



## LONGSANDS LINK – 16th July 2021

### SUMMER HOLIDAY FINISH TIMES

We finish for the Summer on

**TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JULY.**

Here are the staggered finish times for each class (start times remain the same):

**Reception** will finish at **1.50pm**

**Year 1** will finish at **2.00pm**

**Year 2** will finish at **2.10pm**

**Year 3** will finish at **2.00pm**

**Year 4** will finish at **2.10pm**

**Year 5** will finish at **2.10pm**

**Year 6** will finish at **2.00pm**

We will return back to school after the Summer holidays on

**THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER.**



### GOODBYE

Sadly when we finish for the Summer, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Sill and Mrs Monks. We would like to thank them for all of their hard work and dedication in their considerable time at school. We will be very sad to see them go.

### EID

If you are planning to celebrate Eid next week, please ensure that you have completed a term time leave request form and return this to school before the event.

Only one day can be authorised as religious observance, any additional time taken would be unauthorised. Forms are available from the document holder in the main entrance, and we have attached a copy to this week's Link.

### COOL MILK

If you would like your child to have school milk when we return to in September, you must contact Cool Milk to order this by **5.00pm** on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August**. All orders need to be placed by 5pm on the Tuesday of the week before you wish milk order to begin.

Visit **COOL MILK**

### Mrs McKeown's Message

Following new guidance issued by the Department for Education and my hint on the weekly Link last week school life will return to normal times etc. As we have found over the last 16 months, we may need to reassess our practices from time to time and make changes where appropriate. We will keep you informed of any such changes. So far, from September bubbles will be removed.

**TESTING:** From September if your child is identified as a contact of somebody who has tested positive the following will happen:

- Parent/carer contacted to collect their child from school.
- Parent/carer organises and takes child for a PCR test (a lateral flow test is not acceptable). If positive, child isolates for 10 days.
- If negative, child returns to school. Whilst this approach is 'advisable' under the guidance, it is my responsibility to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff in our school, something we must continue to take seriously as I am sure those of us who have lost loved ones, or seen the devastating impact of Long Covid will agree, therefore this approach is non-negotiable.

If a staff member is a contact, they will be sent home for a PCR test and will only come back into school if the result is negative.

**FACE COVERINGS:** From 19th of July, the Government have relaxed the rulings on wearing face coverings in public places. However, as Covid cases are still high in Preston, and will possibly get higher over the summer holidays, we intend to keep the same procedure for all adults entering the school grounds to wear a face covering. We have many vulnerable adults in our school community and I would like to keep the school community as safe as we possibly can.

The class teachers will be wearing face coverings in communal areas within schools with some wearing visors. I welcome your support in this. I hope that we can relax this ruling as the term progresses.

**STAGGERED SCHOOL TIMES:** Staggered school times will end. From September, we will revert back to our normal **8.55am** start time and **3.20pm** finish times.

PE kits can be worn all day when your child has PE. These days will be made clear to you next term via Seesaw.

The months ahead will be interesting with potential infection rates increasing, so please again be reassured we will continue to keep you updated on any changes.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JULY

- Year 1 & 2 DVD Morning
- Year 1 & 2 School Toy Afternoon
- Year 5 DVD Afternoon
- NO Spanish Club

#### TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JULY

- Year 5 School Toy Morning
- No Rocksteady Music
- PNE Health & Wellbeing Sessions (Y4 & Y5).
- School finishes early for Summer holidays.

#### YEAR 2

The children in Year 2 will watch a DVD on Monday. The children May bring in a small snack for this, for example popcorn, together with their water bottle.

If possible, please put your child's name on their snack. Later the children will have a toy afternoon, but will use games and toys from school rather than bringing in their own from home.

#### THANK YOU

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to **Suresite Group Ltd** and **The Cobblers Den** who have very kindly donated two magnificent shields which will be presented to the overall winning houses in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for sport during the year. We will share photographs of these once we have them.

#### SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WC 19/07/21 - **WEEK 2**

#### YEAR 1

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July, Year 1 will have a film morning. The children can bring in their usual healthy snacks. In the afternoon the children will have choosing time with the classroom toys, please do not send toys in from home to play with. Thank you

### GET STUCK IN

Spring North has been awarded funding through Lancashire County Council, to coordinate delivery of a number of Holiday Activity Clubs on behalf of the DfE's Holiday Activities and Food Fund. These are targeted at children across the holiday period in Preston who are eligible for free school meals. See the attached poster.

### MONKHOUSE UNIFORM

We have been asked to let Parents and Carers know that Monkhouse have had to close their Preston store until at least Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July due to a staff member testing positive for Covid. Online orders are still available and in the meantime the store will receive a full deep clean for the safety of customers and colleagues when they re-open.

### YEAR 6

Our Year 6 bubble had to close today! We are all so disappointed we will not be able to say our usual goodbye to the class next week. However, as we know all this is out of our control, but at least the class were able to have some end of year activities. We have been advised to continue with the 10-day isolation period even though some of the guidance changes on Monday. Hopefully the PCR test will come back negative and Year 6 will rejoin us for their last couple of days. It is a reminder that Covid is still out there and can spoil plans. We are still hoping the end of year play footage can be found but again this is out of our control. Good luck Year 6!!!

## Pupils of the Week

**RECEPTION:** ALL OF RECEPTION

**YEAR 1:** ALL OF YEAR 1

**YEAR 2:** OSCAR

**YEAR 3:** ALL OF YEAR 3

**YEAR 4:** ALL OF YEAR 4

**YEAR 5:** ALL OF YEAR 5

**YEAR 6:** ALL OF YEAR 6

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation in all we are doing at Longsands to keep your children safe.

On that note, have a lovely Summer, keep safe, keep in touch and we will see you all in September. Goodbye and good luck to Year 6. It does not seem a minute since you were in my class and now you are moving on.

*Mrs McKeown*

### LONGSANDS SPORTS RESULTS

During the year children have taken part in inter-house competitions in their class bubbles. These points have been added to the Sports Day results, and we can now reveal the final positions for this year.

#### EYFS & KS1 RESULTS

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: FINNEY**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: ARKWRIGHT**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: FLINTOFF**

**4<sup>th</sup> Place: ANDERTON**

#### KS2 RESULTS

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: FINNEY**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: FLINTOFF**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: ANDERTON**

**4<sup>th</sup> Place: ARKWRIGHT**

Congratulations to Finney and well done to everyone for their sporting efforts this year. We are hoping for more normality next year, when we will continue with inter-house competitions in school in addition to leagues and tournaments against other schools hopefully restarting.

### PTFA SEALED BID

The PTFA have three PNE shirts to bid for (home kit, away kit and third kit), signed by all of the players. Please see the attached poster. All bids must be sent to **longsandsptfa@gmail.com** by midnight Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Winners will be announced on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Happy Bidding!

## Happy Birthday

JOSHUA, CHARLOTTE, REUBEN, ZAKARIYA, ISABELLE, GEORGE, ARIA, LEILA, MAISIE, TOBIAS, ABDUL, EDEN, EVELYN, KAYDEN, SAIM, OLIVER, PHOEBE, EVIE, LILY, SKYE, LOLA, HAMMAD, ELOISE, MAX, BRYONY, TOBY and ELLIE

### EASYFUNDRAISING

Please consider signing up for this to support the PTFA. You use it as a portal to shop online - a few extra clicks and the PTFA receive donations at NO COST to you! **easyfundraising.co.uk**

