



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

## BOOK DROP 2024!

Books have dropped this week! Our children have all received a new book to keep and share together at home. Each book has a dedicated page on our website class pages (links below) for your reference. Top tips and guidance will also come home through our Homework Overviews. We hope you enjoy sharing the new stories together, all with an equality theme.

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## RESPECT AND TOLERANCE

This week, our assemblies have focused on learning to respect and tolerate the faith and beliefs of others. Our children have shown superb respect for each other as they listen to and reflect on everyone's view of the world. Together we collected all the banners from around school and found commonality across faith and non-religious views.

## INTRODUCING BASIL!

We would like to introduce you to Basil the tortoise - our new Foundation class pet! The children are doing an amazing job of taking care of him and helping him settle into life at Sherwood. They have helped to chop up his food and even gave him his first bath! Please [click here](#) to enjoy pictures and a short video in our gallery.



## SHERWOOD'S ORACY STRATEGY

Our Oracy strategy has been further developed this term across the Curriculum. Please [click here](#) to see our Year 4 children developing their Oracy skills during a History lesson on Anglo-Saxon Village life. Well done Year 4!



## YEAR 3 DATA COLLECTION

We kindly ask Parents and Carers in Year 3 to review the data collection sheet coming home today. If you have any amendments to make to the data we hold, please kindly notify School through the School Spider Form. We do not require the Data Collection form returning to School. Thank you.

A fantastic week of learning and enrichment.



## I AM GALLERY

We are delighted to share images of our new artwork that is now on display around school. We have extended our 'I am...' gallery to include our children's self-portraits in celebration of our Mission Statement. Thank you to Angie Thompson, Illustrator, for leading Self Portrait workshops with our children and staff last term. We are really thrilled with the new panels and the vivid colours in our corridors. Can your child identify their portrait?

*We are Sherwood. Each of us unique. As one family we all thrive and excel together.*

### PARENT AND CARER EDI FORUM

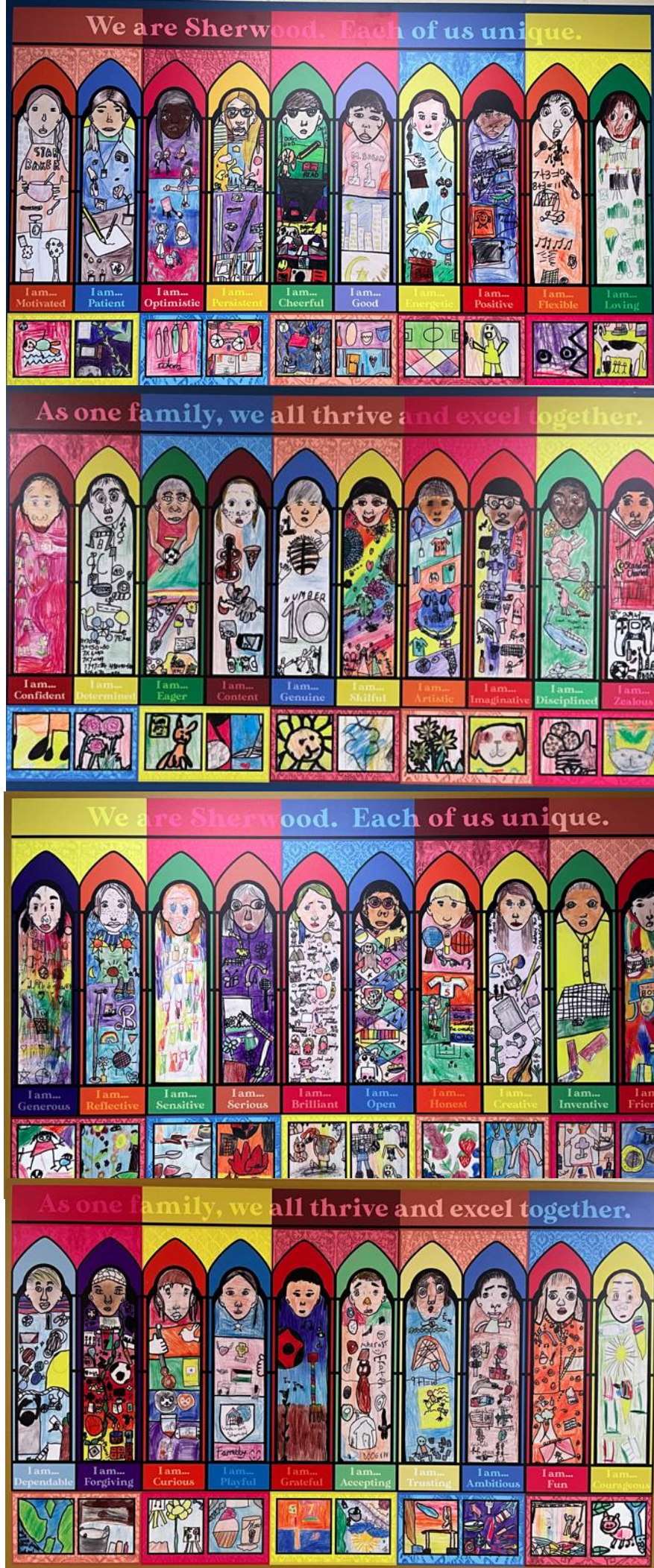
Our next Parent and Carer Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Forum will take place with Mrs Stamp on **31/10/24** at **2.30pm**. At this meeting, we will be seeking the help of our families to create 'Personas' for our new Persona dolls that will be introduced in Inter-Faith Week next half term. You are all most welcome to attend.

