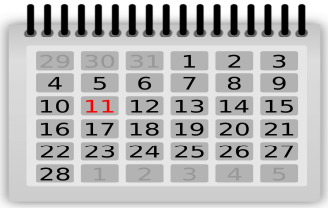
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 23rd October 2026

Dates to Remember



Friday 23rd October – Half term – School closes today at 3.15pm

Tuesday 3rd November – Children return to school

Friday 6th November - Year 5 will be taking part in a STEM workshop which will teach them all about sustainability and electric cars.



On Friday 16th October, our Year 3–6 children took part in an online session for Restart a Heart Day. They learnt about the importance of DRSABC and how to respond in an emergency. Our Year 5 and 6 pupils took their learning a step further by learning how to perform CPR on a casualty! Well done to everyone for getting involved in such an important life-saving skill.





This is just a polite reminder that we are a **nut free school.**

Please do not send your child to school with any snack/packed lunch items that contain nuts.

Your Linked Community Senior Family Support Worker is:

Nasima Munir

Coffee Morning at School ☕🍰

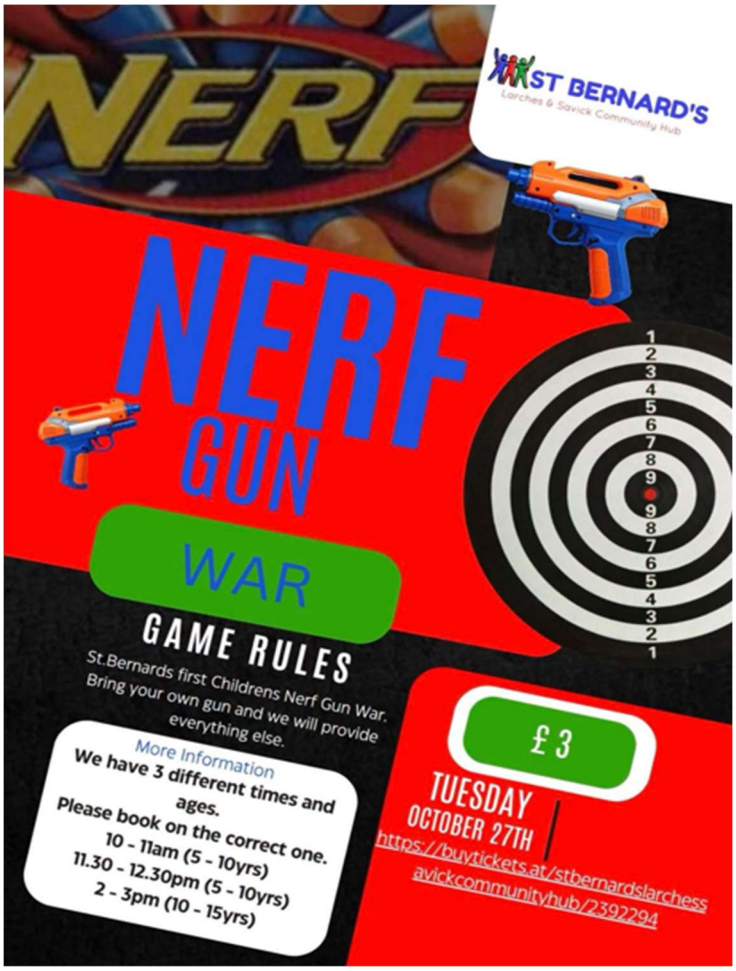
Join us for our upcoming Coffee Mornings on:

Tuesday 3 November (9am 10am)

Tuesday 1 December at school (9am-10am)

Come along to find out more about the support and services available through Family Hubs, meet the team, enjoy a brew and a slice of cake and have a chat with other parents and carers.

We look forward to seeing you there! 😊







When we return from our half-term holidays on Tuesday 3rd November, we will be supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Poppies and other items will be available to purchase in school in return for a donation.

Thank you for your kind support and generosity.



Attendance and Punctuality

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	92.75%	95.93%	98.67%	95.93%	97.41%	99.31%	93.43%
Punctuality	2 Late	0 Late	1 Late	0 Late	2 Late	1 Late	0 Late



This week we had a surprise visit from the Preston North End Deepdale Duck!

Remember, should any families wish to attend the upcoming Preston North End v Sheffield United fixture on Tuesday 3rd November 2026, with a 7.45pm kick-off please use the below promotional code when booking tickets.

