

Shadsworth Infant School Newsletter

Friday 5th July 2024



Education is not optional! There is an expectation that children are in school everyday!

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

1 FIRST OFFENCE

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

2 SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after **19th August 2024**.

3 THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.



Message from Mrs Crompton



It's been a fun filled Health and Fitness week! Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) enjoyed a fabulous Sports day on Tuesday. We will hold the rearranged EYFS (Reception) Sports Day next Monday afternoon after it was very wet this

Monday. All the children have enjoyed UV Dodgeball, Yoga, Meditation, Dance, Gymnastics and Football Skills with a specialist coach. It's been busy!! We have talked about how to keep our bodies and minds healthy too. Talk to your children about which activity they enjoyed the most.

Reception had lovely trips to the beach, RB had all the sunshine and it was a little windy for RM but everyone came back smiling.

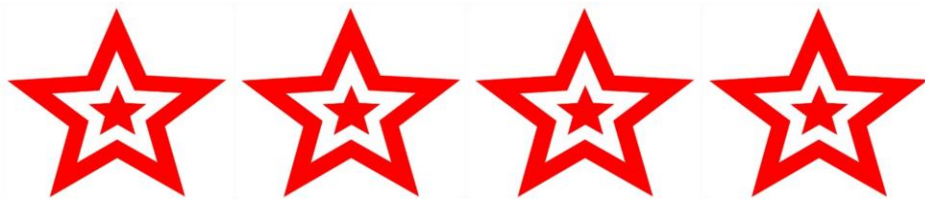
There is an expectation that children are in school everyday! Here is this week's attendance and lates.

This week's Attendance and Lates



Class	%	Lates
RB	88	2
RM	96	5
1J	89	2
1W	88	3
2H	96	5
2GH	90	5
Total	91	22

Shadsworth StarsThis week we said 'Well Done' to



Class	Good Work	Good News
RB	Olek S	Graycie -Leigh K
RM	Lucas G-L	Georgie G
1J	Skylar H	Isaac W-B
1W	Maya S	Makkiyah F
2H	Maya F	Arwen G
2GH	Eli D	Adesewa Y

Headteacher Award goes to	Luna-Rain C Class 1J
Lunchtime Award goes to	Finley P Class 1W



Dates for your diary



DAY	TIME	EVENT
Monday 8 th July 2024	During School time	Reception Class Vision Screening
Monday 8 th July 2024	2.00pm	Nursery/Reception EYFS Sports Day Weather Permitting
Wednesday 10 th July 2024	During school time	Nursery Fun Day in School AM and PM Nursery Children attend 10.00am-1.00pm Fulltime Nursery Children attend as normal
Wednesday 10 th July 2024	8.45am- 9.45am	SEND Coffee Morning with Mrs Grafton
Thursday 11 th July 2024	9.00am	Class 1J Assembly
Friday 12 th July 2024	9.00am	Class RM Assembly
Monday 15 th July 2024	3.20pm	School Reports sent home
Thursday 18 th July 2024	9.00am	Year 2 Leavers Assembly
Friday 19 th July 2024	1.30pm School closes for halfterm	Non-Uniform Day - Please bring £1 - thank you for your continued support
Wednesday 4 th September 2024	8.00am for Breakfast Club 8.35am Soft Start 8.45am for Learning	Year 1's, Year 2's and Rising 3's - School Re-Opens
Wednesday 4 th Thursday & 5 th September 2024	Various Times	Nursery Home Visits
Wednesday 4 th and Thursday 5 th September 2024	Various Times	Reception Home Visits
Friday 6 th September 2024	Doors open @ 8.35am	New Reception children start school at 8.45am doors open from 8.35am for a soft start to the day
Friday 6 th September 2024	Various Times	Nursery children staggered starts with all children being in Nursery for Tuesday 10 th September 2024
Thursday 26 th September 2024	8.30am	School Photo Day Individual/Families

Nursery Places Available for September 2024!



For enquiries, admissions or to arrange a visit, please call 01254 698002 or email:
office@shadsworthinfant.blackburn.sch.uk 15hr Part- Time and 30hr Full- Time Places For more
information about our Teacher led Available Nursery, visit:
<https://www.shadsworthinfants.co.uk>



As you are aware we use ParentMail for our communication. Please download the App to receive notifications to enable you to keep up to date on school communications and completion of relevant documents etc. Also, please check out our school facebook page.

