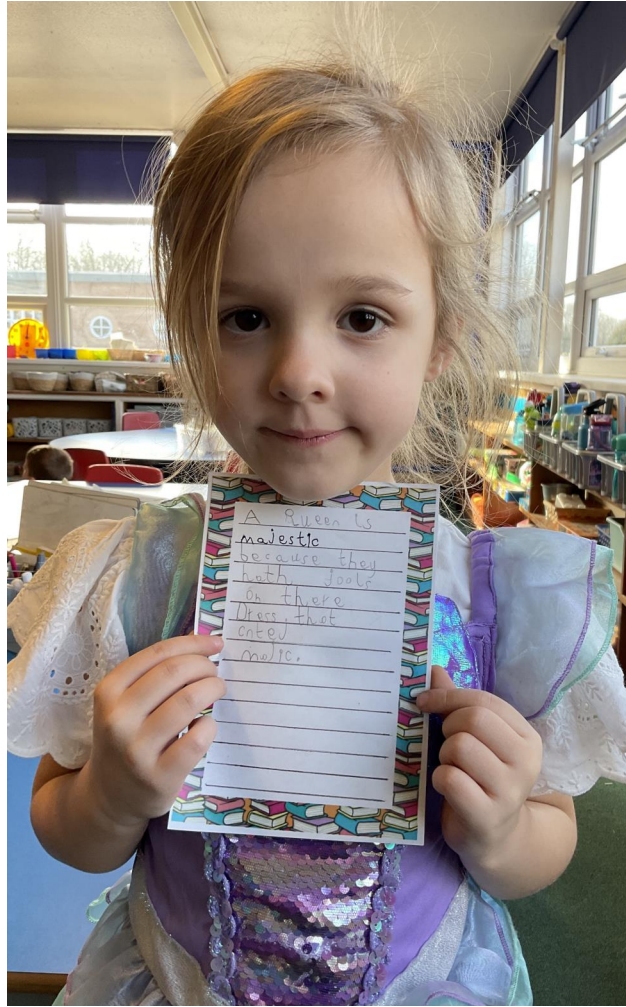
Granny Georgina grabbed
a ginormous bag of
ginger gummies.



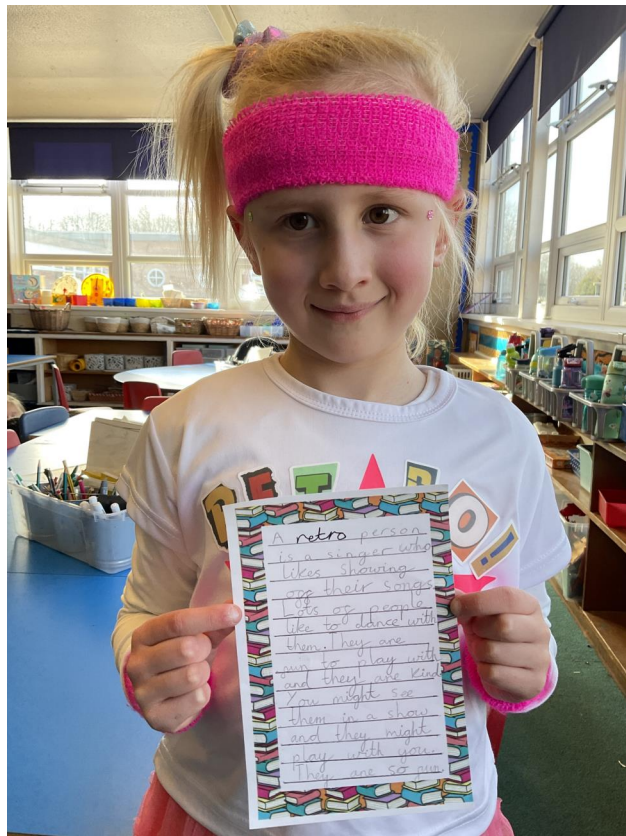
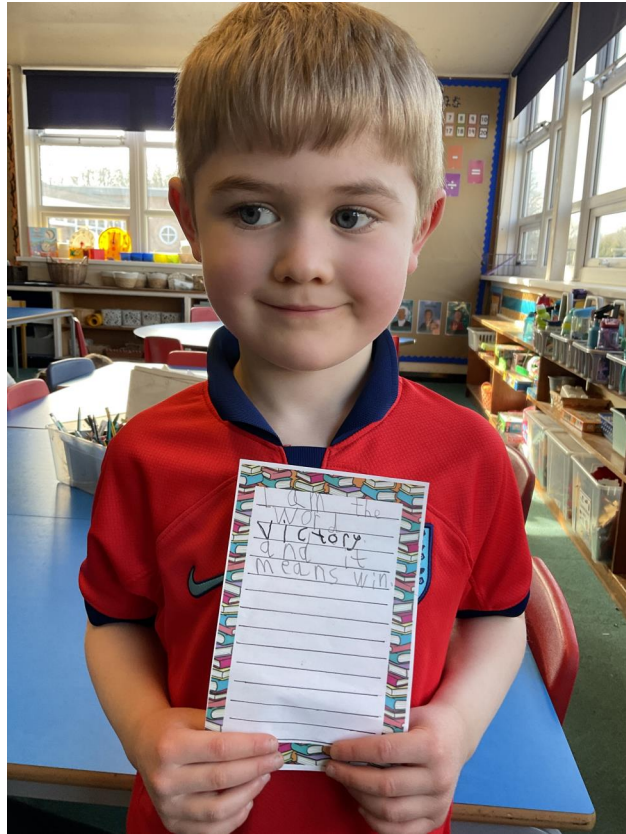