## Longsands Values

**RECEPTION:** ALL OF RECEPTION

**YEAR 1:** ALL OF YEAR 1

**YEAR 2:** GRACE

**YEAR 3:** ALL OF RECEPTION

**YEAR 4:** HARLEY & DHRUV

**YEAR 5:** ALL OF YEAR 5

**YEAR 6:** ALL OF YEAR 6



# **REVISED TERM DATES AND HOLIDAYS 2021 – 2022**

**Now includes additional bank holiday for  
The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.**

## **Autumn Term 2021**

### **INSET DAY 1**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021**

**School Returns**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021

**Half Term Holidays**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

**Closure after school**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at **2.00pm**

## **Spring Term 2022**

### **INSET DAY 2**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

### **INSET DAY 3**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**School Returns**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Half Term Holidays**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**Closure after school**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 at **2.00pm**

## **Summer Term 2022**

**School Returns**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

**May Day Bank Holiday**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022**

**Half Term Holidays**

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022**

### **INSET DAY 4**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

### **INSET DAY 5**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Jubilee Bank Holiday (in Lieu)**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**School Returns**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

**Closure after school**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 at **2.00pm**



Longsands C.P. School  
Longsands Lane  
Fulwood  
Preston  
Lancashire  
PR2 9PS

Tel: 01772 795676  
Email: office@longsands.lancsngfl.ac.uk

Headteacher: Mrs. S McKeown

## APPLICATION FOR TERM TIME LEAVE

I wish to apply for leave of absence from school to be granted to:

Name of Child: ..... Class: .....

Dates of proposed absence:

From: ..... To: .....

Reason for Proposed Exceptional circumstances:

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Total Days Requested: .....

Parent/Carer Full Name(s) ..... Date of Birth .....

Parent/Carer Full Name(s) ..... Date of Birth .....

Address: .....

Signature of Parent/Carer: .....

Signature of Parent/Carer: .....

**Consequences for parents taking children on holiday in term time which are not authorised by school MAY result in a Penalty Notice of £120 per parent, per child being issued by the Local Authority.**

### **FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY**

Attendance % \_\_\_\_\_

Interview Offered to Parent/Carer?

Yes / No

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorised? Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_

Headteacher

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent informed by letter / text?

Yes / No

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you very much for our  
fabulous new Sports Trophies !!**



▪ COBBLER'S DEN ▪

— SINCE 1985 —

SHOE REPAIRS | KEY CUTTING | TROPHIES | ENGRAVING



# GET stuck IN

## SUMMER FUN

2nd - 27th August

**HOLIDAY CLUBS**  
**4-16 yrs**

Taking Bookings - **NOW**  
**LIMITED SPACES**

### About Us

Delivered by youth providers from across Preston City Council offering:

- 4 weeks of fun activities, 4 days per week
- 16 sessions per child available
- Clubs for all ages
- Multiple venues, dates and times
- Daily meal provided
- All delivered by fully trained staff

### Activities includes:

- Multi-sports • Arts and crafts
  - Movie time • Street dance
  - Media and music • Film making • DJ mixing
  - Nerf wars • Ninja Warriors • Board games
  - Musical theatre and dance
- ..Plus much much more!!**

**Are your children eligible for Free School Meals, then book on now!**

**[www.getstuckin.org.uk](http://www.getstuckin.org.uk)**



media



filming



sports



dance



music



# **SEALED BID AUCTION PNE 2020-21 SIGNED SHIRTS**

**Please email all bids to:  
[longsandsptfa@gmail.com](mailto:longsandsptfa@gmail.com) by Friday 16th July**

**Please state which shirt you are bidding for:  
White Home / Blue Away / Green 3rd Kit**

**Winners announced *Monday 19th July***

**All proceeds to go to  
Longsands Primary School PTFA  
to support funding for the school**



**AWAY**



**HOME**



**3rd KIT**

# Longsands PTFA Newsletter

2020/2021



## Our Year

Another strange academic year for us to mark. Although we were unable to do any face-to-face fundraising, the support we continue to get from school, parents/carers and the local community is very heart warming. We were pleased to be in a position this year to fund a lot of things. Although we had to change how we raised money, we continued on and were able to still raise some more funds. See what we've been up to!