SEND




Mrs Grafton our school SENCo will be holding a Parent/Carer, SEND Coffee Morning on Wednesday 10th July 2024 in school @ 8.45am-9.45am **We look forward to seeing you there.**


FREE Summer Lunches available from the hub's mentioned in the summer lunches flyer



Take a look at our EYFS Picture News week commencing 1st July 2024


What's happening in the news this week?

 **Picture News**
In the Early Years

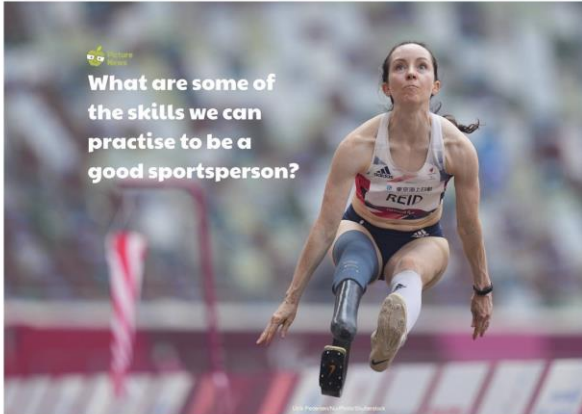


Let's have a look at this week's poster!

1st - 7th July 2024

 **Picture News**

What are some of the skills we can practise to be a good sportsperson?



Let's look at this week's story



The 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be held in Paris, France throughout July, August and September.

Think about: Have you heard of the Olympic or Paralympic Games before? What do you know about them?

The Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games are big sporting events that usually happen every four years. Lots of people from all over the world will travel to the Games to take part in their chosen event, in the hope that they will win a medal and become the best at that sport. There are many different sports that people can take part in at the Games.

Think about: Can you think of any sports that might be part of the Olympic or Paralympic Games?

The person in the picture is Stef Reid MBE. She is a British Paralympic sprinter and long jumper and has previously won silver medals at the Paralympic Games.

Think about: What do you know about the sport, long jump? Do you think this is an easy or quite tricky sport? What do you think Stef needed to do to become one of the best Long jumpers?

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This week's story looks at events related to ...



How does it make me feel?



Have you heard any new words?



Write any new words here and talk about what they mean 



To be really good at a sport takes lots and lots of practice. Look at some of the skills needed to do different sports.



running



balancing



using a bat and ball



throwing and catching



jumping



swimming

Which of these skills do you think you are good at? Which do you find more difficult?

If you are good at and enjoy running, which sports would suit you?

What about jumping, throwing and catching or balancing?

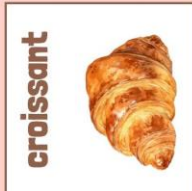


Can you write the rules for your own Olympic Game?

My game rules

1. _____

2. _____



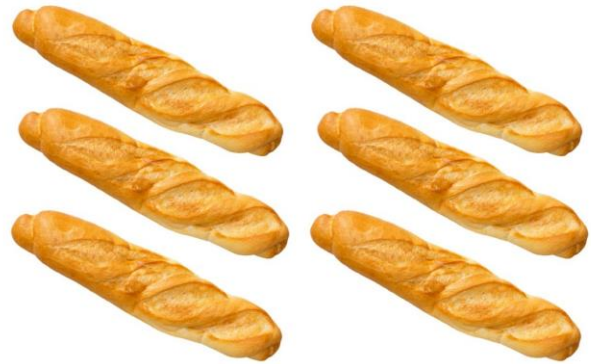
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Weekly vocabulary



Speaking and Listening	Writing	Outdoor	Role-play and Maths	Cutting and Sticking
Olympic Games Paralympic Games Paris France sporting event athletes travel win medal gold silver bronze sprinter long jumper skills running balancing throwing catching jumping	write rules own game play fair next won winner second third team each person competition	Olympics Paralympics game sport running skipping jumping balancing teams competitors rules first then equipment How?	Paris France boulangerie bakery sell buy cost money count croissants pain au chocolat pain aux raisins baguette bake altogether How many?	Eiffel Tower build make famous landmarks tall cut shape attach parts stick glue strong paint

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Picture News In the Early Years

Speaking and Listening

Birth to 3 Months: Shows confidence in speaking to others about familiar people, events, interests and objects in the world.

