

THIS WEEK'S ELECTRICITY PROBLEMS

Thank you for your understanding and patience this week with regard to the problems caused by our electricity supply. Closing the school is always a last resort, but the lack of lighting and heating with sub-zero temperatures outside left no alternative.

The initial explanation for the fault was that one of the circuits that brings electricity into the building was overloaded and this caused one of the main fuses to blow. However, following a thorough investigation by an electrician who tested every circuit, it was found that none of the circuits were overloaded and the most likely reason for the power cut was a fault in the fuse box itself. As that fuse box – which was very old and had been damaged by the melting fuse – was replaced by Electricity North West he believes that there should be no further problems.

This is a great relief as we were initially told that there would have to be some major work done including digging a trench and laying a new, bigger main electricity cable onto the school grounds which would have cost tens of thousands of pounds. Happily this will not now be needed.

PARKING ENFORCEMENT:

A letter from Lancashire County Council was sent out this week via the mobile App, and published on the school website. The letter explained that parking enforcement officers will be monitoring illegal parking around schools, in particular cars stopping on the yellow zig-zag lines to drop off or pick up children.

Stopping for even one second on the yellow zig-zags is illegal.

There was a change to the law a couple of years ago which allows parking enforcement officers to send fixed-penalty notices to drivers seen stopping on the yellow zig-zags. They do not need to present the driver with a penalty notice at the time.

If you are seen stopping on the zig-zags you will be prosecuted even if you drive away before the enforcement officer can speak to you.

The twice postponed parents' meetings for Class 3B and Class 6Ba will now take place on Tuesday 23rd January – weather, illness and electricity supply permitting! Please let the school office know if you are unable to attend.

GOVERNING BODY NEWS:

The governing body are pleased to announce that Mrs Julie Willis has agreed to carry out the role of parent-governor. Mrs Willis has served on the governing body in the past, and her appointment means that the three vacancies that existed following the two unsuccessful election processes last year have now been filled.

CLASS ATTENDANCE COMPETITION		
1st Place	CLASS 3B	100%
2nd Place	CLASS 2R	98.8%
3rd Place	CLASS RECEPTION L	97.3%
This week's Overall School Attendance Rate >>>>>>>>>>>		96.0%
The Attendance Rate since the Start of the School Year >>>>>>		95.9%