### SCARECROW TRAIL



Scroll a few pages down you can have a look again at all the scarecrows that took part in our trail. Everyone had lots of fun spotting them during October half term!



### XMAS QUIZ

Did you know that mistletoe can be found growing in an apple tree?

Or

Professor Dumbledore doesn't have enough socks because people always buy him books for Christmas?

Many Christmas Quiz sheets were sold and generated a lot of discussion around the Christmas table!

### CARD PROJECT



Our annual card project was very well supported this year. Although we do this event near Christmas in the calendar, there were many different cards that were designed: Birthday, Easter, Eid, Diwali, Thank You and Christmas. We are hoping to do it again next term.

### MAKE THE RULES DAY

There were many rules made the day we did this event! Lots of crazy hair!



### UNIFORM SALES

We continued to raise funds through our good stock of quality second-hand uniform. Please see below for more details.



*Thanks to the parents of our balloon race winners who kindly gave their permission for photographs to be taken of the winners and published in our newsletter. The adults can enjoy their voucher prizes :-)*

### BALLOON RACE WINNERS

Congratulations to:

1<sup>st</sup>

Unicorn Lily ?

2<sup>nd</sup>

King Julien 13

3<sup>rd</sup>

Grealish

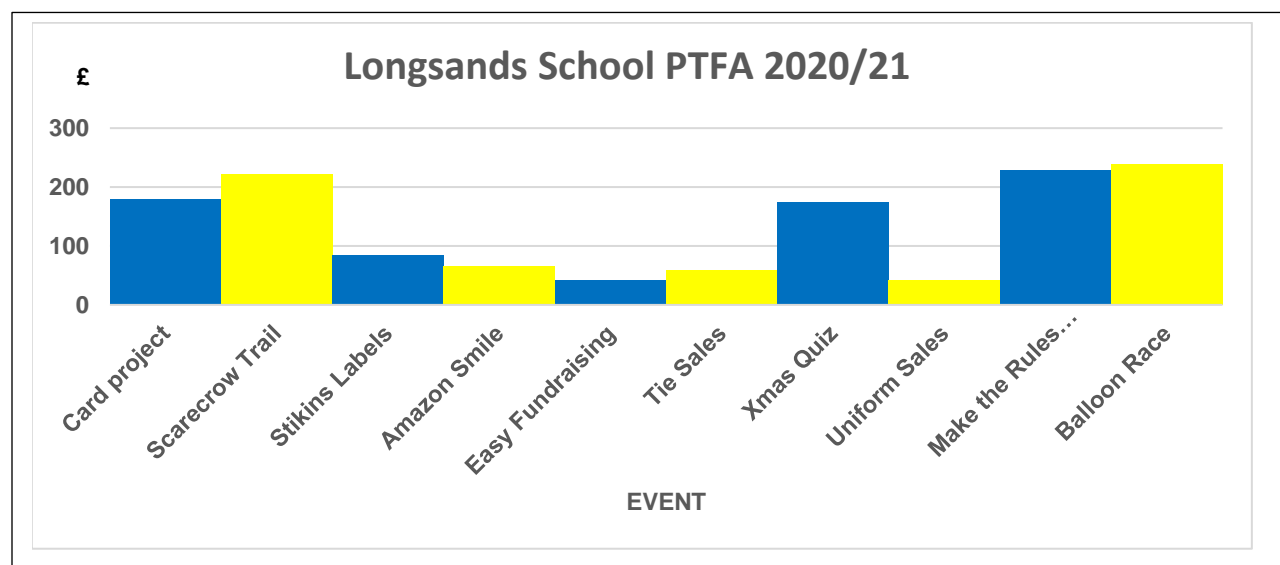


Many thanks to everyone who bought a balloon. We really appreciate the support and hope that the children enjoyed keeping an eye on their balloons – their own one and their class one!



