

Newsletter— 26th September 2025



Learning, growing and caring as part of God's family.





"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit.

John 15:5

Our Christian value for this half term is LOVE

 Time to Shine 	
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments
Sienna Morgan Y6	Sienna has good manners. She has a positive attitude & is lots of fun.
Rio Barker-Smith Y5	Rio is a happy man. He has fantastic drawing skills & is a great gamer.
Mabel Ellis Y4	Mabel is a great footballer. She is a good listener & is respectful to everybody.
Omra Hashimi Y3	Omra always tries hard & has a smile on her face. She is kind & caring.
Eathan Yisen Y2	Eathan is resilient & never gives up. He is kind & sharing. He is good at English.
Ellie Mitchell Y1	Ellie is caring & cheers people up when they are sad. She is a good singer.

 Writers of the Week 	
Name	Reason
Marcus Hammond Y5	For using clues in a story to write a super descriptive ending.
Tala Dawson Y4	For writing an incredible description of the Lock Ness Monster! Well done!
Juana Manoj Y3	For using prepositions and super noun phrases to write super descriptions.
Leo O'Donnell Y2	For excellent command sentences.
Archie Wong Y1	For creating his own poem with super rhyming words.

Non-Uniform Day—Friday 3rd October
Next Friday is NON-UNIFORM day in exchange for pre-loved books. Please see the posters attached to the newsletter and around school for further details. Scot4All will then hold a book fair on 13th, 14th & 15th October. Again, please see the attached poster for full details.

Worship in School
On Monday we looked at the book by Charlie Mackesey - The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse to find ways that we can show love to our friends. On Tuesday, the Worship Together Team from Blackburn Diocese had a message about Secret Agents from the Bible, living out God's Big Story. The singing on Wednesday filled us all with joy and love as we sang about God's love for us. Rev Catherine joined us on Thursday and continued the theme of God's love and how it is so big, it is immeasurable.

Y2 Assembly
Y2 will lead assembly on Thursday 16th October starting at 3pm. All Y2 parents are invited to attend.

Celebrating Life in School
There has been some great art going on in school this week, Nursery have been finding out about Autumn and making pictures with what they found outside. Y1 have also been using natural items to make pictures of their faces. They have also been learning the names of the parts of their body using an outline of a willing helper! Y3 have been continuing their graffiti topic and perfecting their 'tags' which are really colourful. Reception have been learning how important it is to wash their hands and clear their teeth. To see more of what goes on in school, please visit the school blog: Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School (scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk)

Harvest
This year's Harvest service will be held in school on Thursday 2 nd October at 2.45pm and will be led by Rev Catherine and the Worship Team. Due to space, only the parents of the Worship Team are invited. We would really value donations (on the day to be taken to your class) of food - tinned or packets, which will be taken to The Olive Branch the next day. Please give generously as every little helps the charity to help those in need. If you are unable to contribute due to your own circumstances, do not feel obliged. And if we can be of any help, please talk to either Mrs Walsh or Miss Flynn. We have lots of contacts with people who may be able to help you.

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	What	Who
Mon 29 Sep	Morning	Flu vaccinations	YN-Y6
Wed 1 Oct	Morning	Individual photos	YN-Y6
Thu 2 Oct	2.45pm	Harvest Festival (see separate box)	YR-Y6
Fri 3 Oct	All day	Non-Uniform Day (see attached poster)	Every-one
Tue 7 Oct	Morning	Visual Screening Check	YR
Wed 8 Oct	1.15-6.30pm	Parent consultation (no children)	Every-one
Mon 13- Wed 15	3.25-4pm	Scot4All Preloved Book Fair (see attached poster)	Every-one
Wed 15 Oct	1.30-3pm	Open Afternoon for new Reception 2026	All
Fri 17 Oct	8.32am	Bishop Philip's visit to St Paul's Church	Every-one
Wed 22 Oct	3.25pm	Close for half term break	Every-one
Mon 3 Nov	8.45am	Re-open after half term break	Every-one

Rosie the Reading Dog

Rosie the Reading Dog came into school for a visit last Friday. While many of you are familiar with her role in school, we thought it might be good to let you all know why she comes in. Rosie comes in usually once a fortnight (depending on the headteacher's meetings schedule) and stays with Mrs Walsh in her office. Children from different classes visit her to read her their reading book - fiction or non-fiction (she is not fussy). She loves listening to children read and is non-judgemental, doesn't correct words and lets the children get things wrong from time to time! Because of this, children read with fluency and confidence and develop a love for reading - even if they don't get all the words right all of the time. The children are not left alone with Rosie, but Mrs Walsh is fully engaged with her work and is definitely not listening to all the wonderful reading at the same time as typing! We have insurance for Rosie to be in school and she is extremely friendly, however no child will be made to read to her - it is completely their choice.

School Nurse Drop-in Service

The School Nursing Team will be running a drop-in service on the first Tuesday of every month between 12.30pm and 1.45pm starting on Tuesday 7th October. This service is for parents (not children) to discuss any health concerns they have about their child. It is located at the Carnforth Hub which is located next to Carnforth Hight School. Car parking is available at the rear of the building.

Trip Permission/Medical Forms

Please complete and return forms to school as soon as possible ensuring all details are complete, in particular your child's NHS number. Without a completed form, the children are not able to take part in activities outside of school. If the original has not made it home, copies can be obtained from the school office.

Parent Consultation Appointments

If you haven't yet returned your appointment slip, please ensure you do so by MONDAY 29th September. You will be notified of your appointment time by Friday 3rd October at the latest.

Parent Governor Nominations

Information was sent out last week asking if any parent would like to be a parent governor. Nominations must be returned to school by midday on Wednesday 8th October.

School Spaces

Rather unusually, we do have some spaces in classes across school. If you know anyone who may be interested in a place in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 or Year 6, please ask them to get in touch with the school office. We also have a few spaces in our Nursery for anyone aged 3 or 4 (and not school age).