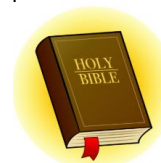




28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Matthew 22: 15-21

The Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle Jesus in his words. '...Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Whose likeness and inscription is this?' They said, 'Caesar's.' Then he said to them, 'Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.'



Gold Awards Awarded for achievements in their work.

Reception	Sienna Booth - For always listening and trying her best. Sienna has been learning how to write her name and is now able to form many letters correctly. Well done Sienna.
Year 1	Callie Adams - For working hard to use her phonics in her writing and trying her best with her handwriting. Well done Callie!
Year 2	Darcy Mae Anderton - For working incredibly hard in both Maths and English. I am very proud of her progress! Well done Darcy!
Year 3	Archie Donnelly - For excellent listening and attitude to learning, especially in English.
Year 4	Daisy Platt - For always giving of her best and trying so hard in lessons and also for always asking for help when she is 'stuck'!
Year 5	Charlotte Farmar - For joining in and asking amazing questions during our Anglo-Saxon Day. Well done Charlotte!
Year 6	Pippa Maughan - For working well in class and good participation.

Super Citizens For children showing the Gospel Value of Love.

Reception	Adaeze Uche-Okoro - For always showing love and care towards her friends in Reception Class. Adaeze shows acts of kindness and always speaks kind words to others. Well done Adaeze.
Year 1	Archie Forshaw - For showing 'love' by always working well with any partner, being kind to them and making sure they are focused on the task. Well done Archie!
Year 2	Nala Hamadziripi - For showing love to her classmate by complimenting his wonderful artwork linked to our Catholic Social Teaching lesson. Thank you Nala!
Year 3	Isla Rose Day - For showing love to others by displaying excellent sportsmanship during PE.
Year 4	Neave Rainford - For always having a kind and loving outlook to her classmates and her brother, which is so lovely to see.
Year 5	Christof Uche-Okoro - For showing love to himself by having the confidence to have a go and ask for help when needed. Keep it up Christof!
Year 6	Inayah Chughtai - For following green behaviours and working well in class.

Summer Week 1 (Half Term)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Chicken Goujons or Vegetable Finger Wrap, Paprika Potatoes, Veg, Beans	Mild Beef or Vegetable Chilli Nacho Bake, Rice & Sweetcorn	Pork or Vegetarian Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding, Mash, Veg	Chicken or Quorn Balti Curry with Rice & Naan Bread	Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips, Peas
2	Pasta Tubes & Tomato Sauce with Dough Balls & Salad (v)	Summer Picnic: Sandwiches, Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Pasta Salad	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta, Herby Bread, Salad (v)	Cheese Flan Baby Potatoes & Beans (v)	Pizza Margherita (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich

Summer Week 2 (2 nd Nov)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Herby Potatoes, Peas & Sweetcorn/Beans (v)	BBQ Pulled Pork or Quorn Burrito with Veg Rice	Roast Chicken or Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Veg & Gravy	Booths British Beef & Pork Burger or Veggie Burger with Paprika Potatoes	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas
2	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Herby Bread (v)	Mac 'N' Cheese with Crusty Bread & Peas (v)	Loaded Potato Wedges, BBQ Beans, Crispy Onions (v)	Pasta Spirals & Tomato Sauce, Dough Balls (v)	Pizza Margherita (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich

Summer Week 3 (19 th Oct)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Piri Piri Chicken or Quorn Pitta Pocket with Sunshine Rice & Peas	Harry Ramsden's Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake with Paprika Potatoes & Veg	Honey Roast Gammon & Pineapple or BBQ Veggie Meatballs with Rosti Potatoes	Chicken or Vegetable Tikka Curry with Rice & Naan Bread	Pork or Vegetarian Hot Dog, Crispy Onions & Tomato Ketchup with Oven Baked Chips
2	Pasta Twists & Tomato Sauce, Dough Balls (v)	Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Paprika Potatoes & Beans (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Herby Bread & Salad (v)	Summer Picnic Lunch of Sandwiches, Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Pasta Salad, (v)	Pizza Margherita (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich

Car Park Safety

Near misses on the car park are happening too frequently! These are due to pedestrian error and drivers attempting to get out quickly after pickup or drop-off. The potential for serious injury is high. Please park in allocated bays, collect pupils from the playground and drive with extreme caution at all times. Thank you

Hello Yellow!