Look at the Picture News poster: What can you see? What do you like about this picture? What do you think this person is doing? Where do you think this week's news story could be all about?

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Think about: Can you think of any sports that you might be good at? Which of the Olympic or Paralympic Games?

The person in the picture is **Shafiq MBE**. He is a British Paralympic sprinter and long jumper and has previously won silver medals at the Paralympic Games.

Think about: What do you know about the sport long jump? Do you think this is an easy or quite tricky sport? What do you think Shafiq needed to do to become one of the best long jumpers?

Question: What are some of the skills we can practice to be a good sportsperson?

The people who compete in the Olympic and Paralympic Games are the best people in the world at their sport. To be really good at a sport takes lots and lots of practice.

Look at the EY Resource, which shows some of the skills needed to do different sports.

Think about: Which of these skills do you think you are good at? Which do you find more difficult? If you are good at an easy running, which sports would suit you best? About jumping, throwing and catching or balancing?

Outdoor

Can you make up your own Olympic or Paralympic game?

Birth to 3 Months: Shows confidence in speaking to others about familiar people, events, interests and objects in the world.

There are so many sports and games in the Olympics and Paralympics and sometimes new ones are brought in. Imagine you are in charge of bringing a new game or sport... or of bringing a new game or sport...

Think about: What sort of game would you like to bring to the Olympics or Paralympics?

Paralympics? wonder if it will involve running, jumping, throwing and catching or maybe lots of different things altogether? What will you need to set up your game? Will people be in teams or play on their own? What do the people making the competition need to do? Where do they start their game? Can you explain to your friends how to play?

Resources: Hoops, beanbags, balls, wooden blocks, cones, tyre, clipboards, paper and pens.

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Writing

Can you write the rules for your own Olympic game?

Birth to 3 Months: Shows confidence in speaking to others about familiar people, events, interests and objects in the world.

After making up their own game or sport for the Olympic or Paralympic Games, children should try to write down the rules of the game so that everyone knows how to play and to make sure it is fair.

Think about: Do you have a game for your game or sport? What will it be called? What do you need before the game can begin? Can you write down the rules of the game? What is the first rule? How will you know who has won the game? Can you think of any more rules? What will happen if someone cheats?

Resources: Rules of game, proforma (see EY Resource 1), pencils, paper mats.

Cutting and Sticking

Can you build your own Eiffel Tower?

Birth to 3 Months: Shows confidence in speaking to others about familiar people, events, interests and objects in the world.

Ask the children if they know any famous landmarks in Paris. Show the children a picture of the Eiffel Tower.

Think about: Has anyone ever seen the Eiffel Tower or been up it before? Would you like to? Wonder how many steps there are to get to the top? Can we make our own Eiffel Tower? What can we use to make it? How big should we make it? What shape would you say it is? How will you attach the different parts to it strongly enough? How can we make it stronger? Does it need painting?

Resources: Cardboard, scissors, tape, glue.

Can you take on the role of working in a boulangerie?

Birth to 3 Months: Shows confidence in speaking to others about familiar people, events, interests and objects in the world.

Go up to see if there are any bakers groups that the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games are going to be taking place in Paris, France. Ask the children if they have ever been to France before and what they already know about France. Discuss: What in France, they have bakers known as boulangeries. Have they got French sticks, croissants, pain au chocolat and many other delicious things.

Role-play and Maths

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Think about: Can we make our own boulangerie? What will we need? What will we sell? How much shall we charge for each one? Wonder if we will get any customers? What would this customer like? How many croissants do they need? Can you carefully count out the correct number for them? How many French sticks did they want? How many items are they buying altogether? How much will that be? Do they need any change? How many croissants do we have left? Wonder if we will have to bake some more.

Resource: Paper bags, boulangerie role-play resources (see EY Resource 2), price labels, £1, money, aprons, pens, clipboards, baking trays.

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Can you make up your own Olympic or Paralympic game?



Provision area	Writing Area
Birth to 5 matters	Starts to develop their phonics knowledge by linking sounds to letters. Uses their developing phonics knowledge to write things such as labels and captions, later progressing to simple sentences.
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	What sort of game would you like to bring to the Olympics or Paralympics? I wonder if it will involve running, skipping, jumping, throwing and catching or maybe lots of different things altogether? What will you need to set up your game? Will people be in teams or play on their own? What do the people taking part, the competitors, need to do? Where do they start/finish? Can you explain to your friends how to play?
Key vocabulary	Olympics, Paralympics, game sport, running, skipping, jumping, balancing, teams, competitors, rules, first, then, equipment, how?

