

# Newsletter – 17 May 2024

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#### **Author focus**

Katherine Rundell is a bestselling author whose novels for children include: The Wolf Wilder, The Explorer and The Good Thieves.

She has recently been named author of the year at the British Book Awards - the first time in six years that a children's writer has picked up the accolade.

Rundell's latest release, fantasy adventure Impossible Creatures, also won the prize for children's fiction book of the year.

Rundell is the first children's writer to be crowned author of the year since Philip Pullman in 2018.

Impossible Creatures is the first novel in a new trilogy by Rundell, and was also named Waterstones book of the year for 2023.

#### Y6 SATs

Massive congratulations to our Y6 children this week as they approached their SATs with confidence and determination. We are very proud of their attitude and hope they get the results their hard work deserves. It has been heart-warming to see the support they have given each other this week — I'm sure they will miss their cooked breakfast every day. Thank you to all the staff involved in making this happen.

### **INSET** day

We break up on Friday 24 May and return on **Tuesday 4 June**: Monday 3 June is an INSET day!

#### Caton gala

A reminder that tomorrow is Caton gala day. This is always a wonderful community event and it would be great to see you all there. Children who want to take part in the parade need to meet by the parade ring at 11:50am: fancy dress is optional/encouraged and the theme is 'The Olympics'. The parade should take about 10 minutes and there are prizes for best dressed at different ages.

The choir will be singing on the main stage at around 1pm.

We also have some children who are involved in the parade as attendants: congratulations to them all.

The PTA will be running a stall to raise funds for school. This will have 2 games on it: win a £50 note, and the ever-popular 'lolly stick pick.' Come and say hello, and have a go.

Thank you to Julie Pearson and her army of PTA volunteers for helping to run the stall tomorrow.

See you there for a lovely day out!

### On Site

We are still struggling with people coming on site after hours. We have CCTV footage and will be providing this to the police. Please report any sightings to 101 or via the online form.

<u>Hannah.mason@Lancashire.police.uk</u> is the contact for our local PCSO, although you can't report a crime this way.



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# Family worship

This afternoon, the children who sang at St Paul's on Sunday will be singing for us in family worship — it's a beautiful song so come and see us if you can.

A reminder that next week is Eucharist, led by Reverend Helen. All welcome; you don't have to take communion to attend.

# Pre-loved school uniform PTA

The PTA will be selling pre-loved uniform after school today on the KS2 playground. This is good quality uniform that has been donated by parents and is on sale at prices ranging from 50p to £1. Cash only. Please take this opportunity to replenish your uniform stocks at home.

## Prayer square

Huge thank you to Julie and Dave Pearson who have worked tirelessly to transform some logs and made cushions to go in our prayer square. Once we take delivery of a storyteller chair, we will set up a reading area in the prayer square for our children to use.

### Coniston parents evening

Y5 parents: please join us in the school hall on Monday 20 May at 6:00pm for a Coniston information evening. This residential is the first week after half term so it is important you know all the details.

#### **VIPs**

A massive CSP well done to all our super VIPS this week.

**Diamond** - Myles W for always listening carefully and trying his best. Well done!

**Ruby** – Grace C for working hard to improve her handwriting and using Maths vocabulary to explain new learning.

**Topaz** – Ellie B for fantastic work in maths and always working hard and being an excellent role model to others.

**Emerald** - Olivia H for her amazing style and description in her writing about The Firework Maker's Daughter.

**Sapphire** – Sam D for working hard on his English writing and trying to experiment with more adventurous vocabulary.

**Amethyst** – All of Year 6 For working so hard this week: demonstrating resilience, focus and maturity – we could not be prouder of you, well done.

# Fathers Day Breakfast

We will be having our Fathers Day Breakfast on Friday 14 June at 9am. Please can you return your order form and cash payment to the office by Friday 24 May at the latest. Thank you.

## School shoes

We have lots of children attending school in trainers at the moment. Please ensure your child has appropriate shoes for school. Let us know if you need any financial assistance with this.