



Livingstone Newsletter

3rd July 2026

Star of the Week:

Nursery: Casper

Year 3: Darcey

Reception: Sonny

Year 4: Evie

Year 1: Ava

Year 5: Myla

Year 2: Arlo

Year 6: Y6 all on transition

Well done to all our stars of the week!

Clubs:

Debate club is now finished for the rest of the year. All other clubs are on as normal next week.

Email Addresses:

We will be sending out end of year reports in July by email. Please make sure we have your correct email address at the office.

If parents are separated, and both want a copy of the report then we will need both email addresses. Thank you

Y5 visit to Andrew Street Pond:

Year 5 will be visiting Andrew street pond on Monday 6th July in the afternoon. This will be a chance to find out about another habitat and discover the plants and animals that thrive there. The visit will be lead by Incredible Edible Mossley.

Y5 Mayan Cookery:

Year 5 will be going up to MHHS on Thursday 9th July to cook a Mayan inspired meal as part of their DT learning. Half the class will go in the morning and half in the afternoon. A separate letter will be sent out to Year 5s today but essentially they will be back by the end of the day.

Reception Pirate Party:

Reception are having their Pirate Party on Friday 10th July. A separate letter has been sent out to Reception parents and carers.

Sports Day:

We had a great day at Sports day and well done to all of the children competing with a huge smile and enjoying themselves even if they didn't win each race! This is the positive attitude we like to see.

However, there are still winners.....

In KS1 (Y1-Y2) it was the Red team.

In KS2 (Y3-Y6) it was the Yellow team.

Well done to all the winners.

Delay to the return of Y6 SATs results:

We were contacted yesterday by the DFE to say that SATs results that were due to be returned to school on Tuesday 7th July will not now be returned to school until Thursday 16th July. This is due to the marking of the tests and is nothing to do with school. All Y6 SATs results across the country are delayed until this date. This means that SATs results will then be in the reports which will be sent home by email on Friday 17th July.

Pledge a Pound day:

On Thursday 16th July we are involved in a fundraiser called 'Pledge a Pound'. This initiative is being delivered in partnership with Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust and their charity, Pennine Care Charity, to support and promote positive mental health and wellbeing for our pupils. As part of this initiative, pupils will take part in a guided mindfulness activity designed to support their wellbeing and encourage positive mental health.

The event will take place on **Thursday 16th July**, and we invite pupils to bring in a £1 donation on the day. The suggested donation is £1 however, families are welcome to contribute more if they wish, although this is entirely voluntary. Please

note that this contribution is not mandatory, and we fully understand that not all families may be in a position to contribute. Every child is welcome to take part regardless.

All proceeds raised will go directly towards supporting the school to enhance its existing mental health and wellbeing offer for pupils, building on the support already provided through Tameside Mental Health Support Team (Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust). This will enable the school to introduce additional resources and activities, such as wellbeing and care packs, alongside further practical support and engagement opportunities that help young people develop positive coping strategies, improve resilience, and access early support when needed.

Children being left at school too early:

We have some children who are being brought to school by an adult but then left in the playground on their own between 8.30am when the gate opens and 8.45am when the doors open. Staff are not supervising the playground at this time and we are only responsible for children once we open the doors at 8.45am. If children were to have an accident or to leave the playground at this point, we would not be aware of this. Children remain the responsibility of the adult who has brought them to school until we open the doors. Please do NOT leave your child in the playground before this point.

Free School Meal changes from September:

The DfE are making changes to the way in which Free School Meals are checked and who qualifies for them from September. From September 2026, there will be more pupils who qualify for Free School Meals (FSM) as national eligibility criteria expand.

There will be 2 categories of benefits-based free school meals:

- **Targeted FSM** – Which will be based on the existing threshold covering pupils who are in households in receipt of Universal Credit with annual household earnings of £7,400 or less. These pupils will attract pupil premium funding so they will not only qualify for Free school meals but also be eligible for free educational visits and holiday activities through Active Tameside etc.
- **Expanded FSM** – a new category covering pupils who do not qualify for targeted FSM, but who are in households receiving Universal Credit. These children will only be entitled to a free school meal. They will not receive other funding so will not be eligible for free educational visits etc.

Previously, once a child qualifies for FSM, this will continue until they reach the end of primary school. Now, households must meet the FSM eligibility criteria from the start of the 2026 – 2027 academic year. We will be required to check eligibility on an annual basis going forwards.

Universal Free School meals for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue as previously and will not be affected by this change.

We are now starting the process of completing checks for those children who currently receive FSM. In the next few weeks, we may ask you to complete a form if we need the information to complete a check.

If you receive Universal Credit but do not currently receive FSM, please come to the office to collect a form so that we have your details to complete the check.

School Streets:



We are **desperately** in need of more volunteers especially for September when several of our current helpers will be finishing as their children leave school.