Thank you for supporting this charity. We raised just short of £220, which is a wonderful donation, whilst also raising awareness of children's mental health.

Year 6 – Secondary School Applications for September 2027

The deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October 2026. Applications must be made online through Lancashire County Council's admissions website. [Applying for a secondary school place](#)

Reception Class School Applications for September 2027

The deadline for Reception Class applications is 15th January 2027.

At Alston Lane, we do not hold an open day for new parents; instead Mr FitzGibbon welcomes parents for individual tours of school. If you would like a tour or know of a family looking to find out more about our fantastic school, please contact the school office to make an appointment. Applications are made through Lancashire County Council's admissions website. [Applying for a primary school place](#)

Changes to Lunchtimes - from after half term

Helping our pupils to feel that they are part of the 'Alston Lane family' is really important to us. We also want to give them lots to do at lunchtimes, so they keep healthy, active and interested.

From 3rd November, we are changing the way classes eat in the hall and how they play outside. We hope that all pupils will be supported to eat calmly, build cutlery skills and learn new games to play outside. Watch this space for more information.

Harvest donations to the Food Bank

We collect food bank donations throughout the year at the school office, but in October, we collect food and non-food items for our harvest celebration. A separate email will be sent to all parents with further information. Please send in your generous donations from Monday 19th and we will take them to the food bank on Friday 23rd October.

Halloween Disco – costume advice

Please do not send pupils into school in their costumes. Older infants can change themselves in the classroom, or parents will need to help their child outside of school before coming back in at 3.45pm. Thank you

Autumn Term Class Masses – parents are welcome to join us in church each week

Date and time	Class or Whole school	Theme
22 nd October 9am	Year 4	The gift of seeing
5 th November 9am	Year 3	God's colourful world
12 th November 9am	Year 6	Listening
19 th November 9am	Year 5	Forgiveness
26 th November 9am	Year 4	Talents
3 rd December 9am	Year 3	Spreading peace
17 th December 9.30am	Whole School	Advent

Dates for the Diary

Diary dates have moved to the school website. Key dates are also listed below.

[Calendar | Alston Lane Catholic Primary School and Nursery](#)

October

- 19 Food bank collection begins, until Friday
- 23 Halloween Discos
- 23 Close at 3.30pm

November

- 2 INSET Day – school closed
- 3 School open
- 4 PTFA Rag Bag collection
- 4 PTFA Meeting 6pm
- 9 Individual and family photographs
- 9 3pm Class Worship – Year 2
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 16 Anti-Bullying Week – 'Break the Silence'
- 12 pm Y6 Secret War visit
- 20 6.30pm PTFA Wreath Making workshop
- 27 Pantomime at The Grand Clitheroe

December

- 1 Y4 visit to Helmsshore Mill
- 3 Christmas Fair 3.45pm – 5.45pm
- 7 Assessment Week
- 7 KS2 Carol Concert 5.45pm in church
- 9 Nursery Nativity 2.30pm in the hall
- 15 KS1 Nativity 2.30pm and 6pm (Rec at 2.30 show)
- 18 Close

Friday 23rd October – Halloween Discos

Nursery and Infants: 3.45pm - 4.45pm (last 15 minutes set aside for eating their hot dog or pizza)

Juniors: 4.45pm - 6pm (first 15 minutes set aside for eating)

£3 per pupil, via Arbor, includes a hot dog or pizza and drinks. **See our disco poster below.**

Available to book on Arbor (under School Shop)

****please select either Halloween Disco with hot dog OR Halloween Disco with pizza**

Wednesday 4th November - Rag Bag Collection

We will have another "Rag Bag" Collection, this time on Wed 4th November – please see flyer below. If you are having a clear out at home, please keep items to one side and bring into school after the half term holiday.

Wednesday 4th November – PTFA Meeting

Come and help us plan the Christmas Fair. The meeting starts at 6pm in school.

Friday 20th November – Christmas Wreath Workshop

Open to parents and friends of the school - £40 per person.

All materials provided by the expert wreath maker, who will guide participants as they create their Christmas wreaths. Refreshments provided.

Available to book on Arbor (under School Shop). Limited places available!

Thursday 3rd December – Christmas Fair

3.45pm till 5.45pm

Festive games, Father Christmas' Grotto, refreshments and much more. Volunteers are always needed on the day and to set up. Look out for more details as we get closer.