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Can you write the rules for your own Olympic game?



Provision area	Writing Area
Birth to 5 matters	Uses language to imagine and recreate rules and experiences in play situations.
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	Do you have a name for your game or sport? What will it be called? What do we need before the game can begin? Can you write down the rules of the game? What is the first step? How will you know who has won the game? Can you think of any more rules? What will happen if someone cheats?
Key vocabulary	write, rules, own, game, play, for, first, next, won, winner, second, third, team, each person, competitors

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Can you take on the role of working in a boulangerie?



Provision area	Role-play Area
Birth to 5 matters	Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations. Counts out up to 10 objects from a larger group.
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	Can we make our own boulangerie? What will we need? What will we sell? How much should we charge for each one? I wonder if we will get any customers? What would this customer that has many croissants do they need? Can you carefully count out the correct number for them? How many French croissants do they need? How many buns are they buying altogether? How much will that be? Do they need any change? How many croissants do we have left? I wonder if we will have to bake some more!
Key vocabulary	Paris, France, boulangerie, bakery and bag, croûtes, mornes, court, croissants, pain au chocolat, pain aux raisins, baguette, bake, altogether, how many?

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Can you build your own Eiffel Tower?



Provision area	Cutting and Sticking Area
Birth to 5 matters	Creates representations of real-life ideas and objects. Uses simple tools to effect change to materials.
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	Has anyone ever seen the Eiffel Tower or been up it before? Would you like to? I wonder how many steps there are to get to the top? Can we make our own Eiffel Tower? What can we use to make it? How big shall we make it? What shape would you say it is? How will you attach the different parts to it? Strong enough? How can we make it stronger? Does it need painting?
Key vocabulary	Eiffel Tower, build, make, famous, landmarks, tall, cut, shape, attach, parts, stick, glue, strong, paint

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Take a look at our KS1 Picture News week commencing 1st July 2024


What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

1st - 7th July 2024

What does it take to be an Olympian or Paralympian?



Let's look at this week's story



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Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



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How does it make me feel?



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Read the information below, all about Stef Reid MBE, and her Paralympic journey.

Paralympian Stef Reid's story

Stef was born in New Zealand to a Scottish father and English mother, grew up in Toronto, Canada, and settled in the UK in 2010. Stef's talent and passion for sport were spotted early, and aged 12, she was already dreaming of playing rugby on the world stage. But at 15, Stef was involved in a boating accident. Her life was saved, but her right foot was amputated.

Stef Reid continued her love of sport following her accident, and became a British Paralympic long jumper and sprinter. She is a World Champion, four-time Paralympian, triple Paralympic medalist, and five-time world record holder.

Stef has a degree in biochemistry, and her adventures off the track include acting and modelling (including being the first amputee to walk the London Fashion Week catwalk).

Stef starred in the 2022 series of Dancing On Ice, making it to the quarter finals, and showing the world you can learn to skate with an artificial foot.

Taken from www.stefreid.com.



Paralympic Stef Reid representing GB in the previous Paralympics. Source: Stef Reid.

What has Paralympian Stef Reid achieved?

- 2021 Tokyo Paralympic 4th Long Jump
- 2018 European T64 Bronze Long Jump
- 2017 World Champion T44 Long Jump
- 2016 Paralympic Silver Medalist T44 Long Jump
- 2014 T44 European Long Jump Champion
- 2012 Paralympic Silver Medalist T44 Long Jump
- 2011 World Bronze Medalist T44/46 Long Jump
- 2011 World Bronze Medalist T44 200m
- 2008 Paralympic Bronze Medalist T44 200m
- 2006 World Championship 6th Long Jump



Talk about some of the obstacles she encountered and overcame.



Look at the resource below, which shares some information about some of the sports that will appear at the Olympic and Paralympic Games.



Taekwondo

A form of martial arts, which originates from Korea. The aim of the sport is for an athlete to kick and punch their opponent, without being struck themselves.



Boccia

Pronounced botch-uh. Similar to the game of pétanque, athletes play individually, in pairs or as a team of three. The aim is for athletes to get their coloured ball closest to the white ball, called the jack.



