



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2022

FAREWELL

Today we said farewell to our Year 1 Team Leader, Mrs Page. Although we are sad to lose Mrs Page from Team Stanley, we wish her all the best in her new role.

POLICE COMPETITION – WINNER!

We are so pleased, and proud, to announce that the winner of this festive competition was our very own Oliver! This competition was open to all primary school aged children so this is an incredible achievement.

Well done Oliver!



SCHOOL CHOIR - PENNY FARM

Our school choir visited at Penny Farm last Sunday and sang at their Christmas Fair. We received some very kind words regarding their performance – “The children gave a great performance and were a real credit to the school”. We are very proud of them all.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16/12/22 – Christmas Break

04/01/23 – Return to school

10/01/23 – Reception & Year 6 Heights & Weights

15/01/23 – Deadline for Primary School 2023 Intake. [Please click here](#) to apply

CONTACT INFORMATION



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CHRISTMAS BREAK

School is now closed for Christmas. We hope you all have a fantastic time and we look forward to seeing the children on Wednesday 4th January 2023 – doors open at 8.50am for a 9am registration.

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOOD

Thank you to all parents who provided their child's class with party food this week - we have been overwhelmed by the generosity. There was some leftover food which we have donated to The Waterloo's food drive for the homeless.



WATER SAFETY IN THE COLD WEATHER

Please read the following message from Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service:

In light of the recent tragic incident in Solihull and a number of local near misses involving young people being seen on Stanley Park lake, we'd like to remind all parents and carers to have the vital and lifesaving conversation about the dangers of playing on frozen bodies of water.

Please ensure your young people are safe and keep well away from frozen water, it does not get cold enough in the UK for water to be stable to be walked on, it is likely that only a small amount of water is frozen.

The cold water, as your young people should already know, causes Cold Water Shock which effectively shuts the body down in order to preserve the internal organs.

Please familiarise the young people of the safety procedures surrounding frozen water –

- ✦ Stay away from the edge of bodies of water, as uneven terrain can make slips and falls more likely.
- ✦ Whenever possible, stick to well-lit routes away from water.
- ✦ Do not walk or climb onto the ice to attempt a rescue.
- ✦ Shout to the casualty to "keep still" and offer reassurance to keep them calm.
- ✦ Try and reach them from the bank using a rope, pole, tree branch, clothing tied together or anything else which can extend your reach.
- ✦ When reaching from the bank, lie down to avoid being pulled onto the ice – this spreads your weight more evenly.
- ✦ If you cannot reach them, slide something which floats, such as a plastic bottle or football, across the ice for them to hold onto to stay afloat whilst help is on the way.
- ✦ Keep dogs on a lead when they're near the ice, and don't throw sticks or toys onto the ice.
- ✦ If a pet falls in, do not go into the ice or water to rescue them, move somewhere where the dog can climb out and call them to you.
- ✦ In emergencies, dial 999

[Please click here](#) for more safety tips.

SUPPORT OVER THE FESTIVE PERIOD

Please head over to our [Parent Information Page](#) where we have links to support available during this time. Please reach out to family, friends or an available organisation if you need to.

We have information on community warm hubs, food parcels, help with the cost of winter, mental health support and lots more.

SCHOOL DINNERS

If your child has school dinners, these need booking (and paying for, if you pay) **a week in advance**. For our return on 4th January, **dinner need to be booked by 27th December**. If you miss this deadline your child will need a packed lunch provided by yourself.

MARTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH NOTICE



PE DAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS

- Reception - Wednesdays
- Year 1 – Mondays and Wednesday
- Year 2 – Mondays and Tuesdays
- Year 3 – Mondays and Tuesdays
- Year 4 – Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Year 5 – Wednesdays and Thursdays (Thursdays for PE or swimming**, whichever your child normally does)
- Year 6 – Wednesdays and Fridays

**Year 5 Swimming – Please note that, after Christmas, swimming will re-start on Thursday 12th January so please send your child in their PE kit for the first Thursday back (5th January).

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Please ensure that **the Office** is made aware, **by yourself**, if your child is absent from school; through our absence voicemail option.

If your child is going to miss any school time, for any reason, the Office needs to be made aware so that they can be appropriately marked on the register and evidence provided/an absence form completed by yourself.

LATE ARRIVALS

This week alone we had **170 lates** into school which is just not acceptable. Every class had late pupils recorded. Please make sure your child is on time to school, even 5 minutes late interrupts their learning. Our doors open at 8.50am for a 9am registration. Anyone arriving after 9am needs to come to the Office (at the Infant end) to be signed in.

ADDITIONAL BANK HOLIDAY

In light of the announcement of His Majesty's coronation on Saturday 6th May 2023, an additional bank holiday has been announced on Monday 8th May. [Please click here](#) for the updated 2022/2023 Term Dates.



Operation Encompass now operates throughout Lancashire police force. It helps police and schools work together to provide emotional and practical help to children. The system ensures that when police are called to an incident of domestic abuse, where there are children in the household who have experienced the domestic incident, the police will inform the school (Miss Manson) before the child or children arrive the following day. This ensures that the school has up to date relevant information about the child's circumstances and can enable support to be given to the child.