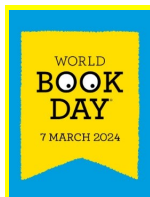


# We are a Nut/Peanut Free School

## Ravenbank CP School Newsletter Thursday 8th February 2024



This year's World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March. The children are invited to dress up as their favourite character from a book. Here is a link to some low-cost, home-made costume ideas.

<https://www.goodto.com/family/world-book-day-costume-ideas-14804>

Presented by Ravenbank PTA

### Friday 9th Feb is YES Day!

On this day we will say YES to:

- 1 Wearing your own clothes
- 2 Nail polish and make up
- 3 Crazy hair styles
- 4 Your favourite snack
- 5 Sweets at lunch time
- 6 Eating your pudding before your dinner
- 7 Sitting where you like for registration
- 8 Doing your school work in coloured pen

Donate £2 to the PTA via ParentPay to join in!  
Reminder - all food must be nut free

Parents/carers are invited to watch 5NW's guitar performance on Tuesday 20th February at 2:30pm in the school hall.



Thank you to all the children, who participated in Number Day this year. They all looked absolutely wonderful and contributed to filling our Hundred Square full of great photos! Many children also did special Maths activities to enhance their understanding of number.



### Loose Parts Bingo



OPAL loose parts bingo

is back! This is a fun way of asking for donations which also involves the children. Each class will be given a bingo board with lots of items to collect from home e.g. a wooden spoon or an old briefcase. When a class collects all eight items on their board, they earn an extra 15 minutes of OPAL playtime on a Friday afternoon. Copies of each class bingo board is attached with this newsletter.

### Diary Dates

#### Thursday 8th February

2:15pm - Y1 Assembly

#### Friday 9th February

• 9am - Y1 Assembly

• PTA 'Make the Rules Day'

• School closes for half term

#### Monday 19th February

School re-opens

#### Tuesday 20th February

2:30pm - 5NW guitar assembly

#### Thursday 7th March

• World Book Day

• 2:15pm - Reception

Assembly

#### Friday 8th March

9am - Reception Assembly

#### Wednesday 13th March

Year 5 leave for Robinwood Residential

#### Friday 15th March

Year 5 return from Robinwood

#### Wednesday 20th March

3:15-4:15pm - Y6 Spring Term

Pre-SATs Review

#### Friday 22nd March

PTA - Family Easter Bingo

#### Monday 25th March

Talent Shows - Reception, Y1 & Y2

#### Tuesday 26th March

Talent Shows - Y3 & Y4

#### Wednesday 27th March

Talent Shows - Y5 and Y6

#### Thursday 28th March

School closes at 2pm for half term and re-opens on Monday 15th April

#### Friday 26th April

PTA 'Fun Raisin' for class prize

#### Saturday 18th May

Lymm May Queen

#### Monday 13th May

Year 6 SATs begin for one week

#### Monday 13th May

Assessments for Y1-Y5 begin for 2 weeks



### IMPORTANT - REPORTING OF ILLNESS

If your child is absent from school due to illness it is very important you provide a brief description of the illness and not report as just "unwell". We need to be vigilant in stopping the spread of any viruses. **This is more imperative than ever following the recent communication regarding the shigellosis cases in the community. Also, if you have had a confirmed case, please contact the school immediately. Thank you**



Well done to all of the children in Year 3 for performing a fantastic class assembly. They shared lots of knowledge on the Stone, Bronze and Iron Age and impressed everyone with their enthusiastic singing and loud, clear voices. Well done Year 3!



The pickings to find out who will be May Queen, Rose Queen, crown bearer and other positions will be held at Lymm Youth and Community Centre (downstairs) on Saturday 24th February at 3pm. Once the Queens have been chosen there will be two practice dates on Tuesday 7th and Monday the 13th of May at 6pm on the May Queen field off Pepper Street. The May Queen itself is on Saturday the 18th of May. All participants

will need to meet outside Brookfield Surgery on Brookfield Road at 11.30am with the procession to begin at 12pm.



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Headteacher Mrs L. A. Sweeney MA BA(QTS)Hons

23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to inform you that a small number of children who attend Ravenbank Community Primary School have recently had an illness called bacterial dysentery (shigellosis).

Shigellosis is caused by shigella bacteria that infect the gut, causing diarrhoea (often watery or slimy and sometimes bloody), fever, stomach cramps and sometimes vomiting. The illness may last for only a day or continue for one to two weeks. The incubation period (the time taken from coming into contact with the bug until the illness starts) is usually 1 to 3 days but can be up to a week.

