



## NEWSLETTER

XII Apostles RCPS, Nel Pan Lane, Leigh, Wigan WN7 5JS School Web Site: [www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk](http://www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk)  
Headteacher: Mrs S. M. Newton BA Hons QTS 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Happy New Year



We are now going to send the newsletter out every fortnight on a **Friday** so that we include the current star of the week.

#### School Crossing Patrol

The situation with cars speeding down Nel Pan Lane, before and after school has once again been raised as a safety concern to our school community. This is an ongoing issue and we have been assessed by the council as a grade C school and therefore not a priority for the limited number of staff available. Wigan Council have repeatedly advertised for individuals to join the Road Safety and School Crossing Patrol Service Team which has resulted in no interest.

If you or anyone you know is interested in this position, you can opt to patrol at Twelve Apostles school, please ring 07968855932 for details or visit [www.greater.jobs](http://www.greater.jobs) to apply.

**Salary: Grade 3, £3,995 - £4,156 per annum. £9.36 - £9.74 per hour.**

**10 hours per week, term time, working 38 weeks per year.**



### Stars of the Week



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Can I congratulate the following children for being shining stars:

- Reception – Olivia S and Charlie H
- Year 1 – Jenson J and Lily R
- Year 2 – Brian D and Frankie P
- Year 3 – Ruby J and Kaiden C
- Year 4 – Ruby R and Tommy L
- Year 5 – Harvey J and Evie D
- Year 6 – Lily H and Ceira B

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

- Reception – Arthur B and Harley-Bow E
- Year 1 – Archie B
- Year 2 – Phoebe S
- Year 3 – Bliss M-O
- Year 4 – Ethan H
- Year 5 – Kamil M
- Year 6 – Whole Class

### ATTENDANCE MATTERS



In school



On time

#### Week Commencing: 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Reception	94.87%	Year 1	96.35%
Year 2	97.30%	Year 3	90.87%
Year 4	72.33%	Year 5	<b>99.67%</b>
Year 6	97.64%		

#### Week Commencing: 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 (3 day week)

Reception	86.84%	Year 1	89.77%
Year 2	<b>91.36%</b>	Year 3	91.03%
Year 4	85.71%	Year 5	90.74%
Year 6	91.11%		

### COVID Update

A letter has been sent out with a full COVID update and a quick guide for parents and carers. This can also be found on the school web site.

### Temporary suspension of confirmatory PCR tests in education and childcare settings

Confirmatory PCR testing following a positive result on a lateral flow device (LFD) will be temporarily suspended from 11th January. This means that all staff and children who have tested and reported a positive LFT result will no longer be advised to get a confirmatory PCR test.

This change is informed by public health advice. With high COVID-19 rates, the risk of a positive LFT result being false is very small. We therefore don't need to ask people to do a confirmatory PCR unless they:

- have symptoms (in which case they need to follow the stay at home guidance, self-isolate and order a PCR test)
- wish to claim the Test and Trace Support Payment
- have been advised to take a PCR test because they are in a clinically vulnerable group
- have been advised to do so as part of a research or surveillance programme.

### Reminder Reception Admissions

If your child is due to start school in September 2022, the deadline for applications is this Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January. If you want your child to come to Twelve Apostles or any other Catholic school, please ensure you have completed the supplementary faith form.

### Mental Health Week

7<sup>th</sup> February – 12<sup>th</sup> February

This year's Children's Mental Health Week is taking place on 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and the theme is Growing Together.

Place2Be launched Children's Mental Health Week in 2015 to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health.

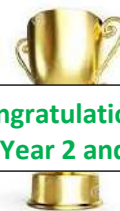
Place2Be encourages children, young people and adults to look after their bodies and their minds.

To mark the week, we have lots of things planned so watch this space.

To find out more please visit the web site .....

### Week Commencing: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Reception	89.91%	Year 1	95.16%
Year 2	93.70%	Year 3	93.33%
Year 4	<b>98.26%</b>	Year 5	90.60%
Year 6	89.17%		



**Congratulations**  
**Year 5, Year 2 and Year 4**

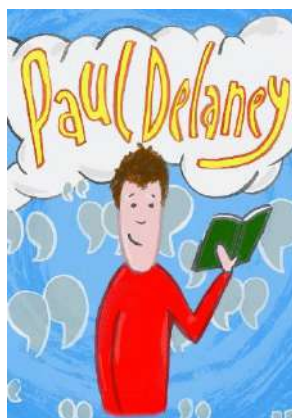
### Shine Day - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January

We are delighted to have the author, poet, writer and musician Paul Delaney visiting school and delivering workshops to each class next week. This will be a day of reflection for our children, through words and music. The day will be exploring our unique spirits, diversity and our connection to the mystery of GOD. It will be a day where we say THANK YOU to God, through poetry and music, singing BRAND NEW hymns and old favourites. The children will also be reading Pauls poetry and writing poems of their own.

Please ask your child about the day.

### Healthy Relationship Workshops Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022

All children will be taking part in healthy relationship sessions which will be delivered by Wigan Borough Domestic Abuse Service. These are age appropriate, curriculum based sessions, written by Women's Aid and are designed to explore issues around



relationships and give children and young people opportunities to discuss elements of healthy and unhealthy relationships. A letter will be sent out by the team following the workshops.

### [Parents & Carers | Children's Mental Health Week 2022](#)

Take a look at our Children's Mental Health Week resources for parents and carers.

[www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk](http://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk)

## [Place2Be: Parenting Smart: Articles](#)

Parenting Smart offers practical advice for parents and carers of children aged 5-11. All of the content is created by Place2Be's parenting experts. It's based on evidence and their experiences working with children, young people and their families.



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