

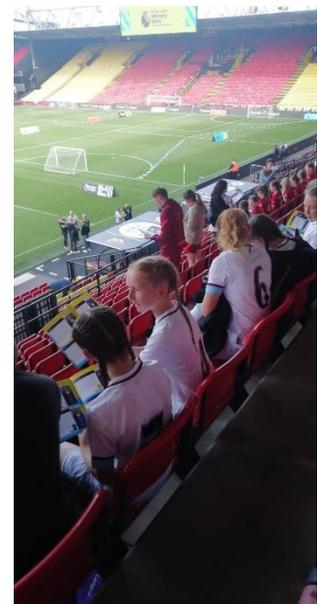
## Well done



We are so proud of our Y5/6 girls' football team who travelled to Watford earlier this week to represent Walsden and Burnley FC at the Premier League Primary Stars national final. Mr Allely, Mrs Spooner and accompanying parents were almost in tears when the girls walked onto the pitch for the opening ceremony! We are incredibly proud of your achievement.

The girls had such an amazing experience posing for photos in the first team dressing room and alongside the Premier League trophy. On a long hot day, their conduct was exemplary. The girls enjoyed a wonderful experience together and thank you to Hollins Day care and Friends of Walsden for paying for the girls to enjoy a meal together the evening before; it really helped bond the girls and added to the experience.

Thank you to parents and staff for travelling with them and for showing your support. Well done Darcy, Lilly, Ava, Lile, Maisie, Olivia, Connie and Violet; what a memorable experience!



## Out of School clubs – Summer term 2

Clubs finish next week, unless otherwise mentioned (the first Monday after half term is a re-scheduled one from the Bank Holiday) and new clubs will start the week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> June. Watch out for a letter coming home next week with the new 5 week club timetable and sign up sheet.

## Whit walk – all welcome

**Next Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> May** is our whole school Whit walk. It's a celebration of Pentecost and a tradition of this area where brass bands would march playing Christian songs. It mirrors the disciples being filled with the fire of the Holy Spirit and going out and being unafraid to talk about Jesus. That's why we're making flames to carry. **We will be leaving school at 9.15am and walking to St Peter's church** where we will have a short service in the church grounds before walking back to school. Parents/carers are more than welcome to walk with us and there will be refreshments served after the service. The forecast looks good but please dress for the weather on the day!

### FOW Summer Fair – volunteers needed

After a 2 year break the FOW summer fair is finally back on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 10am-12noon.** FOW are busy preparing for this great family event but it cannot run without volunteers on the day. **They are seeking lots of volunteer parents/carers who can offer 1 or 2 hours on the day** to help with setting up/running a stall/clearing away. Please offer if you can, we are sure there will be a brew and a biscuit in it for you! If you can help please let the school office know by emailing [office@walsden.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@walsden.calderdale.sch.uk) and we will pass this onto a FOW member. Alternatively you can catch one of the FOW members in the yard or DM them on Instagram or Facebook – see below.

**Instagram: @friends\_of\_walsden\_school**

**Facebook: Friends of Walsden School**

### U11s cricket competition

On Thursday, some of our Year 5 and 6 children attended the Todmorden schools cricket tournament. We had a Walsden team and a joint team made up of children from both Walsden and Todmorden C of E. The Walsden only team were the overall winners and now progress to compete in the Halifax finals (date tbc). We are incredibly proud of the team's achievement and hard work. Good luck in the next round!

Mrs Montgomery and Mr Crowther commented on the positivity and support shown from all children towards each other including taking it upon themselves to ensure fair amounts of playing time. Well done all on promoting the sense of togetherness we aspire to in sport at this school - you are an inspiration to the younger children and hopefully you have inspired some to pursue the game outside of school.



### Amazing work

Reception have been learning about minibeasts and they were tasked with writing a minibeast riddle. Ava worked really hard on her riddle and drawing – amazing don't you think?

I can fly  
I am red and black  
I have spots  
What am I?



