

Lightcliffe Snapshot

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After School Clubs – Week Commencing 18 November 2019

SCHOOL CLOSED MONDAY — STAFF TRAINING DAY					
Yoga Y5/6	Tuesday	8:00 — 8:45	Athletics Y6	Wednesday	3:15 — 4:30
Choir	Thursday	3:15 — 4:15	Film	Thursday	3:15 — 4:15
Chess	Friday	3:15 — 4:15			

Dear Parents

The Christian 'Key Words' for this school year are: **Resilience**, **Respect**, **Kindness** and **Koinonia**.

ATTENDANCE - Be an attendance **HERO**: **H**ere **E**very day **R**eady **O**n time

Overall attendance for the 2019-20 school year up to the end of last half term is 97.59%, meaning we are currently on track to meet our target of 97% attendance for the year.

Last week, 10 classes achieved attendance of 97% or higher and the top 3 classes were:

- 1st - YR Mrs Dukes - 100%
- Joint 2nd - Y2 Mrs Blackhurst and Y5 Mrs Schoon — 98.7%



Unfortunately, only 1 class achieved no late marks for the whole week — well done to Y5 Mr Wildgust.. Please remember that your child needs to be in school before 8.55am in order to avoid a late mark.

Congratulations to all the above classes, who will have **Attendance Hero Minions** added to the school attendance display.

ROBINWOOD TRIP — A reminder to Year 5 parents/carers that the final day for payment for the Robinwood trip is Friday 22 November. Please send cash/cheques, along with your record card, to school with your child or you can bring it straight to the school office. Thank you.

BOOK FAIR — **Last chance this afternoon to visit our Book Fair!** There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone. You can browse some of the highlights before the Book Fair on the Scholastic website. This is a great opportunity to buy a few Christmas presents and raise funds for the school at the same time! The book fair news sheet (sent home this week) also has details of the wide range of books available for children of all reading abilities and in addition, books of interest to parents will be available at the fair. Your child will also be given the opportunity to explore the books in their classrooms.



Everyone who buys a book will have their name entered into a prize draw and could win a book!

The Book Fair will be open in the school hall or in the playground under the shelter next to Year 2 from 3:15 to 3:45pm.

PFSA CHRISTMAS FAIR - The Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 30 November and preparations are already well under way. There will be lots of fabulous stalls and attractions including the firm favourites such as Santa's Grotto, Secret Santa, mince pies and mulled wine/sherry, face painting, nail art and some lovely external stalls selling Christmas gifts and goodies. We will, of course, have some entertainment from the school choir in the main hall where tea, coffee and cakes will be served throughout the afternoon. Everybody welcome, tickets are now on sale from the school office at £2.00 per family and these will also be available on the door. All pre-sold tickets will be entered into a prize draw so be sure to buy yours early!



Tickets to see Father Christmas are also on sale from the office at £2.00 per child. Unfortunately, due to Santa's time restrictions, numbers have to be limited.

This year, there will also be a Christmas Cake-Off Competition, open to all children, staff and parents. Information has been sent home with children and entry forms are now available to collect from the office..

We do need some help though; we are looking for lots of volunteers to help on stalls for approximately one hour shifts - please let the PFSA know asap if you can do this.

Our children's teachers are also looking for help on the day (smaller time slots) to help run the class stalls. Donations for these stalls will be gratefully accepted in school from Tuesday 19 November:

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| Reception | Bottle Tombola (any bottled goods) |
| Year 1 | White Elephant items |
| Year 2 | Teddy Bears (used, clean ones) |
| Year 3 | Chocolate Items |
| Year 4 | Sweets |
| Year 5 | Jam Jars (empty ones re-filled with anything you like — get those imaginations going!) |
| Year 6 | Toiletries |

STARTING SCHOOL — Children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 are due to start primary school in September 2020. Applications open on 19 November 2019. To apply for a school place, you must apply online by 15 January 2020 at www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions. If you do not have internet at home, facilities will be available at Calderdale's Customer First Offices in Halifax and also at Calderdale libraries. Assistance with the process can also be sought at the Customer First Offices or on 01422 392617. You may also contact our school



office team who will be delighted to help you. If you would like a leaflet about applying for a primary school place, please contact school and register your child's name. The 'Admission to Primary School' booklet 2020 is available on the council [website](#) or can be viewed at your local library or in school. The offer of places will be made on 16 April 2020.

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY – Tomorrow, Friday 15 November, we will be supporting Children in Need. Children can come to school wearing something spotty or in non uniform. We are suggesting a donation of £1 per child. Please send money in an envelope marked Children in Need.





PFSA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE — Your child has brought home some books of raffle tickets. There are some fantastic prizes to be won including a first prize of £250, second prize £100, third prize £50 and lots of other fantastic prizes! If everyone sold just one book of five tickets, we would raise over £1,600! All the money raised will be used to enhance your child's time in school. The raffle will take place at the Christmas Fair on Saturday 30 November. Winners will be notified by telephone and listed on the PFSA website and Facebook page. Each ticket costs £1. To try and raise as much as possible for the school, please encourage neighbours, friends, grandparents and work colleagues to buy tickets. Additional tickets are available from the school office — if you have any spare, please return them to enable us to pass them on. Once again there will be a competition for the child who sells the most tickets with an Amazon voucher as the prize — good luck! Please return ticket stubs and money or cheques (made payable to Lightcliffe Primary School), in a clearly labelled envelope with the child's name and class, to the school office by Friday 29 November. Thank you for your support!

LOST PROPERTY — We still have a pair of dark blue metal framed glasses in a blue plastic Vision Express case at the office (handed in several weeks ago) — please check whether your child has their glasses if similar.

One of our pupils has also found a boxed pair of silver earrings on a footpath near school — please contact the office if you think they might be yours.

STAFF TRAINING DAY — Finally, a reminder that school will be **closed on Monday 18 November** for staff training. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday.

Charles Woodbridge

Parent Workshop (Dyslexia) including SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities)

Information Report and Inclusion SEND Policy Annual Reviews

Wednesday 4 December 2019

As part of our ongoing commitment to parents and carers we are offering you the opportunity to attend the upcoming Parent Workshop which will be focusing on Dyslexia. The workshop is to be held on Wednesday 4 December at 9:15 — 11:00am. If you would like to attend this workshop, please complete the slip below and return to Mrs McDonald (Senco) by Friday 22 November. We are anticipating a good response to this workshop, so to ensure we can accommodate all parents, please book prior to attending.

Please note priority will be given to parents of children on the school's Inclusion Register with additional or special needs.

A repeat workshop will be offered in the spring or summer term if demand is high.

As part of the workshop, we will be reviewing our SEND Information Report and Inclusion Policy, and would value your contribution to this.

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Please return to Mrs McDonald (Senco) by Friday 22nd November

I would like to express my interest in the Parent Workshop (Dyslexia) to be held on Wednesday 4 December 2019 at 9:15 am

Name of Parent/Carer:

Child's name:

Parental email address (for confirmation)

For SEN Admin use only	
Place confirmed <input type="checkbox"/>	Waiting List — Offer for subsequent workshop <input type="checkbox"/>
Parent notified <input type="checkbox"/>	Child on Inclusion Register <input type="checkbox"/>