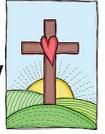




3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him.



Gold Awards

Awarded for achievements in their work.

Reception	Tabatha Meers for brilliant contributions during our RE discussions.
Year 1	Penelope Mitchell for always putting 100% effort into her learning and always showing green behaviour. Well done Penelope!
Year 2	Freya Billington for going above and beyond with her homework, aiming to complete every option! Well done Freya!
Year 3	Rocco Whalley for showing excellent attitude, determination and effort during our two-week swimming block. Henry Forshaw for being an enthusiastic and inquisitive learner. Henry is a sponge for knowledge!
Year 4	George Long for wonderful writing this week well done!
Year 5	Whole of Year 5 for showing amazing behaviour all week, even with different members of staff teaching you. Your kindness and positive attitude have shone through everyday!
Year 6	Theodore Meers for showing fantastic knowledge about the Vikings during our experience day Charlotte Ross for trying really hard to improve her writing with accurately punctuated complex sentences.

Super Citizens

For children showing the Gospel Value of Hope.

Reception	Oliver Cavanagh for having a 'can do' attitude when writing about his house.
Year 1	Isla Collier-Myers for giving 'hope' to her friend by helping them with their work in her own time without being asked. Well done Isla!
Year 2	Alfie Watson for showing hope by being extremely positive about all his extra work with Mr Mills. Thank you and well done Alfie!
Year 3	Kerrie-May Powers for showing hope by always wanting to be kind and helpful to her teachers and friends. Edith Wallbank for showing hope by always being willing to help, encourage and support her classmates.
Year 4	Aurelia Crossley for a positive attitude in class and in our worship assembly practice well done Aurelia!
Year 5	Lucas Feeney for bringing hope to our classroom through kind and thoughtful support by helping classmates learn through encouragement and teaching!
Year 6	Lucas Goldrick for working with others and supporting them respectfully. Theo Bray for always showing respect and taking pride in what he does.



The PTFA met on Wednesday evening this week to look at their next school events and projects.

We are always looking for more members. Everyone is welcome.

Proposed events—save the date

- **Easter Bingo** - Wednesday 25th March from 5.45pm until 7pm. £2 per person
- **Colour Run** - Thursday 21st May. A sponsored event
- **Alston Lane T-towel** - featuring drawn pictures of all pupils - summer term
- **Christmas Wreath making** - Friday 20th November
- **Christmas Markets** coach trip - to be arranged
- **Pupil Designed Christmas Cards and other items** - autumn term
- **Clothing collection** - PTFA receive a fee based on weight (must be clean and of good quality)

Potential projects to spend funds on include:

- New stage lighting in the hall using LEDs
- Redevelopment of the garden into 'Eden', a prayerful and calm growing space for all pupils



Our new school website is ready, although some sections still need fresh content adding.

<https://alstonlane.mecmat.org>

Please use this email address from now on. Our previous site no longer works.

Please share with friends and family.



Our Lady & St Michael's Church - Alston Lane



School Masses - Thursdays at 9am (unless stated otherwise)

29th Jan	9.00am	Year 4	Spreading Peace
5th Feb	9.00am	Year 3	God's Colourful World
12th Feb	9.00am	Year 6	The Good Shepherd

Parents are welcome to attend these Masses.

Mass Times at Alston Lane

Saturday evening at 5pm

Sunday morning at 8:30am and 10:30am

All are welcome at Mass

Winter Week 1 (26th Jan, 9th March, 20th April)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Big brunch: pork sausage or veg sausage (v), omelette, crispy potatoes and beans	Loaded mild beef or veg chilli (v) nachos with rice and salad	Roast chicken or Quorn fillet (v), Roast Potatoes & Veg	Booths Beef or Veg Burger (v) With paprika wedges	Fish or Vegetable (v) Fingers with chips
2	Pasta twists with dough balls (v)	Lancashire butter pie with veg or baked beans (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with herby bread (v)	Mac 'n' cheese with crusty bread (v)	Pizza Margherita (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich & chips