If your child is well, then you do not need to do anything at this time.

If your child currently has or does develop symptoms, please get medical attention and show this letter to the doctor. They may arrange for a stool (poo) sample to be tested for the illness and ask your child to stay away from school until at least 48 hours after their symptoms end.

People with this bug are infectious to other people while they are ill and have symptoms. Handwashing is the most important way to stop the spread of this illness. The following actions can be taken to reduce the risk of getting this bug or spreading it to others these include:

- **Washing hands thoroughly** with liquid soap and running water after using the toilet (or helping others including changing nappies) and before meals. People with false nails should pay particular attention to cleaning these thoroughly.
- **Being very careful with hand hygiene if taking care of others who are ill** (such as helping with toileting or changing nappies).
- **Washing dirty clothes, bedding and towels** on the hottest wash cycle possible and not sharing towels or face flannels with someone who is infected.

If your child currently has or develops symptoms the following actions should be taken, where relevant, to reduce the risk of spreading the infection:

- Staying away from school until at least 48 hours after the symptoms end.
- Make sure you follow any advice or recommendations you get from the Environmental Health Department and/or Health Protection Team.
- Where possible, staying away from other people until symptoms end.
- Not preparing food for others until at least 48 hours after the symptoms end.

Further information can be found via the NHS Choices link:

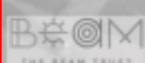
[www.nhs.uk/conditions/dysentery/Pages/Introduction.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/dysentery/Pages/Introduction.aspx)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Community Infection Prevention and Control Service - Halton, St Helens and Warrington

Tel: 01925 946976





### **Children's Mental Health Week, 5-11 February 2024**

Children's Mental Health Week is a mental health awareness week that empowers, equips and gives a voice to all children and young people in the UK. The children have been introduced to this concept in assemblies.

Download the resources to support families here:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

### **Warrington Wolves Rugby coaching and Tag Rugby Festival**

We have really enjoyed having coaches from Warrington Wolves come into school on Friday afternoons to coach Years 3 and 4. Unfortunately, the rugby festival at Lymm Rugby Club (scheduled to take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February) had to be post-poned due to heavy rain. A new date is going to be confirmed after half term. The same children who were due to attend will be attending the new date.

### **Lymm Runners Charitable Donation**



Following the success of Lymm Runners' 'Santa Dash' event, Lymm Runners were excited to be able to offer local primary schools a donation of up to £500 each for the purchase of sports equipment and exercise opportunities for pupils. We submitted a detailed bid and we are extremely pleased to confirm that we have been given a donation of £500.

The school will be using this money to support pupils wellbeing by implementing a set of 5 weekly sessions with Happy Kids Yoga for Years 3 and 4. <https://happykidsyoga.co.uk/>

Thank you to Lymm Runners for your amazing donation and we can't wait to report back on this fabulous opportunity for our pupils.

### **February half term Sports Camp**

We look forward to hearing from our five Year 5 and 6 pupils about the sports camp they have been nominated to attend at Beamont Collegiate Academy from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Have fun!

### **Celebrating Sporting Success**

Remember to let Mrs Spencer know of any exciting sporting success to go on the newsletter.

#### **Half Term clubs**

Please see the flyers below which details some of the activities available to pupils through Warrington Sports Partnership.

Freedom Football are putting on February half term camps in 2 locations across Warrington next week. The camps are at:

\*Thelwall Junior School

\*Locking Stumps Primary School





SCHOOL  
GAMES

**WARRINGTON WOLVES**  
THE WIRE  
Community Foundation

**WOLFIE'S HOLIDAY CLUB IS BACK!**

**FROM THE 13TH - 16TH FEBRUARY**  
**10AM - 3PM**  
(EARLY DROP OFF AVAILABLE FROM 08:30AM)

**LATCHFORD ST JAMES PRIMARY SCHOOL,**  
OLD RD, WARRINGTON WA4 1AP

**DETAILS IN THE DESCRIPTION**

**FREE SLICE OF TOAST FOR EARLY DROP OFF**

**WOLFIE'S HOLIDAY CLUB**

**HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB**

**£17 A DAY OR £60 FOR THE WEEK**

**BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH**

**FREE DOM FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT COACHING**

**THE WALL JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**MONDAY**  
MINI MATCHES  
FOOTBALL AND  
INVASION & TAG GAMES  
FOOT-CRICKET