Easy Fundraising App – see information below.

This easy app links easily to your online purchases with all the high street favourites and supermarkets. Simple set up and no extra cost to you! 9 people have raised £127.60 already, just through their weekly shopping and other online purchases.



Make purchases through the APP and raise money effortlessly!

Using Easy

Fundraising is free and can raise huge amounts for school without any additional work. Just remember to access shops through the APP.

Supermarket shops can also be linked when you register your debit card to the purchase. It really is 'Easy Fundraising'!



Parent/Carer Survey

Please can we encourage parents/carers to complete this Lancashire County Council survey, by Fri 23rd October 2026:
www.lancashire.gov.uk/family-survey/



Firework Code

As Bonfire Night is approaching, we have been asked to share this important safety guidance.

Family First Magazine – Autumn 2026

Lots of interesting articles in here.

[Family First – Issue 4 2026 – Family First](#)

Alston Lane

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Friday 23rd October

Infants 3:45 - 4:45pm
Juniors 4:45 - 6:00pm

£3 ticket | Incs Pizza/Hot Dog & Unlimited Juice

Sweet Treats, Snacks & Glow Accessories for Sale

★ Prizes for best fancy dress ★

Alston Lane Catholic Primary School & Nursery

Rag Bag Recycling Day!

COLLECTION DAY:
Wednesday 4th November 2026

Bring in your donations on Tuesday 3rd November and the morning of Wednesday 4th November 2026.

WE ACCEPT:

- Good quality, clean:
- ✓ Men's, Ladies' & Children's Clothing
- ✓ Belts & Bags
- ✓ Paired Shoes

WE CANNOT ACCEPT:

- ✗ Workwear or School Uniform
- ✗ Wet or Soiled Clothes
- ✗ Blankets & Towels
- ✗ Pillows & Cushions
- ✗ Suitcases & Carpets
- ✗ Books & Bric-a-Brac
- ✗ Hangers or Electricals

Turn your old clothes into cash for our school!

Please only fill your black bags **3/4 full.**

Tom Bamber
SPORTS COACHING

AUTUMN FOOTBALL CAMP!

Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

8.30am – 4.00pm

£ £20 per day or £90 for all 5 days

- ✓ FUN GAMES
- ✓ SKILLS
- ✓ TEAMWORK
- ✓ MAKES FRIENDS
- ✓ ENJOY FOOTBALL!

Location:
Alston Lane Primary School, Longridge

HAFF FREE FUNDED PLACES AVAILABLE

To book call Tom on: **07725 232384**
or email: bambertom@hotmail.com

LONGRIDGE NETBALL CLUB

WE ARE NOW RECRUITING!

YEAR 1 & YEAR 2'S

SATURDAY MORNINGS
9AM - 10AM
@ LONGRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

BEE NETBALL
WITH TRAINED BEE NETBALL LEADERS & LEVEL 2 COACHES

COME DOWN & TRAIN WEEKLY

COME DOWN FOR YOUR FREE TASTER SESSION!

FREE TASTER SESSIONS STARTING FROM SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

Bee Netball

COME & JOIN THE HIVE!

PM US OR CONTACT **KATY BESWICK**
ON **07717 436744**

BUILD SKILLS • MAKE FRIENDS • HAVE FUN!

Free Monthly Parent Webinars from the School Nursing Team

We are pleased to offer a series of **free monthly online webinars** for parents and carers commencing October 26, providing practical advice and support on a range of children's health and wellbeing topics:

 **Sleep** – Tips for establishing healthy sleep routines and managing common sleep difficulties.

 **Contenance** – Information and support to help children develop healthy bladder and bowel habits. * if a child has symptoms such as pain when using the toilet, blood in their urine or poo, repeated infections, unexplained weight loss, severe constipation please seek advice from your GP before joining the webinar.

 **Healthy Lifestyles** – Advice on nutrition, physical activity, screen time, and building healthy habits for the whole family.

 **Behaviour and Emotional Health** – Understanding behaviour, supporting emotional wellbeing, and helping children build resilience.

All webinars are delivered online by members of the School Nursing Team and are free to attend. **No referral is required.** Parents and carers can book directly onto any webinar using the registration links available on our website.

To book a place, visit: <https://lancschildandfamily.co.uk/> and click the link for "**Access our virtual groups**"

Or Scan the QR Code