## Equality through our Curriculum

We are pleased to share our [Equality through our Curriculum](#) overview, that is now available on our website.

This has been developed for all members of our School Community, to understand how we demonstrate due regard to the protected characteristics, (as defined in the Equality Act) through our Curriculum.

For a significant number of our families, this document also supports our parents and carers in providing religious direction to your children. Thank you to our Parents and Carers who contributed to these discussions last term. We appreciate your input and views.





## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**14.10.24** Uniform sale after school 3-3.45pm

**18.10.24** Non-Uniform day for Ronald McDonald House Charity. Please kindly make your donation through ParentPay. Y6, please wear clothing suitable for Physical Activity.

**29.10.24** Flu Immunisation catch up session (all years- any children that missed the last session)

## SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

The closing date for applications for September 2025 are:

**31 October 2024** for secondary applications

**15 January 2025** for primary applications

Apply online at: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thank you for supporting the book fair in School. We look forward to restocking our reading areas with new titles from the commission raised.

## UPDATES

Our [School website](#) is updated on a daily basis to keep you up to date with our children's learning and all of our events. Please click here to visit [our gallery](#). [Please click here to view our calendar for next week](#)

Finally, congratulations to our footballer players for achieving a silver medal in the Play Football Tournament this week! An amazing result!



## SEND LINKS

### Break Time Registration

Break Time provides fun group activities for children and young people aged 4-18 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), while their parents and carers have a short break from their caring role. Please [click here](#) for details or visit our website ([Inclusion – SEND – Links and Services](#))

In order to access the service, parents and carers must register their child annually. Registrations for Break Time membership in 2025/26 will open on 21st October 2024, for both existing and new members. More information on the service, including the eligibility criteria and the registration form.

# Break Time

*Fun group activities for children and young people with SEND in Lancashire*

## SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Ribbleton Family Hub have updated their One Stop Shop services to include a wealth of advice and support for families. Please [click here](#) for details or visit our Website ([Parents – Support for Families and Children](#)).

# ONE STOP SHOP

### A monthly drop in where families

can access free advice & support  
Pathway Navigator-ASD-ADHD & More  
School Nurse - Bed wetting Sleep Hygiene & More  
Housing - Preston City Council - Gateway  
Citizen Advice  
Benefit Advice - DWP  
Emotional Health and Wellbeing  
Debt Advice/Support  
Employment advice - DWP  
Relationship advice  
Home safety - Lancs Fire & Rescue  
Free Funded Nursery Places  
Lancashire Women  
Find out about:  
Mental health support  
Accessing Food Banks  
Household living support

No  
Appointment  
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Last  
Tuesday of  
the month,  
2pm 'until  
4pm