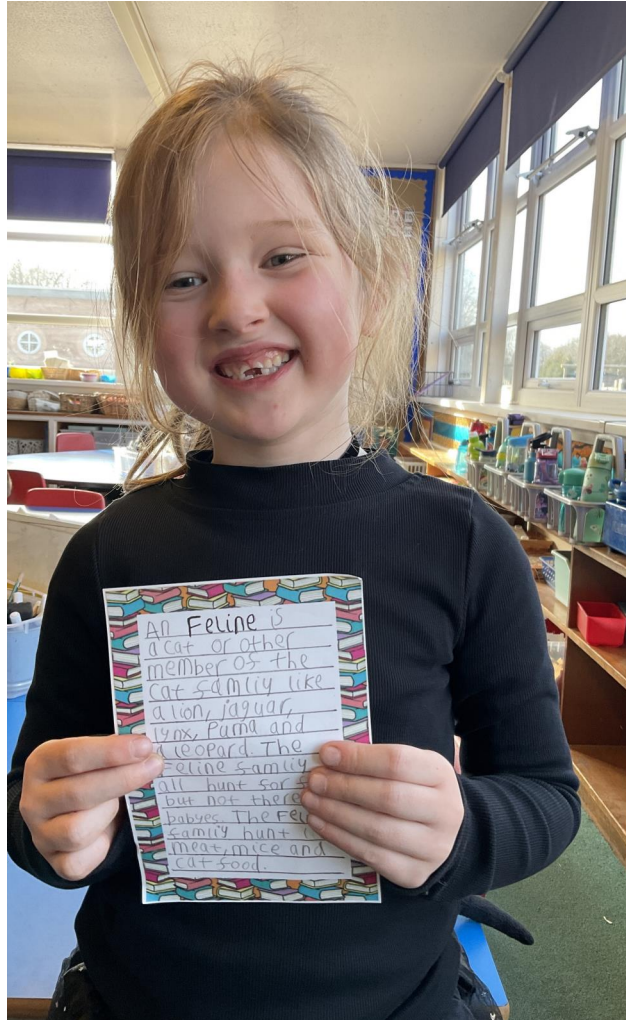






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LKS2

This week, Year 4 had a fantastic time at Forest School, with the sun shining brightly! The children embraced the great outdoors, exploring and learning while building amazing shelters using natural materials. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to connect with nature and discover new skills!

On Thursday, we were thrilled to see the children arrive at school dressed as their favourite words! We got to see a lot of creative masterpieces, and it was exciting to watch them share their knowledge and enthusiasm with their classmates. A big thank you to all the parents for supporting their children in creating such fantastic costumes. Thanks to this fun and interactive

day, our students have picked up a whole new set of vocabulary to use in their everyday learning!











UKS2

This week, UKS2 have embarked on an exciting journey into the English Civil War. They have been learning about the two opposing sides— the Roundheads and the Cavaliers— and discovering the differences in their clothing, armour, and weaponry. From the Roundheads' simple, practical uniforms and metal helmets to the Cavaliers' more elaborate, stylish attire with plumed hats, the children have explored how each side prepared for battle. They have also examined the weapons used, including muskets, pikes, and swords, gaining a fascinating insight into 17th-century warfare. It has been a fantastic start to our historical adventure!



World Book Day

Yesterday was World Book Day, we were pleased to see all the children arriving at school dressed as a word. We had words which ranged from 'thagomizer' to 'pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis'.

*The children spent the day engaging in World Book Day activities based around two lovely books: *The Dictionary Story* by Oliver Jeffers & Sam Winston, and *The Lost Words* by Robert McFarlane. The children have produced some wonderful work which will soon be on display in our library.*

This week, the books that were purchased following the Book Bus visit prior to half term were also added to the school library and class reading corners for the children to enjoy.