## ***What We Raised***

Here is a summary of our events and how much we raised at each:



**£1,332.63 was raised in this academic year!**

### ***Funding that Your Contributions have allowed us to provide this year***

Christmas gifts — for class parties  
Christmas crackers — for Christmas lunch  
Stationery — to support return after lockdown  
Tripods — to support with visual messages/learning via Seesaw  
Teddies — to celebrate the school's 25-year anniversary  
Year 6 hoodies — to celebrate their final year at primary school  
25-year art project — to celebrate the school's landmark year



### ***Silver Change Tube Challenge***

Final monies from our silver change tube challenge were spent this year. The money each class raised followed the children to their next class so that the children could benefit from what they raised themselves. Audio equipment seemed to be a popular spending choice!



## ***Ongoing and other News***

### ***PTFA Constitution and Online Banking***

This year the PTFA updated its Constitution, which has been approved and filed with the Charity Commission.

We also have the ability for online banking now, which will make it easy for everyone making donations when we're hosting events.

## Sealed bid – PNE Signed Shirts to be Won!



### ONE OF THESE COULD BE WON BY YOU!

All shirts signed by every PNE player.

Just send in your bid to [longsandsptfa@gmail.com](mailto:longsandsptfa@gmail.com) by **midnight** on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July**.

Make sure you tell us what shirt you'd like to bid for: white home; blue away; green 3<sup>rd</sup> kit

Winners will be announced on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

## Second-Hand School Uniform

We continue to have a good selection of uniform in. All uniform items are £1. We would be happy to offer a complete uniform bundle to any parents who wish to buy (stock permitting). Please email [longsandsptfa@gmail.com](mailto:longsandsptfa@gmail.com) and we will be happy to sort this for you.

## Ways to keep us Raising Funds

You can donate to the PTFA ***without having to give us any money yourself***. Can you set any of these up?

### Easyfundraising.org.uk

If you shop online, you can raise FREE donations for Longsands School PTFA. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use #easyfundraising to shop with them! Please get involved! Scan the QR code here to get started →

Also, any business can register and help us raise funds through their everyday office purchases, e.g. stationery. Would your firm be willing to sign up and help us?

Just find your shop through easyfundraising and then make your purchases as normal. Here are just a few of the shops that will make donations:



### Smileamazon.co.uk

If you shop at amazon (!) you can also raise FREE donations for Longsands School PTFA. If more people signed up, it's amazing what could be raised! Scan the QR code here to get started →



### Stikins Labels

For anyone buying Stikins labels ([www.stikins.co.uk](http://www.stikins.co.uk)), please use our code - **35371**. The PTFA receive 30% commission on orders, which is very beneficial to keep funds coming in.

## ***Special Thanks***

Mrs McKeown, Mrs Wilds, Mr Coyne, and all the teaching staff at Longsands – for another strange year you have kept us all going as much as possible, keeping us informed and helping us to navigate through how we cope and get support if we need it.

To all those who contributed to our events this year, e.g. prizes, participating in events, etc, your generosity was greatly appreciated.

PTFA committee members (from the Chair) - your enthusiasm to make our events successful and your willingness to keep participating - thank you.

## ***Dates for Your Diary***

### **PTFA Meeting – September / October**

We hope to return to face-to-face meetings next term, but due to the ongoing current COVID-19 climate, will be following any government guidelines on this, so will issue information at the start of term.

### **PTFA AGM – October**

Our next AGM will be in October and again we'll be following government guidelines on how we can hold this.

**As always, anyone is welcome to our meetings. Come along and tell us your ideas.**

**A few committee members may be moving on at our next AGM, so we would love new people to join and keep the PTFA going!**

Get in touch with us at:

**[LongsandsPTFA@gmail.com](mailto:LongsandsPTFA@gmail.com)**

Our Facebook page **[Longsands PTFA](#)**

Or on our dedicated PTFA section on the school's website

Or contact the school office who can put you in touch with one of the members.