Winter Week 2 (2nd Feb, 23rd Feb, 16th March)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Loaded pizza panini with paprika wedges and peas (v)	Crispy chicken or veg (v) Goujons & Katsu curry sauce with rainbow rice.	Pork or Veg (v) Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding, mash & veg	Spaghetti Bolognese & Dough Balls (v)	Crispy battered Fish fingers (or veg fingers) & chips
2	Tomato & mascarpone pasta with herby bread (v)	Puff pastry cheese whirl with herby potatoes, peas or beans (v)	Pasta spirals & tomato sauce with dough balls (v)	Choice of filled omelette with wedges and beans (v)	Pizza Margherita & chips (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich & Chips

Winter Week 3 (9th Feb, 2nd Mar, 23rd Mar, 13 Apr)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Pork & carrot meatballs or Veg meatballs (v), mild chilli & sweet pepper sauce, rice and salad	Savoury mince & dumplings with mashed potatoes, green beans and carrots	Roast Chicken or Quorn (v), Roast Potatoes & Veg	Chicken curry or veg curry (v) with mixed rice and naan bread	Fish Fingers or veg fingers (v) & Chips
2	Harry Ramsden's salmon and sweet potato fishcake with herby potatoes (v)	Pasta tubes & tomato sauce with dough balls (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with herby Bread (v)	Vegetarian sausage roll, paprika potatoes, peas or beans (v)	Pizza Margherita & chips (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich with Tortilla Chips	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich & Chips



**WE ARE
HIRING!**

Lunchtime Welfare Assistants

Would you like to join our welfare team, supporting children as they eat and play at lunchtime?

11.50am until 1.05pm Monday to Friday, term time only.

£12.60 per hour (Foundation Living wage)

Working in school also includes holiday and sick pay.

If you would like to find out more, or would like to visit school, please contact us by email -

staff@alstonlane.mecmat.org

We look forward to welcoming you to Alston Lane.

Dates for the Diary

January

26 3pm Year 4 Class Worship - Parents invited

February

13 Close for half term

23 Inset Day - school closed

24 School reopens for spring 2 half term

25 Year 4 swimming block starts until 6th March

March

5 World Book Day

9 3pm Year 6 Class Worship – Parents invited

10 Science Roadshows

16 6.30pm Full Governors' Meeting

23 Parents' Evening day 1 – in school

24 Parents' Evening day 2 – in school

25 PTFA Bingo 5.45pm - 7pm

26 2.45pm Class Worship – Easter Focus – Year 3

27 Close for Easter holidays

April

3 Good Friday

5 Easter Sunday

13 School reopens for summer term

May

4 School closed - Bank Holiday

11-14 KS2 SATs Week

14-20 Book Fair

18-20 Year 4 at Tower Wood

18 3pm Year 1 Class Worship – Parents invited

21 PTFA Colour Run - sponsored event

21 Close for half term

22 INSET Day – school closed

June

1 School reopens for summer 2 half term

15 3pm Reception Class Worship – Parents invited

15 Class Photographs

15 6.30pm Full Governors Meeting

16 Sports Day – Juniors 1pm / Infants 2.30pm

27 Grimsargh Field Day – all invited to take part

July

2 Move Up Day (Y6 at Secondary Schools)

13 Reports to Parents

13 Leavers' Mass 6pm

15 Governors' SEC meeting 6pm

17 9.30am End of Year Whole School Mass

17 2.30pm Leavers' Assembly

17 Close at 3.30pm

**Some dates may change if necessary.
Please look regularly for changes.**



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Challenges to put your strength, stamina and skills to the test, all while having fun together outdoors!

Tug of war, hang tough, hill-sprint and much more!

Refreshments included

Parent and child (8+) teams



Date: Saturday 31st January 2026

Time: 10am-12pm

£15 per team

For more information visit: <https://wildwooddays.co.uk/event/wildwood-warriors/>

Questions and queries to: info@wildwooddays.co.uk

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