Beach volleyball

Played by two teams of two players. Unlike traditional volleyball, beach volleyball is played on a sandy outdoor court, meaning players must cope with a variety of weather conditions.



Artistic swimming

Combines water aerobics with music. The sport has two events: a team and a duet competition.



Wheelchair tennis

Similar to tennis in all ways bar two main differences: athletes use specially designed wheelchairs and the ball is allowed to bounce twice before returning.

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Look at the resource below, which shares some information about Paris 2024.

The official Paris 2024 Olympic Games slogan is 'Ouvrons Grand Les Jeux', which translates as 'Games Wide Open'.

Paris 2024 intends to make society more inclusive. The official Olympics website states, 'The Games will help accelerate the changes needed to ensure that everyone enjoys the same rights, access and opportunities.'

Women took part in the Olympics for the first time in the 1900 Paris Olympic Games. There were 22. In 2024, there will be 5,250 - 50% of the athletes. For the first time in history, the same number of men and women are participating in the Games.

The Paralympic Games were first held in 1960. Paris 2024 will host the biggest Paralympics in history with 549 events and 3.4 million tickets on sale.

This year's Olympic Games will feature some of the world's most famous landmarks, including the Eiffel Tower, the Alexandre III bridge, and the Palace of Versailles.

Each Games medal is embellished with an original piece of the Eiffel Tower!



Paris 2024 aims to instill sporting values in children. It states, 'Sport can be many things - a profession, a passion, a hobby, even a vehicle for learning - but above all else, it is a way of communicating and sharing a way of learning techniques or tactics, of course, but also a space to agree on a common set of rules, where we form a team in which anyone can earn their spot, where you can learn as much from a defeat as a victory.'



Paris 2024 is committed to providing a more environmentally responsible and sustainable Games, with a carbon footprint that is half of the previous Games.



What can you learn about history, culture, sport, values and inclusivity from Paris 2024?

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Reflection



Winning and losing is a part of life. The athletes competing in the Paralympic and Olympic Games will all have been on their own journey, facing and overcoming many challenges along the way.



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Useful vocabulary



Accolade

An award or privilege granted as a special honour or expression of praise or admiration.

For many athletes, these Games are the peak of their sport, with a gold medal as the highest accolade.

Amputated

Part of the body cut off. Her life was saved but her right foot was amputated.

Encountered

Unexpectedly be faced with or experience something difficult. Discuss some of the obstacles she encountered and overcame.

Peak

The point of highest achievement.

For many athletes, these Games are the peak of their sport, with a gold medal as the highest accolade.

Podium

A raised area on which a person stands to receive a prize in a sports competition.

The Games will see the world's greatest athletes come together in France's capital city to compete for their place at the top of the podium.

Setback

Something that happens that delays or reverses progress.

Can you think of a time you have had a setback or failure when you were trying to achieve a goal?

Can you use them in your writing this week?

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What does it take to be an Olympian or Paralympian?

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- Listen Think Share
- Look at this week's poster and share what you think this week's story could be about.
- The 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be held in Paris in July, August, and September. What do you know about the Games already? Do you know some of the sports that will be part of them? Will you be watching any of the coverage of the events? Which sports do you like and enjoy watching?
- Read this week's resource about Stef Reid and her Paralympic journey. Then discuss some of the obstacles she encountered and overcame.
- Watch this week's useful video, which shows different athletes rising after facing difficulties. Talk about the courage it must take to continue at that moment. How do you imagine you might react? Can you think of a time you have had setback or failure when you were trying to achieve a goal?

Reflection
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KS1 focus

What are some of the sports we'll see at the 2024 Olympics and Paralympics?

- Listen Think Share
- Can you make a class list of all the sports you know? Think to yourself, discuss with a partner and then work as a class to add your ideas to your class list. How many did you think of?
- Which of these sports do you think will appear at the Olympics and Paralympics?
- At Paris 2024, the Olympics will showcase 32 sports and 22 sports will appear at the Paralympics. The Paralympic sports often mirror Olympic ones, this year there are two sports unique to the Paralympics: boccia and goalball.
- Look at resource 1, which shares some information about the sports that will appear at the Games. Are there any that you have played before? Did you have all these sports on your list? Which were missing?
- Which sports do you enjoy? Do you prefer playing or spectating? Why?
- Talk to your classmates and look at the examples on resource 1. Are there any sports you would like to find out more about? Are there any you would like to try playing?
- Are there any sports in particular that you would like to see at either the Olympic or Paralympic Games?

