

## AUTUMN TERM

8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

## Values at Stepping Stones

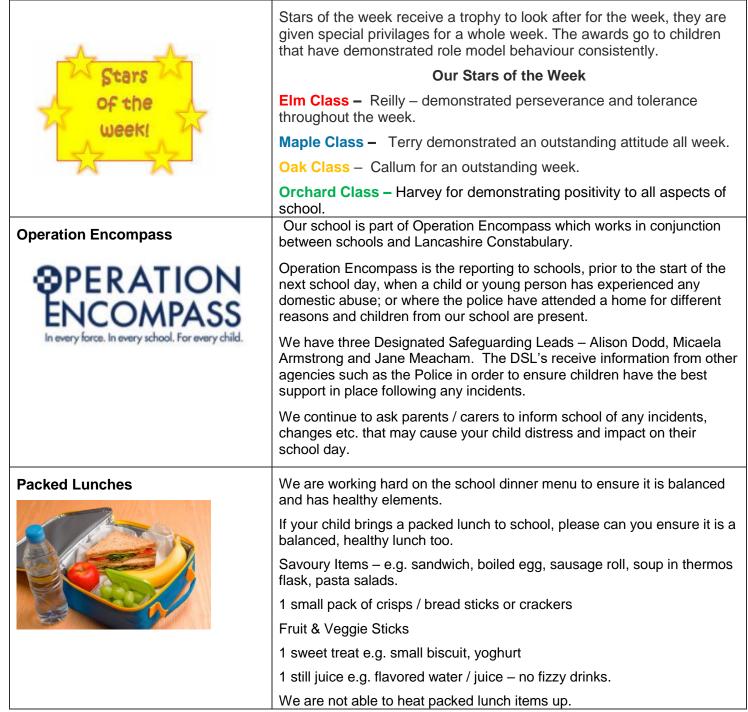
## The Value of the Week is Kindness

We are focusing on the value of kindness this week. We will focus on showing kindness to other people. This week it is also World Values Theme Week. Additional values activities will take place this week.

We are making and sending cards for kindness to Nazareth House Care Home.

We will be painting and decorating pebbles with affirmations and positive messages on. We will be taking a small group of children out to hide these in the local area.

You can promote this value at home and message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination which will be read out and celebrated at Daily Meeting.



School Lunches	As many of you are aware we are not part of the Lancashire County Council Catering Service. We design our school menu around the children's food preferences. Since September this has been a huge success. At times the menu may seem repetitive but we are focusing on what the children like and will eat.
	The children make their initial choices on a Friday to gauge numbers but are then asked to confirm their choice daily.
	We cook to their order and have very little waste. Since doing this we have had a higher number of children eating fresh fruit and vegetables daily.
	We have reduced the amount of processed food served on a weekly basis. School Dinners are £2.30 per day, please put the money in a named envelope so that it can be accounted for by the school office.
Outdoor Coats	It is really important that every child has a winter coat coming into school every day. The children need movement breaks and need to be busy therefore we try to get them outside in all weathers.
	Hats, scarves and gloves will also be required as we head into winter.
COVID	As you are aware we have recently had a higher number of children and staff testing positive for COVID.
COVID-19	If you get a positive LFT test you should isolate, get a PCR test and wait the result.
Update	If you have symptoms you should seek a PCR test. If you are a contact of someone you can carry on with daily life but should seek a PCR test within 3-5 days of contact. We have to report all positive cases to Public Health England and we are guided by their advice. If we continue to see and increase we may have to revert back to class bubbles.
Fortnite and Online Chats	We are aware that a high number of children are online in the evening gaming and chatting to each other.
	Whilst we accept this is part of children's lives we ask that parents / carers are present whilst their children are gaming and monitoring the conversations.
PATREON 12	Some of this has been spilling over and impacting on school, therefore please set appropriate boundaries and rules for your child's screen time.
Class Dojo	We use class dojo to share achievements, learning photos and to upload newsletters and information.
🥏 ClassDojo	Please can all parents ensure that they have class dojo on their mobile devices.
	If you need a new activation code to connect to your child's class then please contact the school office.
Diary Dates	
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Christmas – New Year Closures	
School Closes on Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	
School Opens on Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	
Thank You for your continued support.	
Have a good week	
Mrs Dodd and the team at Stepping Stones	