

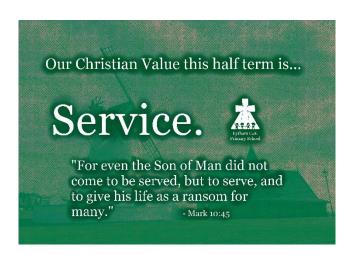
#### LYTHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

Together We Grow With God



6th October 2023

### Our Christian Value this half term is Service



#### Headteacher's Message:

We have had a wonderful fortnight in school. Thank you so much to everyone who was able to support the Macmillan Coffee Morning – we raised £311!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher or myself. I'm on the gate nearly every morning and evening so please do come and chat to me if you have a worry or niggle. I can also be contacted via Dojo and email. We are always willing to help.

Have a lovely weekend with your children

Mrs Wooldridge



# Our Stars of the Week - week beginning 25th September



Reception	Isaac	
Year One	Billy	
Year Two	Ava	
Year Three	Henry	
Year Four	Declan	
Year Five	Eleanor	
Year Six	Finn	





## Our Stars of the Week - week beginning 2nd October



Reception	Payton	
Year One	Noah	
Year Two	George	
Year Three	Max P	
Year Four	Lexie	
Year Five	Freya B	
Year Six	Tom A	



Our Christian Values Superstars				
(W/B 25 <sup>th</sup>	Норе	Joshua	Касеу	
September)				
(W/B 18 <sup>th</sup>	Lorenza	Monty	Rebecca	
September)				

You will recall from previous newsletters that the focus for each half term changes for our Parable of the Talents certificate. It was agreed that the focus this half term for the Parable of the Talents would be for those children who demonstrate an exceptionally 'positive attitude towards their learning'.

Positive attitudes towards learning- week beginning 25th September			
Reception	Harper-Jean		
Year One	Sienna		
Year Two	William		
Year Three	Alice		
Year Four	Henry		
Year Five	Eva W and Joseph		
Year Six	Mason		

Positive attitudes towards learning- week beginning 2 <sup>nd</sup> October			
Reception	Esmai		
Year One	Ben A		
Year Two	Phoebe		
Year Three	Nova		
Year Four	Amelie		
Year Five	Holly		
Year Six	Luke		

#### **Snippets from the classrooms**

This week in Reception we have enjoyed listening to the story 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell. We have been drawing the characters from the story and writing the initial letters of their name. On Tuesday we liked taking part in a vision screening test we had to wear some fun glasses to do this.

Year 2 - This week in English we have continued our work about wolves. As well as reading stories about wolves we have found out lots of information about them. We have become wolf experts and we are looking forward to writing our wolf fact files next week.

#### School Meals – Reminder from the School Office

With effect from September 2023 the price of a school meal has increased from £2.40 to £2.50 per meal.

#### WhatsApp messages

Over the last few days, we have been made aware, in some cases, of WhatsApp communications getting out of hand. We are aware that some classes have WhatsApp groups and these are useful for reminders and parent-to-parent support. However, some parents in various classes have approached us this week to say that there are negative and derogatory messages about staff and aspects of school being shared within these groups. We pride ourselves on communication and resolving issues quickly.

Please can we request that worried or frustrated parents approach us directly, to avoid other parents feeling uncomfortable. Negative messages cause negative feelings, and we cannot resolve problems or offer reassurance if we do not know about things. Thank you for your support with this.

#### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Thank you to everyone who bought a book at the Book Fair. We will let you know how much money we have earned in due course.

#### **Parking on Norfolk Road**

A local resident has asked for us to remind parents to be careful when driving along Norfolk Road and respect the 20MPH speed limit. He has also said that it would be helpful if we could also ask parents not to block driveways to enable residents to also access the road and arrive on time at work and appointments. Thank you.

#### **Lytham in Bloom**

We were delighted to win a Gold Award at the Lytham in Bloom Presentation Award Ceremony! Thank you to everyone who helps to keep our gardens and pots looking so lovely ©

#### Autumn 1 2023 'at a glance'

Date	Event	Notes
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Morning for new families	Please spread the word <sup>☺</sup>
10-11.30am		
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes for Half term	
3.30pm		

#### Children return to school on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school or moving to secondary school in September 2024 opens on Friday 1 September 2023.

Parents can apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools - it's quick and easy!

The national closing dates for applications are:

- Tuesday 31 October 2023 for secondary applicants
- Monday 15 January 2024 for primary applicants.

It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

For guidance on school transport see: <a href="https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/">https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/</a>.