

23rd November 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Following on from the information provided in the newsletter last week regarding the introduction of a new one-week timetable; we are hoping to have the new timetable in place for week commencing Monday 3rd December 2018. I will of course keep you informed.

On Wednesday last week a representative from each of the groups who were chosen as finalists for Enterprising Young Person in the Rossendale Business Awards attended the awards ceremony at The Riverside, Whitworth. Millie Hardiker collected the certificate on behalf of the Fearn's Enterprise Challenge Team and Lizzie Mawson for the Fearn's Premier League Challenge Team. Both teams deserved their places in the final and are an absolute credit to the school. Well done to all involved. Thank you to Liz Henson Photography for the photo.

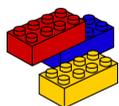


Last Friday some of our Year 7 and 8 pupils planted 420 tree saplings in school grounds. This was a wonderful opportunity and one where we all had a lot of fun. The trees were donated by the Woodlands Trust as part of the Green Tree Schools Award. The Woodlands Trust is working to promote woodland, preserve woods and help wildlife survive. Alongside this initiative we have increased our recycling and are currently encouraging our pupils to reduce CO² emissions by walking to school, car-pooling where possible and turning off all electrical items when not in use. We have been awarded the Bronze Award for our

efforts which we are incredibly proud of. Over the coming months we will be working towards obtaining the Silver Award. To achieve this we need photographs of your favourite outside view in the valley; if you would like to take part please feel free to send your photos in. We are also looking for a 'Woodlands Ambassador', if your child is interested please ask them to come and see Mrs Parker. Finally, we are asking for your stories, we could earn enough points to gain the Gold Award with your super stories, videos, art or audio piece about wildlife, woods or the countryside, the more imaginative the better. This project is vital for the wellbeing of our beautiful countryside and we hope you will join us in our quest. Please also try and take a look at our baby trees situated just behind the astro turf pitches.



The Year 8 boys finished in 3rd place last week in the U14s Rossendale badminton competition. They competed extremely well against the other schools despite most of their players being a year older than our team. The boys involved were James Runnalls, Gary Walker, Tyler-James Munday and Harris Dobbs. Congratulations to all.



Lego Club is back by popular demand. Open to Years 7 and 8, Wednesday lunchtime in the library.

As the festive season approaches, we have launched the annual Festive Winter Gift programme to support the most vulnerable people in our communities. Throughout the campaign, we will support those in our communities – young and old – who are unwell, elderly, homeless or living in care, and those experiencing loneliness or food poverty. We would like every person in our community to receive some festive cheer – be it a gift, a visit or a festive meal – we are asking our children and their families to help this year's Festive Winter Gift initiative. As well as benefitting vulnerable people this winter, our pupils will also benefit from their involvement by experiencing first-hand the positive impact of helping those less fortunate. You can help by sending appropriate new gifts for the elderly or homeless. Years 7 and 8 will be visiting with Mrs L Stead and Mrs L Parker throughout December. If you can help please send gifts in no later than Monday 3rd December. As always may we take this opportunity to thank our wonderful parents and pupils who are always extremely charitable and without your continued support we would not be able to make these small wishes come true.



We have received a thank you message from The Royal British Legion for the donations to their poppy appeal from pupils and staff. The total amount raised by Fearn's was £107.77. All donations enable them to continue with the vital welfare and benevolent work they do.

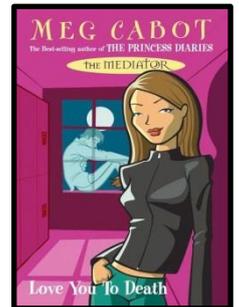


Bert the Bookworm Recommends...

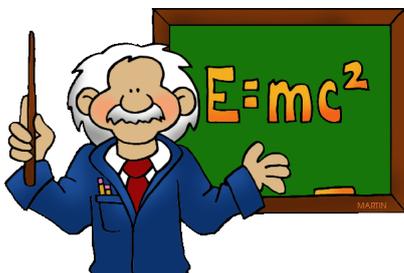
The Mediator – Love you to death

I liked this book because it told a mesmerising story of Suze and the troubles she goes through when she sees ghosts. The story keeps you reading with its cliff hangers and urges you to carry on. I would totally recommend this.

Eva Heywood – 7F



Numeracy Question



The answer to last week's numeracy question is 36.

This week's numeracy question is: How many circles with a radius of 1cm can be drawn inside a circle with a radius of 7cm?

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Mrs Stead'.

Mrs H Stead
Headteacher