All children will have brought home a World Book Day voucher which can be spent in a local book shop. There are many books on offer to appeal to all stages of reading (please see some examples below).



Thank you to all families for supporting us in promoting a love of reading.













Planting Day 29th March - all invited

On Saturday 29th March from 9:00 am, Cheshire Wildlife Trust will be leading a planting morning for our school community. We have ordered hedge plants from the Woodland Trust and plan to make a living fence to mark the boundary of our Forest School. Please come along with your family to plant a tree and support this important step in our sustainability journey. If you have any DIY or gardening expertise, we were also going to use this opportunity for a 'spring clean' of our outdoor area. We hope to see as many of you as possible.



PTA Update

Bag2School

Time to embrace your inner Marie Kondo and get sorting those old clothes!

The Bag2School bags have gone out in bookbags today so please keep an eye out for yours.

The collection will take place at morning drop-off on Wednesday 26 March. Please do NOT return filled bags before or after this date.

If you're having a major clear-out and can't fit all your stuff in the bag provided, please just add your own bags too.

PTA meeting

Our next meeting is at school this coming Wednesday, 12 March at 5.30 p.m.

Pop along to find out what we've been up to and what we've got planned. The more the merrier!

For the agenda, please see the PTA Facebook page: [Lower Park PTA Information & Events](#)

Summer fair

This year's summer fair will be on Saturday 28 June and the preparations need to start soon. To do so, we need some willing volunteers who'd be happy to join the organisation team!

Whether you want to lead the event or can simply help with one of the many little tasks from buying prizes through making games or stall signs to ordering BBQ food, please drop us an e-mail at ptalowerpark@gmail.com or chat to Shauna Silcock or Amy Billing in the playground – we promise, we don't bite 😊

Lower Park After School Club KS2

KS2 - Monday – Friday 3:20pm – 5:50pm

We have a few spots available at our After-School Club! The after-school club is located within the school and is managed and staffed by our existing Lower Park team. Your child will enjoy a tasty, healthy snack and a variety of fun activities, from outdoor play to crafts and construction projects. You can find more details on our website, where you can book a regular spot for £16 per night, or choose to book on an ad-hoc basis for £17.25 per night [here](#)

Our After-School Club is led by the wonderful Mrs. Duffy , who is always happy to help with any questions or to assist you with booking a place. Feel free to get in touch via email afterschoolclub@lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk









Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Spring 2025

Monday 10th March - Year 6 Activity morning at Poynton High School

Wednesday 26th March - PTA Bag2school collection - see above

Saturday 29th March - Planting Day

Monday 31st March - Year 5 residential visit to Robinwood

Friday 4th April - School closes for Easter break

Volunteering and the Poynton Community Larder

OUR HELPING HEROES

Poynton Community Larder wishes to thank the following for all their amazing donations of food and financial support:

- Poynton Town Council
- Cheshire East Council
- Worth Primary School
- Graham - Highway Engineering Co
- Hope Green Residential Home
- Aldi Community Donation Point
- Poynton Round Table
- Waitrose and Partners, Poynton - Give a Little Love Scheme.
- Tesco Community Grant Scheme
- Churches Together in Poynton
- Galloways Printers Ltd



We are a member of the Cheshire East Food Alliance.

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Poynton Community Larder

Email:
food@pbc.org.uk

PBC Office Telephone No:
01625 859036



Poynton Community Larder

Bridging the gap



Registered Charity No. 110340

What is the Poynton Community Larder?

We are a local service that supports those in our community who need a little extra help with their weekly shop. We also aim to reduce food waste.

When and Where are the Larder Days held?

We are open on the first and third Wednesday of each month between 1:30pm and 4:30pm at Poynton Baptist Church.

How can you help?

Volunteers
Volunteers are always welcome. Please get in touch with us if you think you might be interested in joining the team.

Donations of food
We need supplies of tinned and packaged food, and hygiene products. If you can help by donating, please drop off items at Poynton Baptist Church, or at Clay Coffee House which is open Wed-Sat from 8.30am-4.00pm.

Financial support
If you wish to make a financial donation, you can give through your bank as a one-off gift or standing order. Our bank details are below. Please reference your donation - FOOD.

Name: Poynton Baptist Church
Sort-code: 08-92-99
Account Number: 65838440

Who provides this service?

Poynton Baptist Church with the help of other people and organisations in the area - see 'our Helping Heroes' on the back of this leaflet.

Who can become a member of the Larder?

Any family, single person or couple living in Poynton who are struggling to meet increased living costs. Members can self-refer and are not means-tested.

How much does it cost?

We charge £4 per shop which entitles customers to select 15 different items including fruit, vegetables and fresh bread, subject to availability. Currently we do not offer chilled or frozen food.