Promotion code: SACREDHEART50

Please see the terms and conditions below, which must be followed when using the codes:

Terms and Conditions -

- The promotion is valid for Preston North End v Sheffield United on Tuesday 3rd November 2026 (7.45pm kick-off).
- At least one adult and one junior ticket must be included in the basket.
- A minimum basket spend of £35 is required before the discount can be applied.
- The promotion offers 50% off stand tickets, up to a maximum discount of £100 per transaction.
- Promotion code applied at checkout when ordering online at https://www.eticketing.co.uk/pne
- Standard match ticket terms and conditions still apply.
- Failure to meet these terms and conditions will result in the booking being cancelled.

🌿 Could You Help Us Grow?

At our school, we are always looking for ways to make our environment the very best it can be for our children. We would love to develop our garden areas and create welcoming, attractive outdoor spaces for everyone to enjoy.

We are reaching out to our wonderful school community of parents, carers, grandparents and family members who may have a little spare time and a love of gardening, planting or simply getting stuck in and making a difference!

Whether you have green fingers, enjoy being outdoors, or would just like to lend a helping hand, we would love to hear from you. You don't need to be an expert gardener — enthusiasm and a willingness to help are all that's needed!

Our aim is to bring together a small team of volunteers who can help us improve and care for our outdoor areas, making them brighter, greener and more enjoyable spaces for our children.

By working together, we can make a real difference and show our children the power of community spirit. Every helping hand, no matter how big or small, would be greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in getting involved, please get in touch with the school office. We would be delighted to hear from you and look forward to growing something wonderful together! 🌱

Year 6 Winmarleigh Residential Trip

Thank you to all parents and carers who have already made payments towards the Year 6 residential trip to Winmarleigh, taking place next March.

If you would like to secure your child's place and have not yet made a payment, please ensure that the £20 deposit is paid via ParentPay by Saturday 31st October.

Thank you for your continued support.

School Trips – Your Support Makes a Difference

We believe that educational visits and school trips provide wonderful opportunities for children to learn, explore new experiences and create lasting memories. We are committed to offering these valuable experiences wherever possible.

We would like to kindly remind parents and carers that, whilst contributions towards school trips are voluntary, the school is no longer in a position to subsidise the cost of these visits. We therefore rely on the support of our families to help make these experiences possible for our children.

If your child has an upcoming school trip, payment can be made conveniently via ParentPay. Your contributions make a real difference in helping us to continue to provide enriching and memorable opportunities for our pupils.

Thank you for your continued support, understanding and generosity in helping us give our children these wonderful experiences.

October Half Term Groups at a glance

BEST START IN LIFE

Monday 26th October - Saturday 31st October 2026

Monday

Messy Play
@Ribbleton 09.30-11am
Baby & You
@West 09.30-11am
Messy Play
@West 09.30-11am
Mini Move & Groove
@ East 09.30-11am

Mini Colourful Footsteps
@Riverbank 1-2.30pm
Colourful Footsteps
@Ribbleton 4.30-6pm
Step Up to Youthwork
@Moor Nook 3.30-5pm

Tuesday

Baby & You
@Ribbleton 09.30-11am
Story Time
@West 09.30-11am
Stay & Play
@Moor Nook 09.30-11am

Music Group
@Riverbank 1-2.30pm
Family Stay & Play
@Riverbank 3.30-5pm
Family Stay & Play
@West 3.30-5pm

Wednesday

Sensory Play
@Riverbank 09.30-11am

Halloween Party
@Moor Nook 11am-2pm
bookable

Thursday

Stay & Play
@West 09.30-11am

Halloween Party
@Riverbank 1pm-4pm
bookable

Mini Colourful Footsteps
@Ribbleton 1pm-2.30
Stay & Play
@Ribbleton 3.30-5pm

Friday

Sensory Play
@West 09.30-11am
Baby & You
@Riverbank 09.30-11am
Mini Move & Groove
@Ribbleton 09.30-11am
Story Time
@East 09:30-11am

Stay & Play
@Riverbank 1-2.30pm
Stay & Play
@West 1-2.30pm

Saturday

Dad's & Male Carers Group
@ Moor Nook 10-11.30am

All Groups are Free

FAMILY HUBS AND CENTRE ADDRESSES

RIBBLETON FAMILY HUB, RIBBLETON HALL DRIVE, PRESTON, PR2 6EE
RIVERBANK FAMILY HUB, BRIERYFIELD ROAD, PRESTON, PR1 8SR
PRESTON WEST FAMILY HUB, AINSDALE DRIVE, PRESTON, PR2 1TU
MOOR NOOK FAMILY HUB & YOUTH ZONE, BURHOLME ROAD, PRESTON, PR2 6HN
PRESTON EAST FAMILY CENTRE, WATLING STREET ROAD, PRESTON, PR2 6TU

