OUR LADY OF PITY OCTOBER 2018



# School Newsletter

#### A HIVE OF INDUSTRY...



## Every day a chance to learn something new...

This school is unique... A hive of industry.

The daily buzz begins with early starts for sport, yoga, Lexia and more. Demanding lessons sparking interest in the world around us. Exciting after school opportunities round off the busy day. And all the while, the children learn tolerance, understanding and resilience... for life. Every day is precious. Every day a new challenge. Every day a chance to learn something new.

### Notices...

**Dance workshops** are coming up on the 19th October from 2:15 - 3pm. From "Footloose" to "The Twist", come and see what the children have been learning this half term.

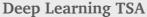
**Reading:** Thank you for attending parents' meetings. Our focus this year is on getting every single child reading every single day. Bookworms are in! Reading lists will be appearing on the website after half term. Make sure that your child has time to read. It really is, the most important thing.

**Screens** - please have at least one, screen free day every week. We are noticing the impact of screentired eyes and jittery 'Fortnite' brains.

Fruit in KS2: This is going very well. We will be phasing out toast and after half term will sell only fruit. Lunches are going from strength to strength, with numbers increasing daily. Watch out for our Halloween themed lunch on October 31st.



Children in Need: We have decided to celebrate the Harvest season by donating money to CIN. If every child and every member of staff brings in a two pound coin, we could raise £1000 for this worthwhile cause. Is it possible? Please send in coins from Monday 15th October.



As the lead school in our Teaching School Alliance, we continue to work across the north west - the maths team is currently leading a project with secondary schools to develop transition effectiveness.

PTA - watch out for coffee mornings, Halloween competitions and much, much more...



#### **Cultivating Curiosity**

Year group visits to the Green Woodpecker Trail at Royden Park have begun and the children are taking a keen interest in researching the answers to questions they raise whilst they are there. The children have noticed a strange rust-coloured covering on tree trunks currently and are wondering what is causing that? Is it damaging the trees? Why haven't we seen it before?



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