HOW CAN YOU HELP US TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY?



VOLUNTEER

Our service is run completely by volunteers, so without people like you our members would not be able to obtain that little bit of help with their weekly shopping.

At the moment, we are especially short of the following helpers:

- shoppers for food and other items
 - drivers of good-sized cars willing to drive to Manchester to pick up supplies for us
 - people able to produce on-going social media content
- Volunteers who might be interested in helping us in other ways would also be welcomed.

DONATE FOOD AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS

We try to stock a complete range of tinned and packaged products, but at the present time we would especially welcome tinned meat, coffee and washing powder. Unfortunately, we cannot take frozen food or fresh food.

HELP THE LARDER FINANCIALLY

To meet the increased demand, we are also very heavily dependent on financial giving to help us buy the additional supplies. In 2024 we had to buy 68% of the products needed by using financial gifts, mainly from people at Poynton Baptist Church, and as this percentage is forecast to increase, we will need more financial help..

INTERESTED AND WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?

Come and see us on Larder Days on the first and third Wednesday of each month between 1:30am and 4:30pm at Poynton Baptist Church side (side entrance in car park)

Email: food@pbc.org.uk

Telephone: Poynton Baptist Church 01625 859036

More information can be found in our leaflet and on our:

Website: www.pbc.org.uk

Facebook: Poynton Community Larder

Instagram: Poynton Community Larder

OUR LATEST NEWS

Membership growing!

We now have 50 households on our register, which compares with 32 in October 2024. **Help us to help even more people in 2025.**

Donations of food and other items also growing!

To provide for our increasing membership we have needed to see an increase in the donations of products, and thankfully this is also starting to happen. Donations have increased from 200 items per month in the first half of 2024 to 450 per month in the last half. So, a really big **THANK YOU** to all who have been so kind. But as Oliver Twist said....."**More please!**".



Christmas cheer at the December Larder Day

Thanks to the generosity of so many people, we were able to give our members a few Christmas treats including a large box of chocolates, a large box of biscuits, and a packet of mince pies.



Easter Egg Appeal 2025

As usual we want to give out Easter eggs on the Larder Day just before Easter. So, this year that will be on Wednesday 16th April. Last year we were able to give out 200 eggs! If you are able to donate a small boxed chocolate egg or even two, please bring these to the **Clay Coffee shop** on Park Lane from Wednesday 19th March onwards. The Coffee Shop is open between 9am and 4pm Wednesday to Saturday. **Maybe stop for a coffee?!**

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Breakfast / afterschool club assistant **The Hollies Pre-school, Poynton**

Breakfast 7 hours per week (7.15-9 Monday-Thursday) and/or Afterschool 6.5 hours (3-6.15 Tuesday, 3-5.15 Wednesday) 38- or 52-week contract

The Hollies is an OFSTED **Outstanding** pre-school, located in Poynton in the grounds of Lower Park School.

The vacancy

We are looking for a **part-time breakfast club and afterschool club assistant** to join our team. We will consider applicants for breakfast club hours or afterschool club hours or breakfast and afterschool club hours.

Your responsibilities will include: ensuring a safe environment for children attending breakfast and afterschool club, serving breakfast and providing stimulating activities for children aged 2 -10.

Salary details: dependent on qualifications

How to apply

Contact The Hollies' Manager, Debbie, via email (debbie@thehollies.org) or call Debbie on 01625 850176 to request an application form and job description or if we can help with any queries you have about the role.

Closing date for applications 21st March 2025.

Please note: We are committed to safer recruitment. Satisfactory references, evidence of the correct permission to work in the UK and an enhanced DBS Disclosure will be required before the successful applicants could take up the posts.



Pre-school Manager

The Hollies Pre-school, Poynton are looking for a manager to join our team.
Approx 38 hours per week, working Monday – Friday, 52-week all year-round contract.

The Hollies is an OFSTED Outstanding pre-school, located in Poynton in the grounds of Lower Park School. We have an excellent team of pre-school practitioners, providing full pre-school, breakfast, and afterschool club services. In addition to this, we provide a holiday club for children from 2 - 11 years of age.

Requirements

- Minimum, Level 3 childcare qualification
- Minimum of Grade C GCSE or equivalent in English and Maths
- Senior leadership experience within an Early Years setting
 - Extensive knowledge of safeguarding
 - Working closely with the setting's SENDCo
- Strong understanding of Ofsted regulations and safeguarding practices
 - Good knowledge of EYFS
 - Motivated and able to engage with staff
- 5.6 weeks holiday per annum, including bank holidays
 - NEST pension

Salary dependant on qualifications and experience

If you have any queries about the role, please contact The Hollies' Manager, Debbie, via email (debbie@thehollies.org) or call Debbie on 01625 850176.

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