TEL: 01772 539444

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR UP TO DATE INFO

Weighing Clinics and Support Groups:
Weighing Clinic. Monday @Preston West Family Hub 09.15-11.15am
Breastfeeding Support Group. Tuesdays @Ribbleton Family Hub 10-11.30am
.Weighing Clinic. Wednesday @ Ribbleton Family Hub 09.15-11.15am

FAMILY HUBS NETWORK

KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) OCTOBER HALF TERM 2026

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE
Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

ASDA
Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN
Kids Eat Free October 9th - 31st via Perks App

BELLA ITALIA
Children eat for £1 with any adult main

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE
2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with 1 paying adult

BILLS
Kids Eat Free Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

BREWDOG
Kids eat free this Oct with **KIDS EAT FREE** bookings

CAFE ROUGE
Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

CHIQUITO
Kids eat FREE during all school holidays

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES
Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch

FARMHOUSE INNS
2 Kids eat free during the October Half Term

FLAMING GRILL
1 Kid eats free weekdays this October half term

FRANKIE & BENNYS
Kids eat FREE during school holidays

FUTURE INNS
Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS
Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HARVESTER
Kids eat for £1 until November 1st 2026 via App

HUNGRY HORSE
2 Kids eat for £1 this October Half Term

IKEA
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS
Kids eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE
Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MARSTON PUBS
kids eat for £1 during the october half term

MORRISONS
Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM
Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

PREMIER INN
2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO
Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PUREZZA
Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS
Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS
Kids eat for £1. Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE
2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TESCO
Kids Eat free weekdays with an adult purchase

TGI FRIDAYS
Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK
Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELODGE
2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

TURTLE BAY
Kids eat free with a £15 adult spend via app

VILLAGE HOTELS
Kids eat free via the village app

WHITBREAD INNS
2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI
Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

ZIZZI
Kids eat free weekdays in school holidays

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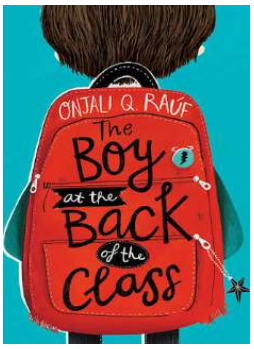

Looking for your child's next great read? We highly recommend *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, a heart-warming and funny story about friendship, kindness and helping others feel welcome.

This is a wonderful book for children aged 7–11 and offers a great opportunity to talk together about empathy, inclusion and standing up for others.

Our reading challenge: Can your child think of one small act of kindness they could do this week?

Happy reading!

Subject: Important Information Regarding Secondary School Applications and Transport Eligibility

Dear Parents and Kinship Carers of Current Year 6 Pupils,

We are writing to provide important guidance regarding your child's upcoming secondary school application, with particular emphasis on home-to-school transport considerations.

Before submitting your application, it is essential to carefully consider how your child will travel to and from your preferred secondary schools. Free travel assistance is only available to pupils who meet the criteria outlined in Lancashire County Council's **Home to School Transport Policy**.

When selecting your school preferences, please ensure you have read and understood the information available on the Lancashire County Council website regarding **school admissions and travel assistance**.

Please note:

- For transport purposes, the *nearest suitable school* is defined as the school closest to the family home. In some cases, this may be a school located within another local authority area.
- If you choose a school that is not considered the nearest suitable school, there is **no entitlement** to free transport. In such cases, you will need to make your own travel arrangements.
- Most children will attend their local school, which is typically within a reasonable walking distance when accompanied by a parent or carer.
- If transport costs are a concern, we strongly encourage you to contact your **Area Education Office** before submitting your application.

NORTH AREA Lancaster, Morecambe, Wyre and Fylde	SOUTH AREA Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley	EAST AREA Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale
(01524) 581148	(01772) 532109	(01254) 220747

If your child is not eligible for free travel assistance but you would like your child to travel to school by bus, you may be able to buy a season travel pass from us.The County Council will not provide extra services for non-statutory pupils and you will need to plan how your child will get to school if space on the bus is not available.

Please call 0300-123-6738 or visit School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council to make an application.

It is important to plan ahead. Please make sure that appropriate transport is available, should a place be allocated at your preferred school.