



ALSTON LANE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

Learning and Growing as Children of God

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER **Friday 17th October 2025**



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Luke 18: 1-8

The Parable of the unjust judge.

Jesus tells a parable about a widow who does not stop asking the judge for justice. He only relents because she will not stop asking.

Jesus calls his disciples to be relentless in their faith and not stop because they face hardship or barriers. If our faith is strong and we are determined, God's love will never be withheld.



Gold Awards

Awarded for achievements in their work.

Year 1	Kali Wiltshire for showing great confidence when answering questions on the carpet and joining in with group activities with enthusiasm. Well done Kali!
Year 2	Freya Billington for her amazing maths work this week and for always being ready and eager to learn. Well done Freya!
Year 3	Bonnie Farnworth for always being ready to learn, trying her best and being a great role model to others.
Year 4	Arlo Meers for showing a thoughtful understanding of the virtue of love in our class worship and RE project work this week.
Year 5	Lucas Feeney for writing an amazing independent non-chronological report on a Centaur, using fantastic Year 5 writing techniques!
Year 6	Theodore Meers for having an excellent attitude towards reading.

Super Citizens

For children showing the Gospel Value of Love for one another in all their thoughts and actions.

Year 1	Roman Banner for showing love to his classmate by playing with them when they were lonely. Well done Roman!
Year 2	Enver Holder for showing love by always complimenting and celebrating the work of his classmates. Thank you Enver!
Year 3	Eva-Rose Wane for showing love by always being in the green, being kind to her classmates and being a happy, positive presence in class and around school.
Year 4	Harriet Dixon for excellent focus in class, particularly during maths lessons, where she has shown great confidence this week.
Year 5	Danny Goldrick for showing love to his team during PE and being kind to the other team, showing great sportsmanship!
Year 6	Charlotte Ross for showing love by helping her friends in class to achieve their potential.

Parents Evenings

Thank you to everyone who booked sessions with the teachers. We are aware that there were some technical errors, on our part, that meant some of you missed meetings. Apologies for this.

Please contact your child's class teacher if you were unable to book, did not receive the TEAMS link or another issue stopped you from accessing the meetings.

Next year we will do both meetings face-to-face in the hall.



Can you be a regular donator to our food bank collection? Please place items in the box next at the school office, or in the church porch.



Halloween Discos on Wednesday 22nd October

Nursery and infant Disco - 3.45pm until 4.30pm

Parents must accompany nursery children.



Infants will be brought into the disco from the classroom. Please send any costumes into school in a bag, or come and help them change at 3.30pm.

Junior Disco - 4.45pm until 5.45pm

Juniors should go home and return to their disco at 4.45pm.



Parent volunteers are needed for both discos. They will be helping to sell items and serve food during the evening.

Next Meeting: 6pm 12th November - to arrange the Christmas Fair

If you are in a position to help this talented group of dancers compete in Las Vegas in October 2026, please click the link below to help them achieve this aspirational goal.

One of our own pupils was in the team who received a 'Golden Buzzer' and a fast pass to the final.

Thank you from King's Dance Academy.

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Toileting, eating, weight,
sleeping, behaviour ...
etc.

**The school nurse is visiting on Monday 20th October
from 8.45am, for a parents' drop-in.**

We are often asked about children's health issues and refer these to the school nursing service. If you have a query and would like to ask in person, please drop in on Monday 20th October at 8.45am to meet her.

Please sign in at the school office first.

This is a confidential service for parents.

Thank you to parents who signed up for the catch up flu immunisation sessions this week. If you have not managed to access this yet, you can still contact your GP who can arrange this very worthwhile medication.



Access to help from the food bank is now through referral only. Please contact Mr FitzGibbon, Mrs Woodrow or the school office if you need support.

The Gateway Trust, who operate the Longridge food bank, can also support our families with affordable counselling and art sessions for disadvantaged children or children with special educational needs and disabilities.

Contact Mr FitzGibbon for additional information.

