



This month's value is **Humility**

Parents,

We hope you have a lovely break over Easter. We return on Tuesday, April 19th.

There will be a couple of long-awaited weddings for Great Wood staff over the break, following which: Mrs Norman will be known as Mrs Clark and Miss Smith will be known as Mrs Newton. Congratulations to them both.



Hopefully congratulations will soon be given to Miss Summers who is starting her maternity leave. Miss Ellis who has been the teaching assistant in 1V this term will be joining Chestnut class in Reception and Mrs Toulmin will return in Y1.



Well done to Year 4 – Their performances of Rock Bottom have been a triumph and it is such a pleasure to see them enjoying the fruits of their labour. Thank you to all who have come and supported the children and been rewarded with a fantastic pantomime show.

Summer Festival - *In 2018 the PTA and school embarked on the school's first Summer Music Festival, taking over the back field. With the sun shining a great day was had by all as the bands played, the parents chilled and the children bounced! It was hoped it would become an annual event as the sun again shone in 2019 with parents and children again enjoying the Festival experience in a family friendly environment. With us being unable to hold one for the last 2 years (we all know why) we want to make up for lost time this Summer and host our biggest and best yet, our children certainly deserve it...*

The date set is Saturday 25th June, and there will be lots of activities going on and three wonderful local bands in attendance to entertain you all day! We are conscious that money is tight for many families at the moment and want to give as many people as possible the chance to come along, so have reduced the admission to just £4 per person (under 2's free). As well as the live music your ticket price includes lots of Arts and Craft activities, Beat the Goalie, Face painting and a Dance Competition all run by the teachers. The only thing you will have to pay for on the day is to go in the optional Inflatable Zone. We will have Hot Food stalls, a Tuck Shop and an Ice Cream Stand, but you are able to bring you own food and drink, to help keep costs down.

Although the PTA usually tries to raise funds, this will be a not for profit event with the intention of giving all Great Wood children a chance to enjoy a Music Festival in a secure environment they are comfortable with. To get your tickets please pay for them on the Schools ParentPay site, you will then be sent your Entry Wristbands. Tickets go on sale today and will be available until Friday 20th May. Please note that due to local restrictions only 600 tickets will be available and we sold out in advance of the first two Festivals, so be sure to book early!

The results of the Parent Questionnaire will be out once comments are collated. However, please be aware of <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> This is a national initiative to give a write up of your school. Comments can be seen by others and when inspectors visit they look at recent comments. We are listed as Great Wood Primary School. (There is another Great Wood Community Primary School that is not us)

If you have time – you may want to look at our curriculum overview. <https://www.greatwood.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/>

Keeping our minds and bodies healthy has been a focus recently. Thank you for the £98.50 support towards the costs of the Life Education programme – having key messages shared and recapped year on year help children understand that they are in control of their bodies and what they put inside, and others doing things doesn't make it right for them. It was also great that some children learned to stay balanced on their bikes and the rest of Year 5 developed skills of cycling on roads.



We played a friendly football match against Lancaster Road yesterday. Although the Lancaster Road A Team were finalists in the recent tournament our A Team played really well drawing all three matches. Our B Team made up of Year 5 pupils played Lancaster Roads Y6 A Team and played well, winning one, losing one and drawing one. It was fantastic to see the children sporting their new football tops donated by Mr Devaney's printing company.

Latest DfE Covid Guidance - adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days.

As there is a lot of more general sickness around, please be aware that the Public Health advice following illness is available on our website https://www.greatwood.lancs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Guidance_on_infection_control_in-schools_poster.pdf

Finances are getting tighter. If you think you may become eligible for Free School Meals, call 01524581207 to find out. The access team can find if you are eligible. Also be aware of Social Tariffs for broadband – If you are in receipt of Universal Credit, there is access to cheaper deals with most providers.

Local Triple P Course Dates have been published. These are courses that promote a positive a positive and caring relationship between you and your child.

Date	Time	Course	Staff name
Thursday 28 th April	10:00-11:00	Group - Lune Park	Claire & Caroline
Monday 2 nd May	12:30-14:30	Teen's - Poulton	Nichola & Kelly

Wednesday 14 th Sep	12:30-14:30	Group – Westgate	Tara & Aneta
Thursday 15 th Sep	10:00-12:00	Teens – Lune Park	Claire & Caroline
Wednesday 14 th Sep	5:30-19:00	Group – Zoom	Nichola & Kelly

Group (Age 2-10) **Steppingstone** with developmental disabilities (Age 2-10) **Teens** (Age 10-16)

WHAT IS GROUP TRIPLE P?

A broad-based parenting intervention delivered over eight weeks for parents, the program involves five (2-hour) group sessions and 2 phone consultations to assist parents with independent problem solving while they are practicing the skills at home. Parents actively participate in a range of exercises to learn about the causes of child behaviour problems, setting specific goals, and using strategies to promote child development, manage misbehaviour, and plan for high-risk situations.

WHO IS IT FOR?

Parents or caregivers interested in promoting their child’s development and potential or they may have concerns about their child’s behavioural problems or simply wish to prevent behaviour problems from developing.

For more information or to book a place contact Lesley.rothwell@lancashire.gov.uk 01524 586583 or Nichola.burrow@lancashire.gov.uk 01772 538771.

KIDS IN THE WILD

IS YOUR CHILD 9-11 YEARS OLD?

DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THE ULTIMATE SUMMERTIME ADVENTURE?
ARE YOU FED UP WITH SEEING THEM INSIDE ON SCREENS?
DO YOU THINK THEY WOULD BENEFIT FROM TIME SPENT IN THE WILDERNESS?

Channel 4 and the producers of *Junior Bake Off* are making a brand-new series and are looking for children aged 9-11 to spend two weeks camping in nature this summer.

By encouraging independence outdoors, we will explore the relationships and skills children develop when put to the test.

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