**TUESDAY**  
MINI MATCHES  
INFLATABLE PITCH  
DRIBBLING ACTIVITIES  
FOOT-TENNIS

**WEDNESDAY**  
MASSIVE MATCHES  
INFLATABLE PITCH  
1 V 1 & SKILL GAMES  
FOOT-GOLF

**THURSDAY**  
MASSIVE MATCHES  
PASSING ACTIVITIES  
WEEK AWARDS  
CERTIFICATES

**DATES**  
MONDAY 12TH FEB -  
THURSDAY 15TH FEB

**TIME**  
9:00am-3:00pm  
EO or LP AVAILABLE

**REGISTER USING THE CLASS4KIDS LINK OR QR CODE**

**CONNECT WITH US BELOW**

**Thelwall Junior School, WA4 2HX**

**@FFDCUK**

**07931475722**

**Hello@FreedomFootballIDCUK.com**

For your junior aged pupils, Warrington Youth Zone have some great opportunities...

### HOLIDAY CLUB

Our Holiday Club is running through the February half-term at Warrington Youth Zone, from Monday 12 - Friday 16 February 2024. We are here to provide lots of fun activities for young people aged 7-12 years.

- Choose between... Sports or Art Club
- Sessions will run from 8am-6pm.
- Each session is £20 and will include breakfast, lunch and snacks.

**PLEASE NOTE:** membership is required to book onto our holiday programmes.

For enquiries please email [info@wyz.org.uk](mailto:info@wyz.org.uk) or contact us by phone: 01925 977277



### BRAND NEW CAMP TO SUPPORT SEND PUPILS ACROSS OUR TOWN...

**WARRINGTON WOLVES**  
THE WIRE  
Community Foundation

**WHATS ON: SEND HALF TERM**

**REGISTER (LINK BELOW TOO!)**

**MONDAY | WOLFPRINT MOVIE DAY**  
A DAY AT THE MOVIES INCLUDING CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES IN THE MORNING, RELAXED CINEMA EXPERIENCE IN THE AFTERNOON. VIEWING THE FILM ANNIE. **5-25YRS**

**TUESDAY | TOTAL SPORTS CAMP**  
OUR USUAL SPORTS CAMP RE-VAMPED! FOCUSING ON FOOTBALL SKILLS IN THE MORNING & MIXED COMPETITIVE MATCHES IN THE AFTERNOON! **7-25YRS**

**WEDNESDAY | VALENTINE'S DAY CAMP**  
MESSY/SENSORY PLAY, CRAFTS, AND A VALENTINE'S DISCO. **5-25YRS**

**THURSDAY | TOTAL SPORTS CAMP**  
OUR USUAL SPORTS CAMP RE-VAMPED! FOCUSING ON BAT AND BALL SKILLS AND MIXED COMPETITIVE MATCHES! **7-25YRS**

**FRIDAY | RUGBY CAMP**  
A DAY FILLED WITH EVERYTHING RUGBY LEAGUE. **NEW AGE RANGE: 7-25!**

**ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL ABIGAIL TITCHARD AT: ABIGAILTITCHARD@WARRINGTONWOLVESFOUNDATION.COM**

### VACANCY – MIDDAY ASSISTANT (Part of the Lunch Time Play Team)

2 x Positions Available

*Committed to equality at work and in our community*

November 2023

<b>Contract:</b>	Fixed term contract for 6 months with the plan to go permanent of successful probation period
<b>Hours of Work:</b>	12pm – 130pm, 5 Days per week, term-time only (This time may be altered slightly depending on year group assigned)
<b>Salary:</b>	Grade 3, Point 4 - £10.98 per hour
<b>Closing Date:</b>	Open Until filled
<b>Description:</b>	Ravenbank Community Primary School Pepper Street Lymm Warrington WA13 0JT
	Tel: 01925 753 926 Fax: 01925 753 473 Headteacher: Mrs Lesley Sweeney

The Governors of Ravenbank CP School are seeking to appoint a Mid-Day Assistant. For 1.5hrs per day – 12pm – 1:30pm, 5 Days per week, term-time only

We seek to appoint a self-motivated, caring individual to join our team of Mid-Day Assistants to support our children during lunchtime.

We can offer:

- The opportunity to work in a welcoming school
- Hard working and Supportive Staff
- Delightful Children

**Warrington Borough Council is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults as its number one priority. The successful applicant will therefore be required to apply for an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service.**

Application forms and further details are available from the school website  
[www.ravenbankschool.co.uk](http://www.ravenbankschool.co.uk)

The BEAM Trust is an equal opportunities employer.



