



2nd Sunday in Lent. Matthew 17:1-9

While **Peter** was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!”

When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.”



Gold Awards Awarded for achievements in their work.

Reception	Jaxx Moorcroft for seeing a friend upset and going to find an adult.
Year 1	Cora Logan for always being ready to learn and share her creative ideas and brilliant knowledge with the class. Well done Cora!
Year 2	Grayson Gowans for using adventurous adjectives in his writing this week.
Year 3	Zoya Chughtai for demonstrating excellent writing skills and making a valuable contribution in English lessons.
Year 4	No award due to swimming.
Year 5	William Rainford for excellent effort in lessons, particularly working hard in maths and RE.
Year 6	Tilly Ainsworth for showing a growth mindset and persevering when tackling some tricky maths this week. What a star!

Super Citizens For children showing the Gospel Value of Justice.

Reception	Primrose Holder for always making sure games are fair.
Year 1	Elsie Simpson for showing 'justice' by always listening to others share their ideas and helping her peers if they are struggling with a task. Well done Elsie!
Year 2	Harriet Porter for making an effort to help new adult with classroom rules and routines.
Year 3	Neave Rainford showing justice by always willing to help and stand up for others. She always wants to do the right thing and is always kind to everyone.
Year 4	No award due to swimming.
Year 5	Leo Carruthers for his honesty and standing up for what is right in school!
Year 6	Nancy Millward for showing a supportive, caring and kind attitude when supporting her friends through a difficult situation. Well done Nancy.

Winter Week 1 (9th March, 20th April)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Big brunch: pork sausage or veg sausage (v), omelette, crispy potatoes & 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

Winter Week 2 (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

Winter Week 3 (2nd March, 23rd Mar, 13 Apr)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Pork & carrot meatballs or Veg meatballs (v), mild Chilli & sweet pepper sauce, rice & salad	Savoury mince & dumplings with mashed potatoes, green beans, 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 (v) with dough balls	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	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich

Current attendance by year group for this academic year:

Green = above national average

Red = below national average

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
School Average	93.0%	91.5%	95.0%	96.5%	97.4%	97.0%	94.3%
National Average	93.8%	94.5%	94.9%	95.2%	95.1%	95.0%	94.6%

Sporting Achievements

Well done to the Year 3 and Year 4 football team who represented Alston Lane at a tournament this week. The boys played brilliantly and came 3rd overall. A great achievement amongst strong competition.



School Dinner price increase from Easter

The price of a school dinner will rise, after the Easter holidays, to 10p per meal and follows Lancashire County Council's decision.

Parents' Evenings – March 2026

Face-to-face parents' meetings will take place in the school hall on Monday 23rd March and Tuesday 24th March. Bookings for these will be open one week before, using Arbor. We ask parents, including separated families, to try and make one booking rather than multiple ones, where possible.

Children's books will be available, after each appointment, so you can see their wonderful work.

Spring 2 PE Timetable (24th February to 27th March)

PE lessons have changed for some classes.

Children will be taking part in physical education lessons on the following days:

Monday	Nursery & Year 4
Tuesday	Year 5
Wednesday	Nursery, Year 2 & Year 1
Thursday	Reception & Year 3
Friday	Nursery & Year 6

Please ensure that children have their kit or suitable clothing for these days. Thank you.

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

Book sale, reading cafe & our book inspired hat competition. It's going to be a great day!
Get creative this weekend to create your hat.

Dates for the Diary

March

- 5 World Book Day
- 9 ~~3pm Year 6 Class Worship – Parents invited~~ - postponed
- 10 Science Roadshows
- 17 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 and Close for summer at 3.30pm