Reflection
The Olympic and Paralympic Games are exciting global events. They can introduce us to new sports or inspire us to practise and become even better at the sports we already love.

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KS2 focus

What can we learn from the Paris 2024 Games?

- Listen Think Share
- The Olympics began thousands of years ago in Ancient Greece. In 1896, they were renewed with the first modern Olympics, under the management of IOC, taking place in Athens. Share anything you know about the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Can you remember where the last Games were held?
- To date, the Summer Olympic Games have been hosted in 23 cities and 20 countries. Paris hosted the Olympics in 1900 and 1924 and will host again this year. Share anything you already know about the Paris 2024 Games.
- Look at resource 2, which shares some information about Paris 2024. What can you learn about history, culture, sport values and inclusivity from Paris 2024?
- Paris 2024 aims to instil sporting values in children. What values do you believe you can learn through sport? Do you have any school sporting values? How are these values reflected in other areas of your life?
- The Games intend to be inclusive. Does it surprise you to learn this is the first time in history the number of men and women competing is equal? Have you ever seen the first ever Paralympics took place in 1960? How important do you think it is to learn about the history of the Games in order to promote inclusivity in the future?
- Discuss anything else you think we can learn from Paris 2024 e.g., discovering a new sport.

Reflection
Since 1996, there have been 28 Summer Olympics. There are many things we can learn from Games of the past and we will learn from Games of the future!

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KS2 follow-up ideas

- Option 1**
Find out about some of the athletes who are competing in the Paris 2024 Games. You could use the internet to help you do this. Consider the following:
- Is there an athlete who is competing in a sport you enjoy?
 - Can you find any personal information such as where they were born or live? How old they are? Their family and early life?
 - What sporting achievements do they already have?
 - Have they encountered any setbacks or obstacles on their journey to becoming a world-class athlete?
 - Do you feel them inspiring? Why?
- You could use your information to write a poem, fact file or biography about the Olympian or Paralympian.

- Option 2**
This year's theme is 'Games Wide Open'. Produce a drawing, painting or collage to represent its meaning. Think about:
- How can you embody the Games' aim for inclusivity in your work?
 - What emotions do you want to express through your art?
 - What materials and resources will you need?
- Consider the use of line, shape, tone and colour.

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KS1 follow-up ideas

- Option 1**
Hold your own mini Games at school! Pick your favourite sports, or create your own, and work in groups to plan and set up your events. You might like to think about:
- What will your sport be?
 - Where will you set up your event?
 - Will you need any equipment for your event?
- Don't forget to hold an awards ceremony to celebrate everyone's achievement and participation!



- Option 2**
Design a symbol/coat of arms on a stone or rock to represent one of the sports of Paris 2024. Here are some steps to help you:
- Decide on the sport that you will create a symbol for.
 - Design your symbol on paper - will you include some elements from the sport such as equipment or where the sport is played?
 - Find the perfect rock for your design - will it be big, small, smooth, rough?
 - Recreate your symbol on your stone - will you use pens, chalks, paints or something else?

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This week's useful websites

- This week's news story**
www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-68018536
- This week's useful video**
Sharing after a fall
www.youtube.com/watch?v=3w6r0L129ic
- This week's Virtual Picture News**
www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

This week's vocabulary
Accolade
An award or privilege granted as a special honour or expression of praise or admiration. For many athletes, these Games are the peak of their sport with a gold medal as the highest accolade.
Amputated
Part of the body cut off. Her life was saved but her right foot was amputated.
Encountered
Unexpectedly faced with or experienced something difficult. Discuss some of the obstacles she encountered and overcame.
Peak
The point of highest achievement. For many athletes, these Games are the peak of their sport with a gold medal as the highest accolade.
Podium
A raised area on which a person stands to receive a prize at a sports competition. The Games will see the world's greatest athletes come together in France's capital city to compete for their place at the top of the podium.
Setback
Something that happens that delays or reverses progress. Can you think of a time you have had a setback or failure when you were trying to achieve a goal?

