



# World Book Day 2024

We will be taking part in this year's World Book Day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024. On the day we are encouraging children (and staff too!) to dress up as their favourite book Character and bring along the book that inspired them to share at school. This year we will be encouraging everyone to:



menu, so don't forget to book your child's lunch on Parent Pay!

# Headteacher Mini Mentions Congratulations to the following children:



#### Year 1:

Skye for showing excellent enthusiasm and determination in maths. Amelia and Peggy for working hard to improve their presentation and handwriting. Tom, Ellie & Brooke-Lynn for excellent engagement and use of language from the text whilst reading our new English book, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

### Year 3:

Jonah for trying so hard in mathematics this week and keeping going when finding challenges hard. Immanuel & Khloe for working together fantastically in science. **Year 4:** 

Olivia for always respecting and following school rules and Libby for super efforts with her handwriting.

### Year 5:

Millie for being a very conscientious pupil in everything she does, Scarlett for showing her love of learning in everything she does and Oscar for bringing in items from home which inspire the class.





It was lovely to see so many children swap their Hesketh-with-Becconsall All Saints Uniform for that of the Uniformed Organisation they attend on Thinking Day, sometimes known as Founders Day.

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# Victorious!

In Year 5 this week during RE we have been exploring the meaning of the word victorious. Oscar shared that his Great Uncle has been victorious. It turns out his Great Uncle – Peter Ward is somewhat of a local hero. Peter was a dynamic character, believing nothing was impossible. Year 5 feel we could learn a lot from him.

A former international cyclist, he began cycling at the age of 16, often borrowing a bike to go out on club runs. Nothing could stop Peter's competitive spirit. When he was conscripted to do his National Service in the RAF, posted to the South of England, he would ride home to Lostock Hall to see his future wife. Peter's time in the RAF led him to become an engineer at British Aerospace, at both Warton and Strand Road sites, a job he never tired of. He continued racing to an international level, riding for England during the 50s and 60s.

Peter used to cycle a round trip of 24 miles to work at BAE, virtually every day throughout his working life. After retirement he continued to instigate and be involved in creating new safer cycling routes to BAE systems. His idea of establishing a comprehensive cycle route network in Lancashire, led to him to become the architect of the iconic Guild Wheel. Peter spent years developing the 21-mile orbital greenway around the city, providing safe, scenic and healthy cycling around Preston. His dream was realised in 2012. Now over 100,000 people a year use the Guild Wheel for walking, running, cycling and commuting to work or school. It provides a safe route for the most vulnerable road users.



## Thank you Oscar for sharing this inspiring story!

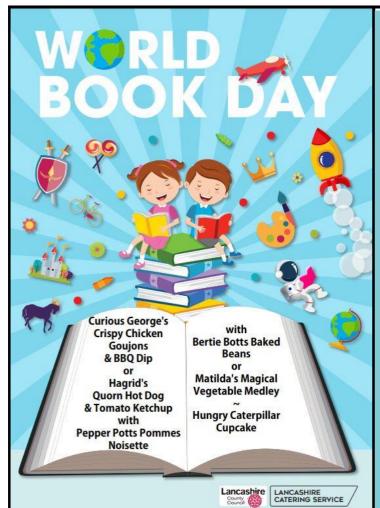


Year 1 enjoyed a lovely walk around Hesketh Bank on Monday afternoon, spotting features of the local area as part of their learning in Geography.

Year 6 children enjoyed their Residential Trip to Min-y-Don and we thank the team there, and our own staff Mr Maguire, Mrs Odgers and



Miss Riley for looking after them so well! We hope everyone has enjoyed seeing the pictures on our social media, it is lovely to see the children making memories that will last a life-time!





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# **Chorister Open Day**

Saturday 9th March, 11.15am-4pm

For children aged 8 and over who are interested in music, come and see what it's like to be a chorister at Blackburn Cathedral!

Please email musicadmin@blackburn cathedral.co.uk to book your free place or for more information.



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