### Before & After School Club Play Worker Various hours per week. Term time only Starting Date: ASAP (£11.98 per hour)

The Governing Body would like to appoint a caring, enthusiastic and dedicated Before & After School Club Play Worker to help in the club at Oughtrington Primary School. Duties will be varied and will involve running play activities; organising/preparing breakfasts/snacks; administering first aid; working closely with other school staff; cleaning duties and some administrative tasks. You must enjoy working with primary age children, be self-motivated and possess the ability to provide creative play activities in a safe, caring environment. Recent experience of working with children is required as is a willingness to undertake training related to the role. Applicants must have excellent interpersonal skills, be able to develop effective relationships with pupils, parents and the wider school community and must be highly motivated and committed to providing the highest level of service.

We can offer the successful candidate:

- A welcoming, caring and fully inclusive ethos
- Pupils with exemplary conduct and positive attitudes to learning
- Supportive staff, parents and governors
- Excellent professional development opportunities

The post is open to applicants who can provide ideally morning and afternoon cover. However, we are willing to consider just mornings or just afternoons or even a combination of the two for the right candidate.

The hours of work will be working term time only, a combination of these sessions could be considered: morning hours will be 7.30am-9.00am; afternoon hours will be 3.00pm-6.00pm.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. The successful candidates will be required to apply for enhanced disclosure from the Disclosures & Barring Service. Further details can be found at [homeoffice.gov.uk/agencies-public-bodies/dbs/](http://homeoffice.gov.uk/agencies-public-bodies/dbs/)

If you are interested in applying, please download an application form from the school's website and return it to Mrs Proud in the school office via email.

Our website address is [www.oughtringtoncps.co.uk](http://www.oughtringtoncps.co.uk)

Email Address to return the application form to is: [oughtrington.admin@thebeamtrust.co.uk](mailto:oughtrington.admin@thebeamtrust.co.uk)

Closing Date: 12pm 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Shortlisting: 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Interviews: 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Ravenbank Primary School, Lymm



# KIDS SPORTS CAMP

ONLY  
£20  
PER DAY

Our experienced and qualified staff members are dedicated to providing a safe and supportive environment for children to learn, grow, and make new friends.

12TH - 16TH FEBRUARY  
8:30AM - 4:00PM



REGISTER NOW



[scottssports@yahoo.com](mailto:scottssports@yahoo.com)



**OUR FEBRUARY CAMP IS AVAILABLE TO BOOK!**

### CAMP DATES

Monday 12th February  
to  
Friday 3rd November

Our tennis camps are:

- Run by LTA Accredited + coaches
- Adhere to LTA player to coach ratios
- Age group specific
- Suitable for beginner players
- 5% sibling discount

Please bring food and drink for the day, in the event of rain please pack a raincoat.

All equipment can be provided.

### BOOK TODAY

Please visit our Holiday Camps page via our website [www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/LymmLTCroquetClub](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/LymmLTCroquetClub).

Alternatively you can contact Allan at [lymmtenniscoaching@gmail.com](mailto:lymmtenniscoaching@gmail.com) or by phone on 07932 057672.

£25.50 per day (members)  
£30 per day (non members)

£15.30 per half day (members)  
£18 per half day (non members)

**FREE membership for under 7's**

SCAN ME



11 Brookfield Rd, WA13 0PX



# February Half Term Forest Holiday Club



**Dunham Massey National Trust**

## About CommuniTree



At CommuniTree we facilitate a nurturing and safe environment for children to play, explore and take risks at their own pace and rhythm.

No two days are the same at forest holiday club as we encourage children to follow their own passions and interests.

## Activities

- Den building
- Tree climbing
- Foraging and cooking
- Story-telling and music
- Crafting with tools
- Woodland unstructured play

## How to book

12-16 February 9am-3.15pm  
For 5 - 11 year olds (Year 1 - Year 6)  
£42 a day (inc. VAT)

Childcare vouchers , tax-free childcare accepted.

visit | [communitree.co.uk/holiday-club](http://communitree.co.uk/holiday-club)  
email | [info@communitree.co.uk](mailto:info@communitree.co.uk)  
call | 0800 086 8837

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24<sup>th</sup> March



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## The Great Easter Egg Hunt 2024!