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Flower Festival

In Bulgaria, the town of Kasanlak is considered the heart of the rose valley. Here, conditions are almost perfect for growing beautiful roses.

The country grows thousands of roses every year, which are used to make rose oil and rose water. These go on to be used in a range of luxury products, such as skincare and perfume.

Around the time of the rose harvesting, usually in early June, Kasanlak and the nearby towns and villages host a flower festival! The process of growing and harvesting roses is a long and arduous one. So, the festival is a celebration of



Picture: Picking roses in the Rose Valley, Bulgaria. Source: Games

all the hard work that goes into cultivating these pretty flowers. The roses are very delicate so even slight changes in weather can easily ruin them. The flowers must also be picked before lunchtime to avoid the heat of the sun drying out the precious petals. Three main events make up the festival itinerary - the electing of Queen Rose, the harvesting ritual in the rose gardens and the parade along the streets of the town.

Orca Encounters!

Reports have recently highlighted an issue that orca whales seem to be attacking small boats and fishing vessels off the coasts of Spain, France, Morocco and Portugal. The whales have intentionally collided with nearly 700 boats, causing at least seven of them to sink and damaging many others. While orca are known to work in groups to hunt prey, they are rarely aggressive towards humans, so the behaviour is puzzling for experts. A team of marine biologists has been observing a pod (group) of whales and they are beginning to believe



Picture: A pod of orca whales. Source: Games

that the orcas are, in fact, teenagers, who are just being playful. A teenage orca can measure up to 4m long and so, even a playful nudge to a boat can be quite forceful and can cause damage, even if the whales do not mean it that way. The researchers suggest staying away from areas where orcas are living, and the behaviour should subside.

Should we always be prepared for an emergency?

I want to be more prepared for risks in the future. That way, I can keep myself and my friends safe. **Sadie**

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT 2 NEWSPAPER Sat - 7th July

Our BIGGEST Live Assembly

Will you be joining us as we aim to create the biggest live online school assembly? There will be children taking part from classrooms and assembly halls across the country! We will be joined by special guest, Paralympian Stef Reid MBE to learn all about the journey to become a world class athlete, ahead of the 2024 Olympics and Paralympics, starting in Paris this month. Stef will tell us about her experiences as a sports person, and of previous games.

The BIGGEST Live Assembly!
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Album made from River Plastic
Coldplay's new album is going to be their most eco-friendly album yet - made from recycled plastic collected from rivers. Coldplay, working with Ocean Cleanup, have announced that when their 10th record is released in October, the vinyl copies will each be made from nine recycled plastic bottles. The British rock band's upcoming album, Moon Music, will be a world-first for sustainable vinyl production. Coldplay are one of the best-selling music acts of all time, with over 100 million albums sold globally. This is not the first time that the band have considered their impact on the environment. They actively reduced the carbon footprint of their last tour by making changes to be more environmentally friendly, such as, using solar powered lights and sustainable aviation fuel.

Should we always be prepared for an emergency?
Yes. I think everyone should have a first aid kit and a torch in case of an accident or the power going out, so everyone can be well looked after. Muhammad

Let us know what you think about this week's news

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In the news this week

What does it take to be an Olympian or Paralympian?

This summer, the 2024 Olympics, held in Paris, will run from 26th July to 11th August, and the Paralympics will take place from 28th August to 8th September. The Games will see the world's greatest athletes come together in France's capital city to compete for their place at the top of the podium. For many athletes, these Games are the peak of their sport, with a gold medal as the highest accolade. The competitors are likely to have spent months and years training for numerous hours per day to prepare.

Things to talk about at home...

- Share your knowledge of the upcoming 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Ask someone at home to share their experience with you.
- Will you be watching any of the events? Which sports do you find most interesting and why?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Summer Reading Challenge 2024

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Marvellous Makers

THE READING AGENCY Celebrating creativity CREATE!

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As in previous years, Blackburn with Darwen Library & Information Services in association with The Reading Agency will be encouraging all children **age 4 - 12 years** to sign up for the **Summer Reading Challenge**, which this year is called 'Marvellous Makers'. Children read and review **six library books** during the summer holidays to complete the challenge and collect **stickers and other prizes** along the way. Children have a completely free choice of which library books or **eBooks** they want to read, or which **audio books or eAudio** they want to listen to as these can count towards their total as well. Those who complete the challenge will also get a **certificate and a medal** at the end. Enrolment on 'Marvellous Makers' will be available at your local library any time **between Monday 1st July and Monday 30th September**, completely free of charge.



