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## Charity Week Total



Our final total raised for the Ronald McDonald House at Arrowe Park hospital was £4,016.22. This is by far the most money we have ever raised, the closest amount to it being in 2003 when we raised just under £3,500 for children with leukaemia. Megan, the representative from the charity came to the school to be presented with the cheque - she was stunned by the generosity of the children and their parents. A plaque with Greasby Junior School's name on has been installed on the 'Charity Tree' at Ronald McDonald House and the Student Voice went to see it earlier this week. Thank you once again for helping to raise such an amazing amount.

If any of you have a link to a children's charity and would like it to be considered as our chosen charity next year, please let us know at school.



## Accelerated Reader Success

The latest Star Reading tests completed just before the Easter break tell us that after 5 months of running the scheme the average reading age of the whole school has increased by 10 months. The results also show that the children's 'Oral Reading Fluency' (the number of words a child can read per minute) has significantly increased.

We are still in the early stages of the scheme's implementation but these results clearly indicate its effectiveness. You can now log on at home to see which books your child has read and how well he/she has understood them. Guidance on this was given out on Parents' Evenings and the link is: <http://ukhosted21.renlearn.co.uk/2244375/HomeConnect>. You will then need to log in using your child's log in number (contact us at school if you can't find this).

## Excellence Award

Day won the House Cup in February whilst Bennett took the trophy in March. The children from both Houses receive an extra playtime for their efforts.

Congratulations to Sofia and Will for winning the Excellence Award in February and March respectively. Sofia - who has won the award twice now - is a member of the Student Voice and recently visited Ronald Mc Donald House with her committee members to see the work they do. She likes maths and as well as being a very successful gymnast, she enjoys reading; her favourite author is David Walliams.

Will - a Year 5 pupil, loves history. His favourite food is lasagne but he really isn't a fan of sprouts. In his spare time he plays football for JFC Greasby and plays on his X-Box with his friends. When he grows up he either wants to be a footballer for Liverpool or a banker.



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### Chris Salmon Behaviour Award

Each term the staff choose a pupil from each year group who constantly demonstrates our 3Cs and always does the right thing. These four children win our Chris Salmon Behaviour Cup and each receive a gift voucher. Spring term's winners were:

Year 3: Lucas  
Year 4: Korey  
Year 5: Jamie  
Year 6: Harriet

Congratulations to you all.



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### Some special achievements

Each year over 2000 pupils from Wirral schools enter the Chris Salmon Poetry Extravaganza and for the second consecutive year, a Greasby Junior School pupil won first prize. This year's winner was Adam (right), one of our Year 6 pupils. However, Adam is no ordinary boy - after receiving his £100 prize, he decided to give the whole amount to Claire House, an incredibly thoughtful gesture which was received with amazement by the staff at the charity.

Sophie (left), is another talented Year 6 pupil who, in her spare time, is a very successful model. So far, she has modelled for Clarks, NEXT, JD Sports and has featured in three New Look campaigns, appearing in shops throughout Europe as well as being in the front window in Oxford Street for Primark!



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### Baby News

Mrs Mallon's identical twins were born at 9.30am on Friday 20th April. Jude (4lb 15oz) and Will (5lb 8oz) are doing very well and getting stronger by the day. Our very best wishes go to Mrs Mallon and her growing family.

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### Important Dates (Dates for the rest of the academic year are on the school website)

BikeIT Breakfast - Wednesday 2nd May (8.00am at Pump Lane)

Inset Day (school closed) - Thursday 3rd May

Year 3 trip to Chester - Friday 4th May

School orchestra perform at Gladstone Theatre Music Festival - Friday 4th May (7.00pm)

Secondary Transfer Meeting for Year 5 parents - Wednesday 9th May (6.00pm)

Open Forum Meeting - Monday 14th May (6.00pm)

Sorting Hat Assembly for Year 2 pupils - Tuesday 15th May (1.30pm)

School disco - Thursday 24th May (6.30 - 8.00pm)

Sports Day - Friday 25th May (12.20pm)

School closes for half term - Friday 25th May

School re-opens for Summer 2 - Monday 4th June

