



# Newsletter Friday 12th June 2026

Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

Dear parents and Carers,

We have been absolutely delighted to welcome our upcoming Reception children and their parents into school this week for their first visit. Over the next couple of weeks their transition visits will continue and Miss McEnnerney will visit each home and nursery. This level of communication is so important to ensure that every little person is happy and confident to join us in September. We are so excited to officially welcome you all into the GMSJ family this coming September!

Know Anyone Looking for a School Place?

Word of mouth is our best advertisement! We currently have a few exciting opportunities to join our school community:

- September Reception Starters: We still have a few places available for children starting school this September.
- Years 2 & 3: We also have one or two rare vacancies in our current Year 2 and Year 3 classes.

If you have friends, family, or neighbours who are moving to the area or looking for a wonderful school place for their child, please pass on our details! Interested parents can contact the school office on **01282 615055** or email **gmsjoffice@cidari.co.uk** to arrange a tour.

A Very Busy Term Ahead!

We are officially in the thick of the bustling summer term, and the school is absolutely alive with activity. Here is a snapshot of what's keeping us busy at the moment:

- Sports Day Prep: Our PE kits are getting a workout as the children practice their sprints, relays, and teamwork. We are crossing our fingers for beautiful weather—stay tuned for final dates and timings!
- Class Assessments: Teachers and children are working incredibly hard in the classrooms at the moment completing end-of-year assessments. We are so proud of the resilience and "can-do" attitude the children are showing.
- Year 6 Celebrations: It's a bittersweet time for our oldest pupils. Year 6 are currently busy preparing for their end-of-year events and leavers' celebrations.

Kind Regards,

Mrs M Underwood

Head Teacher





## Coffee, Chat & Foodbank Essentials

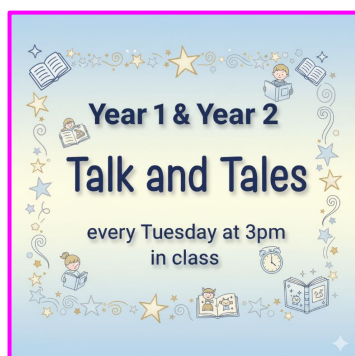
Join Mrs. Lawton this Tuesday, June 16th, for our weekly Coffee and Chat session! This week, we are hosting a special delivery of essential foodbank items. Come by for a free coffee, a biscuit, and a friendly chat - and please feel free to take whatever foodbank essentials you need.

## Labelling School Uniform

A polite reminder to please ensure that **all** items of clothing - especially coats, jumpers, and cardigans - have your child's name clearly written on them. Labeling clothes helps us return lost items to their rightful owners quickly. Thank you for your cooperation!

## Reporting absences

A quick reminder to all families regarding our morning registration. If your child is unable to attend school for any reason, or has an appointment, please ensure the office is notified before 9:00 am. Absences can be reported easily via ClassDojo, by calling the school phone and leaving a voicemail on Option 1, or in person at the school office. We have a duty of care to know where our pupils are. Therefore, any unreported absences will be logged as unauthorised, which can result in a penalty notice from Lancashire County Council (LCC).



## Talk & Tales & Rhyme Time

These sessions run EVERY Tuesday in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 at 3pm.



## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 16th June	School Hall	Foodbank 8.45 - 10am
Wednesday 17th June	Reception/ Year 6	Gardeners & Seedlings worship 9am
Wednesday 24th June	Reception	Blackpool Zoo
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6	Bowling
Friday 17th July	Year 6	Leavers service
Friday 17th July	School closes at 2pm for Summer Holiday	

# GMSJ Award Winners



Alice Year 4  
For Fabulous Story Writing

Iris Year 4  
For Fabulous Story Writing

Ahmad Year 6  
For Fabulous vocabulary to  
describe a setting



## Attendance Awards

Attendance Winners:

Year 5

Most Improved:

Year 5



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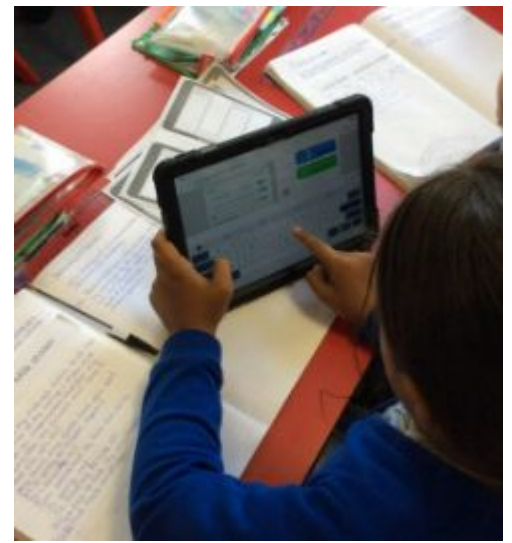


# Whalley Forest School





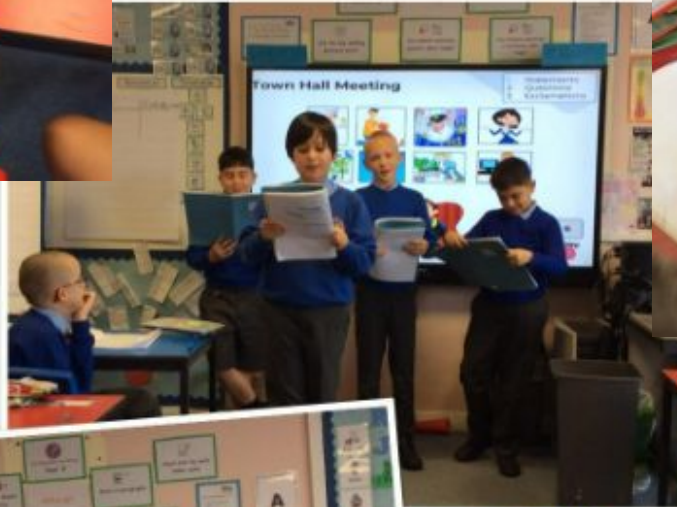
Our Year 1 students swapped the classroom for the great outdoors recently with an exciting trip to Whalley Forest School. It was a fantastic day filled with nature exploration, hands-on learning, and plenty of fresh air!



This week year four have continued their work on the book Macavity. We were given characters who have had things stolen and spoke about our frustrations at a town hall meeting



We then text a different character who was there about how frustrating it was that the culprit hadn't been found.





Reception have loved exploring the new activities linked to our seaside theme 🌊



# Reception



The Reception children loved making music with the instruments outside!





On  
Wednesday  
we said  
goodbye to  
our butterfly  
friends 🦋



# COFFEE & CHAT

## & FOODBANK SUPPORT

JOIN US IN THE SCHOOL HALL

# Tuesday, June 16th

## 8:45 AM - 10:00 AM

### SPECIAL FOODBANK SESSION!

While you have a free coffee and biscuits, our focus today is on our in-house foodbank, packed with a wide variety of groceries for our families.



## 8:45 AM - 10:00 AM

### Great Marsden St John's