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Friendlysaurus

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1 International Joke Day: make your friend laugh	2 "I am a good friend!"	3 Create a Birthday Card for the NHS	4 Eat Strawberries & cream with a friend	5 Make a group painting	6 Have a sleepover	7
8 Create a Friendship Spot	9 Make a friendship bracelet	10 Build a tower with a friend	11 Make a friendship potion	12 The Ball of Positivity	13 Sing a rhyme in the car	14 Practice saying please and thank-you
15 Design your friend's t-shirt	16 Draw a picture of your friend	17 Sponsor an endangered animal	18 Sensory Scraves with Friends	19 Make a friend using playdough	20 Visit the beach with a friend	21 Do something nice for a stranger
22 Write a letter to a new or old friend	23 Team Junk Modelling Dinosaurs	24 Emotions	25 Read Friendlysaurus and his Friends	26 Colour the Olympics Ring	27 Fill the bowl of friendship	28 Listen to Friendlysaurus Mediation
29 A good friend makes me feel...	30 Outdoor games	31 Certificates	MINI MINDS Partner		Activities in this colour are explained in the supplementary activity sheets on your portal.	

CONVERSATION CARDS

How many brothers or sisters do you have?

What do you do on Sundays?

What is your favourite time of day?

Where do you go shopping?

How often do you eat fruit and vegetables?

Who is the funniest person in your family?

What is your favourite animal and why?

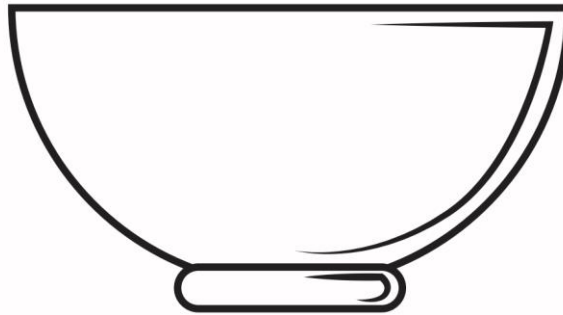
What do you usually do in the evening?

Describe a memory you share with a friend.

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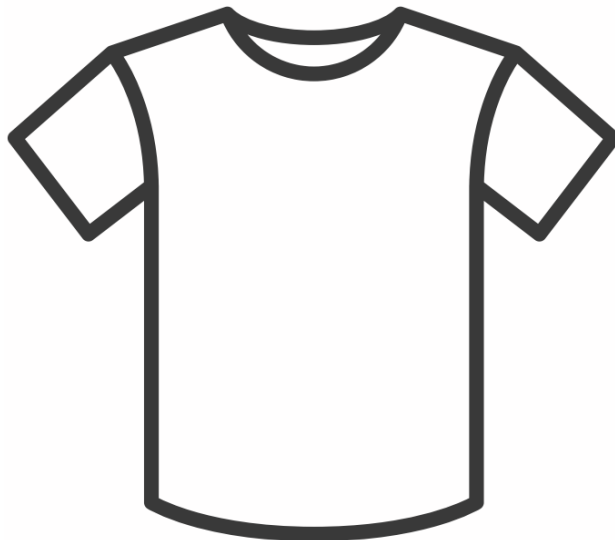
Friendship recipe

Fill the bowl with the ingredients which make a good friend.



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Design a t-Shirt for your friend



Introducing our mindful calendar, each month the calendar will give you ideas and suggestions of how to be more mindful as a family. Please take a few moments to look at the calendar, share the information with your child/children, have fun and enjoy!



Breakfast Club Rule

IT IS **ESSENTIAL** EACH TIME YOU DROP YOUR CHILD OFF AT BREAKFAST CLUB, **YOU BRING YOUR CHILD INTO THE SCHOOL HALL, GIVE YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND MONEY TO THE MEMBER OFF STAFF SAT AT THE TABLE NEAR THE PATIO DOORS.**

PLEASE **DO NOT** DROP YOUR CHILD OFF AT THE SCHOOL GATES.

Please can we remind you that **Breakfast Club** needs to be paid for daily, it is **£1** per day or **£4** for the week to be paid in advance on the Monday - Thank you