**THE PTFA WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A FUN AND SAFE SUMMER HOLIDAY.**

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL YEAR 6 GOING UP TO THEIR NEW SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER.**

## WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD OF SCARECROWS WE HAVE SEEN OVER HALF TERM!



**Best Au Natural**



**Best Disney Character**



**Best Dressed**



**Best Cutest Owl**



**Best Shirt**



**Best Buddies**



**Best in Converting a Minion to become a COVID Safe Football Supporter**



**Best Cover Sensibility**



**Best in Black**



**Best Dressed Worker**



**Best Duo Superheroes**



**Best Eyes and Wings**



**Best Female Vocalist**



**Best In Friends with Legs**



**Best Glasses**



**Best Guest Appearances**



**Best Hat and Accessories**



**Best Honey Eater**



**Best Julia Donaldson Characters (Betty O'Barley and Harry Hay)**



**Best Dressed for Winter**





Best in Landing after a Firebolt Technical Fault



Best in Landing after a Nimbus 2000 Technical Fault



Best Lone Superhero



Best in Most Relaxed



Best in Most Stoic despite needing vet attention



Best Nose and Colourful Trousers



Best Patchwork Leggings



Best in Pet Lookalike



Best Recreation of a Kid's Cartoon Character



Best in Revenge



Best in Safety



Best in School Uniform



Best in Self Sufficiency



Best Smile



Best Special Appearance



Best Strongest Arms



Best Sun Tan



Best in Tallest



Best Winter Sledger



Best in Youngest

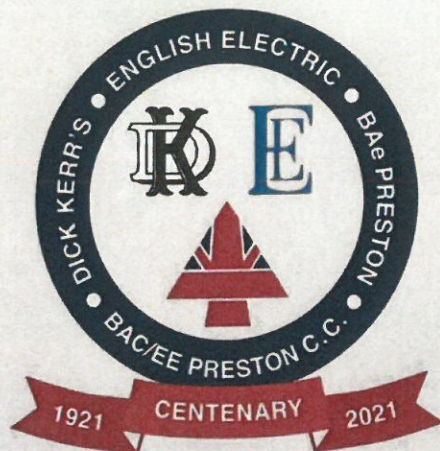


Best Witch in the House



Best in Visibility





Dear Parent / Carer,  
BAC/EE Preston CC – Junior Cricket Session

We are delighted to be offering free coaching and a junior cricket session starting Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021 from 10.30 am to midday at BAC/EE Preston Cricket Club, The Riverside, South Meadow Lane.

This is part of the club's centenary celebrations which we would like your child to be part of. The sessions are targeted at 7 to 11 year olds who fancy playing cricket and will be run by our junior coaching team.

If your child would like to come along and join in that would be great. Everybody is welcome. For parents, we will provide some refreshments and we are running a full programme of cricketing events culminating in a 25 over evening match on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2021 starting at 5pm between BAC/EE Preston CC and Preston North End Cricket Club which will involve some current and ex-PNE players.

We look forward to seeing you on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2021.

Yours faithfully,  
BAC/EE Preston Cricket Club Junior Coaching Team.

To book a place please contact Rob on 07712580708



**JUNIOR CRICKET TASTERS  
ALL WELCOME  
REFRESHMENTS FOR PARENTS**



**BAC/EE PRESTON CC  
CENTENARY CRICKET FESTIVAL WEEK**

**1<sup>ST</sup> – 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2021**

**WHAT: FUN CRICKET AND GAMES  
FOR WHO: ANYBODY AGED 7 -11 WHO FANCIES PLAYING CRICKET  
WHEN: 10.30 – 12.00, MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup>, WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
AUGUST 2021  
WHERE: BAC/EE PRESTON CRICKET CLUB, RIVERSIDE, SOUTH  
MEADOW LANE  
CONTACT ROB ON 07712580708 TO BOOK A PLACE**