## Swimming

Y3 have now finished their swimming lessons for this year and from next Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> May until the end of term it will be the turn of Y5. **All Y5 children will need a swim kit** (towel, swimwear and goggles if needed) each week. Earrings should be fully removed and hair tied back on the day.



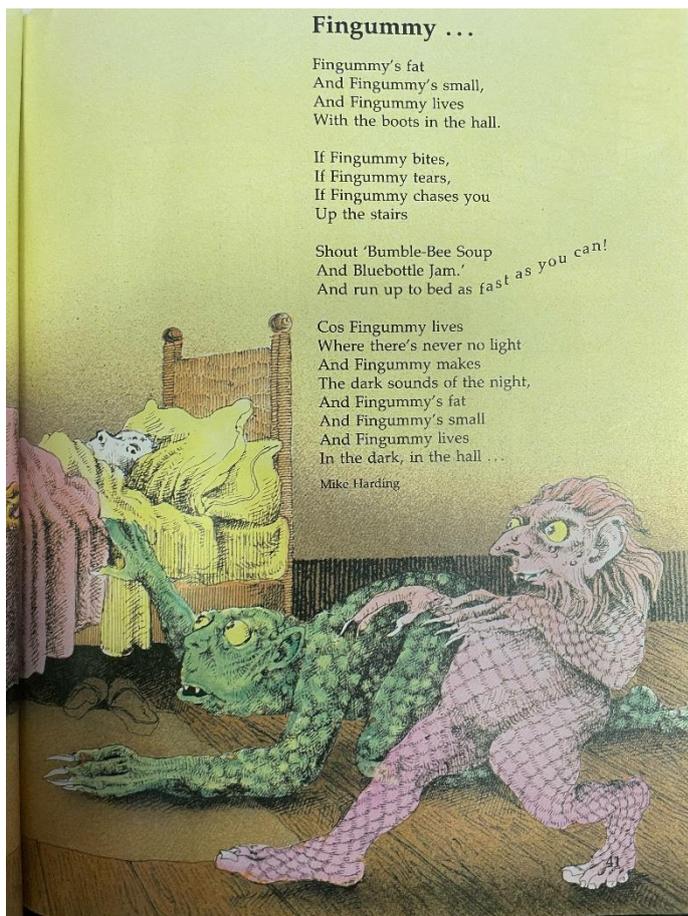
## FOW Fathers Day stall

Fathers Day is on 19<sup>th</sup> June and FOW will once again be running a Fathers Day stall. Just like on Mothers Day children are asked to bring in unopened and unused gifts to the value of £2 by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. The stall will run on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June and children will be able to buy a present for their 'special' person for £1. Please bring in donations after half term.

## Poem of the Week

The poem of the week was chosen by Dylan Ives and Peter Webster (Y5).

*'We chose this poem because we enjoyed the rhyming pattern throughout. We also enjoyed how the author had written the words 'as fast as you can' in an upwards slant like the words are running upstairs to bed'.*



### Fingummy ...

Fingummy's fat  
And Fingummy's small,  
And Fingummy lives  
With the boots in the hall.

If Fingummy bites,  
If Fingummy tears,  
If Fingummy chases you  
Up the stairs

Shout 'Bumble-Bee Soup  
And Bluebottle Jam.'  
And run up to bed as fast as you can!

Cos Fingummy lives  
Where there's never no light  
And Fingummy makes  
The dark sounds of the night,  
And Fingummy's fat  
And Fingummy's small  
And Fingummy lives  
In the dark, in the hall ...

Mike Harding

**Don't forget school closes for half term next Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> May. We re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.**

## Stars of the week

This week's stars are Cora Horsfall-Gengler, Lucas Gell, Ava Humberstone, Sonny Dredge, Harry Whittaker-Winfield, Darcy Hartley and Lilly Askins. Well done to them all.

## Lunchtime Awards

Our midday supervisors have chosen: Henry Whitehead, Emma Madden, Gracie Hamer-Williams, Annabelle Sargent, Poppy Ridding, Audrey Crawford and Aleya T for their excellent behaviour at lunchtime.

Esther Logue & Emma Crowther,  
Headteachers