### Can you help?

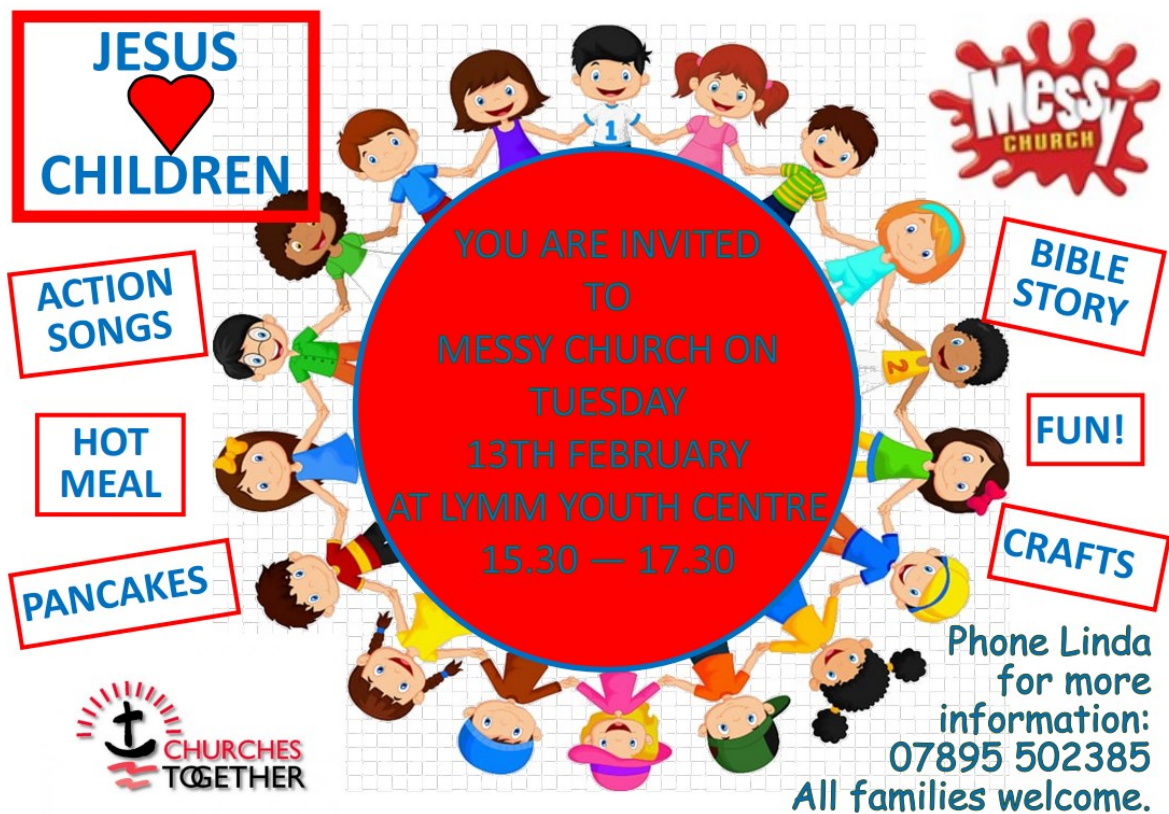
St Joseph's will be supporting local families at Easter by providing **food parcels and Easter treats**.

We are looking for donations of cupboard staples such as tinned food, teabags, biscuits and cereals, but most of all ...

**we need to find some chocolate eggs!**

Donations can be dropped off at the  
Centre on Museum Street  
Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm





**JESUS**  
♥  
**CHILDREN**

**ACTION SONGS**

**HOT MEAL**

**PANCAKES**

**CHURCHES TOGETHER**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO MESSY CHURCH ON TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY AT LYMM YOUTH CENTRE 15.30 — 17.30**

**Messy CHURCH**

**BIBLE STORY**

**FUN!**

**CRAFTS**

Phone Linda for more information: 07895 502385  
All families welcome.



**Cheshire Fire & Rescue Service**

# Coffee Morning

Lymm Fire Station are hosting a coffee morning for Febrewary to raise funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust and The Fire Fighters Charity.

**Sunday 18 February**  
Lymm Fire Station, Cliff Lane, Lymm, Warrington, WA13 0TE  
10am - 12pm

Have a look around our fire Engines and treat yourself to a Fire Fighters Charity toy.

Why not bring some of your own cakes or biscuits to donate?

Come and have a brew and chat!

The Fire Fighters Charity Cystic Fibrosis Trust

Unfortunately, due to the risk of infection, we strongly advise that people with CF do not attend this event.

**\*\*MISSING\*\***

**New Mongoose scooter -**  
please contact the school office if you have seen the scooter below;

