21st April **2023**



St Mary's and St Benedict's RC Primary School

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	Star of the Week	Reader of the Week
Beesley	Kingsley and Ava	Tíana
Benedict	Chloe and Alicja	Francesca
Finch	Raísa and Jason	Joshua
Haydock	Teddy and Aryia	Theon
Mary	Esme and Charlie R	Athena
Marsden	Henry and Callum	Jackson
Rigby	Luca and Johnny	Maisy
Roe	Amy and Iga	Chloe
Southworth	Annabel and Kyle	Elektra
Ward	Natania and Poppy	Mía H-W
Woodcock	Freya and Olíver Sa	Alex







Earth Day 22nd April 2023 - To celebrate Earth Day this year our focus is on Plastic Pollution and next week children will be doing activities in class linking to this most pressing environmental issue. Please look out for photos coming soon!

We are also running a photo competition called 'Where in the World?' for which we are encouraging children to submit a photo to challenge their classmates to try and guess where in the world the photo was taken. This could be one taken in our local area, or from a trip out of the area this weekend or a previous trip/holiday. The most creative one from each class will enter our whole school competition and used as part of our celebration assembly on Friday 28th April. Prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place entries. Please can children submit their entries to: eco@smsb.lancs.sch.uk by Thursday 27th April and please remember to include their full name and their class on the email.

Year 6 Residential Trip – Please remember the balance for this is due Friday 12th May. We only have a few places left so if you missed the deposit deadline and you would still like your child to go, please let us know as soon as possible.



Community Larder – Please continue to support our local food bank by bringing into school an item of food each week. The Community Larder is situated at the back of St Aidan's Church Hall on Station Road and provides food and support to individuals and families from Bamber Bridge, Clayton - le-Woods, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale. It is open Monday – Friday 9:30am – 11:30am and is dependent upon food donations from local Christian communities and schools. Thank you for your continued donations.

Industrial Action by Members of NEU - Further intended strike days are Thursday 27^{th} April and Tuesday 2^{nd} May. We have already sent a message home that we intend school to be open as normal on these days.