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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- > **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**  
Shrove Tuesday  
(Pancake Day)
- > **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March**  
World Book Day
- > **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
Reception Trip to  
'Imagine That!'  
Liverpool
- > **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March**  
Shine Out Committee  
leading Worship in  
Church
- > **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
Easter Lunch
- > **Mon 7<sup>th</sup> - Fri 18<sup>th</sup> April**  
Easter Break

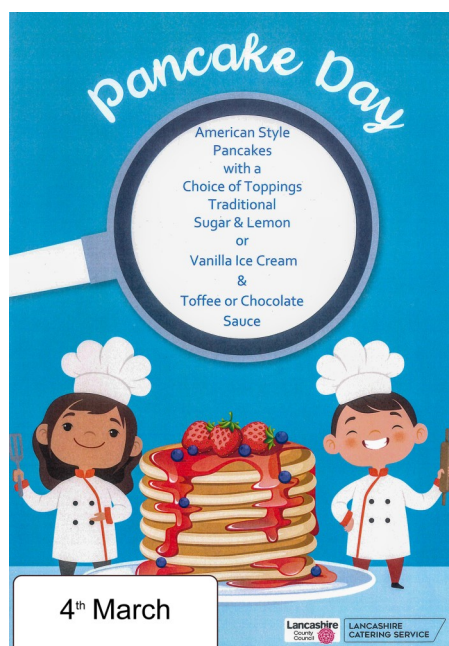
## HEADTEACHER UPDATES

Spring is now here, and I would like **to thank Mrs Dooley and Mr Clare** for all their work over the winter months, keeping us safe from broken trees, slippery surfaces and flooded areas.

As you may have gathered from conversations with your child/children, Mr Bullen is retiring at the end of April. Mrs Clarke (4C) will be starting her maternity leave at around the same time. In addition, Mrs (Charlotte) Hill will begin her maternity leave after school on Wednesday. We have worked out who will be teaching which classes for the summer term and will inform parents in due course. Fortunately, some support staff will soon be returning from their maternity leaves, and by the end of July, we should be pretty much back to our normal staffing levels.

**Mr Bullen's retirement** is the big news, as he has been teaching at our school for a long time, and many children are very fond of him. The fun he has brought to school on many occasions will be missed. For instance, I remember a time when carrots were found dotted all around the corridors, followed by a red Think Sheet completed and signed by the Easter Bunny, left on the chair outside the Leadership Room! I am sure the children will make the most of the remaining lessons they have with Mr Bullen until 30<sup>th</sup> April. We will be celebrating Mr Bullen's time at our school at the end of the first week after the Easter holiday.

We had an excellent turnout for the two parents' evenings last week, and our prefects did a great job welcoming and escorting parents around the school.



This week, we have **World Book Day** on Thursday, and all the classroom doors are being decorated as book covers. On Thursday, there will be lots of stories read and shared with children at different locations around school by a range of storytellers. Last week, Mrs Rigby sent parents a letter explaining World Book Day and mentioned that children can dress up as a character from one of their favourite books.

Tomorrow is **Shrove Tuesday**, so the school dinners include pancakes with a delicious choice of toppings: Traditional Sugar & Lemon, Vanilla ice cream & Toffee or Chocolate Sauce!

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

Mon 3 March	Tue 4 March	Wed 5 March	Thu 6 March	Fri 7 March
Lunchtime				
Year 3-6 Taekwondo*		Netball squad development	Year 5-6 Netball	Year 4 Netball
Year 3-6 Cross Country				
Busy Bees Club Library Club	Busy Bees Club Library Club		Busy Bees Club Library Club	Busy Bees Club
After school				
<b>Football Club 3:30 – 4:30</b>	Rec, Year 1-2 Infant Dance Club		Year 3-4 Athletics	<b>Year 3-6 Dodgeball</b>
<b>Taekwondo** 5:30 – 6:30</b>			<b>Year 1-6 Girl's Football</b>	

Year 2 to 6: **Busy Bees Club** is in the hall and is a mixture of board games, Lego, chess and art. Children just drop in.

\*Taekwondo is paid for a session at a time. Just send your child in with £5 each week. This is held in the gym.

\*\*£7 per person or discounted monthly payment options available. First lesson FREE of charge.

Monday lunchtime **netball club for Y5-6** has moved to Thursday lunchtime. This is to avoid a clash with the lunchtime Taekwondo club.

### CARING FOR OUR BUTTERFLY GARDEN TOGETHER

Our Butterfly Garden is a very popular place for children to play. We put down fresh wood chips in the summer, and now Mr Peetoom and many Year 2 children have already started planting seeds and bulbs around the Butterfly Garden to make the area more attractive and, hopefully, to attract butterflies and bumblebees.

We have taped off some areas to try to keep young children off the flower beds. Please could we ask for your help with this, especially at home time.

Please make sure any children with you who wish to play in the garden stay on the wood-chipped areas and not in the flower beds.



### NURSERY FEES

All the nursery bookings and funding should now all be correct for the term.

So **please pay any outstanding balances before the end of the financial year** (31<sup>th</sup> March).

Thank you.

### SWIMMING DAYS

**Reception or Year 1** on Wednesdays.

**Year 2** on Tuesday afternoon.

Children in 2WB will need to be picked up from the swimming pool at the end of the day.

**Year 3-4 no swimming on Thursday** (World Book Day).

All children need a swimming cap (as well as costumes and towels) or they may not be able to swim.

Swim caps can be bought from either office for £5 (cash please).

**WORLD BOOK DAY**  
6 MARCH 2025

# Celebrate World Book Day

Amazing stories and a visit from a Storyteller

Decorate your classroom door as a book cover

Wear your Onesie is optional

Story themed dressing up is optional

OR

Book Themed Lunch

Fun stuff and prizes

Enjoy your favourite books