Our Lady & St Michael's Church - Alston Lane

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

16th Oct	Year 5	Friends are a gift
6th Nov	Year 4	The gift of seeing
13th Nov	Year 3	God's colourful world
20th Nov	Year 6	Listening
27th Nov	Year 5	Forgiveness
4th Dec	Year 4	Talents
11th Dec	Year 3	Spreading peace



Mass Times at Alston Lane

Saturday evening at 5pm

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

All are welcome at Mass

Parents are welcome to attend these class Masses.

Summer Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Oriental Style Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs, Rice or Noodles	Cheese Swirl with Herby Potatoes (v)	Roast Gammon or Veg Meatballs (v), Roast Potatoes & Veg	Booths Beef or Veg Burger (v) Tortilla Chips	Fish or Vegetable (v) Fingers
2	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta (v)	Veg Tikka Curry, Rice and Naan (v)	Summer picnic lunch - sausage roll & sandwiches	Pasta Tubes in Tomato Sauce (v)	Pizza Margherita (v)
3	Choice of sandwich	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich

Summer Week 2 (20th Oct)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Vegetarian Sausage Roll and herby potatoes (v)	Southern Style Chicken Goujons & Chilli Wedges	Booths Pork or Veg (v) Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding, mash & veg	Cook's Choice of Chicken or Veg Curry (v), Rice and Naan.	Crispy battered Fish & chips
2	Loaded Veg and bean Taco with Rainbow Rice (v)	Mac and Cheese with crusty bread (v)	Spaghetti Arrabbiata & Dough Balls (v)	Homemade Cheese Flan & Baby Potatoes (v)	Pizza Margherita & chips (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich with Tortilla Chips	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich & Chips

Summer Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Booths Pork or Veg Hot Dog (v), Ketchup and Wedges	Golden Crumb Salmon or Veg Fingers (v) with Paprika Potatoes	Roast Chicken or Quorn (v), Roast Potatoes & Veg	Spaghetti Bolognaise with Dough Balls	Fish Fingers & Chips
2	Pasta Twists & Tomato Sauce with Dough Balls (v)	Loaded Pizza Panini & Tortilla Chips (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Herby Bread (v)	Ploughman's Picnic lunch with Crusty Bread	Pizza Margherita & chips (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich with Tortilla Chips	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich & Chips

Dates for the Diary

October

- 22 3.15pm Reception class learning showcase
- 22 PTFA Halloween Discos
- 24 Close for half term

November

- 3 INSET DAY - School closed
- 4 School reopens for Autumn 2 half term
- 10 Individual and family photographs
- 13 'Bug Busters' visit for Y1 and Y2
- 13 Y6 Secret War visit
- 24 6.30pm Governors' Meeting
- 26 Year 4 Helmsore Mill visit
- 28 Pantomime at The Grand
- 28 Planned Christmas fair date

December

- 5 Christmas Wreath Workshop – 7-9PM
- 7 Christmas Wreath Workshop—1-3PM
- 8 Junior Carol Concert in church
- 10 Christmas lunch
- 10 Nursery nativity in the hall
- 17 Infant nativity in the hall
- 19 School closes for Christmas

January

- 5 School reopens for the spring term
- 6 Year 3 swimming block starts till 15th Jan
- 15 Year 6 Viking Day
- 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
- 24 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
- 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 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.**



Happy Minds & Juno

bring you our

OCTOBER

HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

at St. Maria Goretti

27TH - 31ST OCTOBER

8:30AM - 4:00PM

Glow-in-the-Dark
Dodgeball

Football

Play-Doh
Modelling

Lego
Construction

Den
Building

Arts & Crafts

Lasertag

...and lots more!



Prices



£22.50 per day

£100.00 for the whole week

You will need to provide your child with a packed lunch and snacks to last the day.

Book Here



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JINGLE BELL J G

Sunday 30th November 2025

Arrive from 11am • Jog starts 12 noon

£10
for a
family
of 4

£3
per entry



Join us for a fancy dress,
1-mile toddle, walk,
jog, or run around the
UCLan running track at:
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Please pass on if you know someone who may need help this year.