If we are to keep the scheme running and keep our children safe on the way to and from school, we really need more volunteers. Training is given and children can come into Littlestones for free whilst you are on the barrier.

Please consider whether you can spare half an hour a week to help keep our children safe.

Nursery lists for future years:

If you have a child under 3 and you haven't yet added them to our Nursery lists please do so! We maintain these lists for future years so that we can then offer places to those on the lists. Please do let us know if you'd like to add your child to the list – they are never too young!

Water safety:

Many classes have been discussing water safety after the incident last week in the local reservoir. If you want to also discuss this with your child, you might find this page and videos useful <https://www.unitedutilities.com/my-local-area/parks-and-reservoirs/acres-of-nature/reservoir-safety/> Please watch it first before sharing with your child to check it is appropriate as it is designed for older children.

SchoolGrid school meal ordering:

Remember to order your child's meal on School Grid. If there's no choice marked, they will get the default option which is a jacket potato with a choice of filling. The cut off time for orders on the day is 8.55am.



Tesco Tokens:

If you shop at Tesco in Greenfield or the Shaw Express store, please look out for Livingstone appearing in the blue tokens vote! We have a 'Power Up Our Playground' project that the school council have been working on to 'Help us transform our empty playground into a vibrant, active space by funding essential equipment that will inspire play, friendship, and healthy futures for every child'. Please do take a token after you have shopped and put it in our box! Please also spread the word with anyone who shops in Greenfield or Shaw. We will be voted on until the end of July 2026.

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Active travel survey:

Take part in this survey to share your experiences of walking, wheeling, or cycling to primary school, and what could make it better.

Our school has agreed to take part in a project about walking, wheeling and cycling to school. The survey is run by the National Centre for Social Research (NatCen), Britain's largest social research organisation. NatCen are running the survey for Active Travel England, who work to make walking, wheeling and cycling a safe and attractive choice for everyday trips. The online survey should take around 10 minutes and should be completed by **31st August 2026**. To take part, please use the following link: https://survey.natcen.ac.uk/mriWeb/mriWeb.dll?I.Project=P2042601_MAI_V1&i.user1=118344

Please note:

- Taking part is your choice.
- There are no right or wrong answers.
- You can complete the survey once for each child in **reception, year 1, year 5 or year 6**.
- Your child does not have to regularly walk, wheel or cycle to school for you to take part in the survey.

What will I be asked?

- How you travel to school.
- What helps or makes it hard to walk, wheel or cycle to school.
- What you think about changes to help children travel actively to school.

More information about the project and what taking part involves can be found in the [Taking part page](#), [privacy notice](#) and [plain English privacy notice](#).

You can also email ASTSurvey@natcen.ac.uk or call 0808 168 1356 for more information.

Dame Rachel de Souza, Children's Commissioner survey of all young people:

As Children's Commissioner, I am writing to ask you to ensure all of your children complete my new survey, [The Big Future](#).

Under the Children Act 2004, it is my role to promote the views and interests of children in England.

Now, for the first time, hundreds of thousands of children will be eligible to vote in the next general election, the biggest change to the franchise in half a century. Yet just one in five children say politicians listen to them. That's why I'm launching my final survey, The Big Future.

Your students should complete the survey here: <http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>.

I want to make sure that I hear from as many children as possible, aged 0-18, from all backgrounds, in all schools and colleges, and in every part of the country.

I am asking children about the changes they want to see in their communities, their biggest concerns, and their hopes for the future. More than anything, I want to know what they think a good childhood should look like today.

I am asking you to share the survey with all the children, parents and carers in your school or college community. Schools and colleges that achieve high participation rates will receive formal recognition for their contribution to amplifying children's voices and encouraging civic engagement, and a summary of their pupils' responses.

I will be publishing my findings next year, and they will be used to advocate at the highest level for solutions that children want to see, to the problems that they tell me are most important to them.

Thank you for your support.

Dame Rachel de Souza,
Children's Commissioner

Diary Dates

Monday 6th July: Year 5 visiting Andrew Street Pond pm

Wednesday 8th July – Reading champions celebration @ Dukinfield Town Hall

Thursday 9th July – Mayan Cookery Y5 @ MHHS; Current Reception Stay and Play

Friday 10th July – Reception Pirate Party; next year's Year 2 transition session with Miss Deer

Monday 13th July – Primary Olympics – Y3,4,5,6

Tuesday 14th July – Brass band workshop for Y6; Y6 performance 6pm

Wednesday 15th July – Y6 performance 6pm

Thursday 16th July – Mental Health – Pledge a Pound day; current Nursery stay and play 9am

Friday 17th July – Non-uniform day to raise funds for Friends of Livingstone; end of year reports sent out

Wednesday 22nd July – Celebration evening 3.30pm come and look at your child's work from over the year

Thursday 23rd July – Leavers Do 5.30-7.30pm

Friday 24th July – Leavers assembly 2pm; End of term 3.15pm

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