‘Learn, Pray, Care & Play’

St. John’s C of E (VA) Primary School

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Friday 23rd October 2026

School News No.0484

Dear Parents/Guardians:
What a busy half term it has been! We end today celebrating our SIAMs inspection report, which is attached to this newsletter. It clearly shows that our distinctive Christian School always underpins and we all live out our Christian Values and faith. Our community flourishes because of the nurturing and caring relationships.

Cliviger is a great place to be! Happy half term everyone!

****Next Week****

Monday 2nd November
Cliviger Conker Championships
Bonfire Safety talks for Y5/6 – Police

Wednesday 4th November
Y6 Welly Wednesday

Thursday 5th November
Y5 Planting bulbs with the Friends of Towneley

Friday 6th November
EYFS/Y6 Writing Day
EYFS Yogi in PE
Non-Uniform for the church Autumn Fayre
Bring in a decorated sweet jar filled with sweets.
Y2/Y6 ChildSafe and RoadSense lessons
2:30pm Y4 Family Fun Friday

Saturday 7th November
11am Church Fayre. Choir singing at 11am

Prayer of the Week

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit’s gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Makaton Sign of the Week
Children



https://youtu.be/J56U6uiQxs0?si=3CdB2SrFRUPiL3J4

The school Facebook account is Cliviger Primary School.

Dates: School closes for half term on Friday 23rd October and re-opens on Monday 2nd November 2026

Thanks for your continued support.

Naomi R. Healey

Mrs N. R. Healey
Headteacher

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AUTUMN TERM

Monday 9th November
Civic Afternoon in school

Tuesday 10th November
Interfaith Football Tournament with Barden at The Leisure Box (am)

Wednesday 11th November
Remembrance Day – Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, Guides, Brownies & Rainbows in uniform.
Progress Evening

Thursday 12th November
SEND Farm visit (am)

Friday 13th November
EYFS Yogi in PE
Y5/6 Intrahouse Dodgeball at Barden (pm)
2:30pm Y1 Family Fun Friday

Saturday 14th November
The turning on of Burnley Christmas Lights with Lantern Parade
1:30pm Choir singing on the main stage
Lantern parade Y5/6 meeting at 4pm

Monday 16th November
Anti-Bullying Week
BSSP SEND event at Burnley College (pm)

Wednesday 18th November
Y4 Welly Wednesday

Thursday 19th November
International Men's Day at Barden

Friday 20th November
Sleep Day and the importance of it.
Come in your pj's.
EYFS Yogi in PE
2:30pm Y2 Family Fun Friday

Monday 23rd November
5pm Full Governors

Winner of the Church Monthly Draw

The winner of the church draw for October 2026, is number 322, H Belafonte with prize money of £140.00.

Attendance Figures

R – 94.0%
Y1 –98.0%
Y2 –97.3%
Y3 – 96.7%
Y4 –92.8%
Y5 – 92.2%
Y6 – 95.0%

Overall school attendance was 95.3%.
Well done to our Year 1 class who had the highest attendance last week



Remembrance



Poppies will be sale after half term so that we can all remember the brave soldiers past and present. A donation of at least 20p would be gratefully received for a poppy.
These can be worn at school until Friday 13th November 2026.

Intrahouse Athletics

Our Intrahouse competitions have started for the year ahead and all children in KS2 have competed in this.
Well done to all of them.



Here are the results: -

1st – Dyneley (blue)
2nd –Causeway (Green)
3rd - Deerplay (Red)
4th – Thieveley (Yellow)

These scores will be put on the Sports Board (outside Y1), and we will keep a running total throughout this year for all the Intrahouse events.

Mad Hatter with Mrs Healey

Congratulations to these children who were chosen to attend the Mad Hatter this half term.



Sporting Values

We award these at the end of each half term.

EYFS
Determination - Elijah Fay
Honesty - Anna Bateson
Passion - Oliver Barsby-Walton
Respect - Henry Hawkins
Self-belief - Joseph Jones
Teamwork - Arthur Foggan

Y1
Self-belief- Rory Gibbons
Passion- Nancy Higgins
Determination- Solomon Fritchley
Honesty- Jack Fraser
Respect- Amyrah Rashid
Teamwork- Lucy Sutcliffe

Y2
Self-belief - Arthur Ingham.
Passion - Jack Holt.
Teamwork - Sadie Bennett.
Respect - Henry Starkie.
Determination - Violet Howarth.
Honesty - Rowan Carson.

Y3
Respect - Ted Kelly
Teamwork - Gwen McDonough
Determination - George Cliff
Passion - Rosie Higgins
Self-belief - Stanley Waterworth
Honesty - Emilia Scott

Y4
Passion- Storie Barton
Teamwork- Phoebe Bradbury
Self-belief-Lukas Hoyle
Respect- Eli Smith
Determination- Hughie-Jax Bridge
Honesty- Ilijana Taylor

Y5
Respect - Sebastian Fritchley
Teamwork - Ella Parkinson
Determination - Carson Sturgeon
Passion - Elizabeth Wood
Self-belief - Reuben Cliff
Honesty - Arno Garnett

Y6
Passion-Sonny Rodriguez
Respect- Emma Nicolson
Self-belief- Oliver Rickard
Honesty- Anastasia Keddick
Teamwork- Robbie Pott
Determination- Reggie Rushton

Y6 Children – Information for High School New Reception Intake September 2027

APPLYING FOR SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2027

For Lancashire resident families who will require a primary or secondary school place in September 2026 the means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at: -

www.lancashire.gov.uk

(Then search "school admissions")

This will go live from **September 2026.** It is quick and easy to use and offers an e-mail receipt of all submitted applications. Please ensure that you **hit the "submit" button** when you are ready to send in your completed on-line application. You must apply even if you already have siblings at your preferred school or academy. If you live in Lancashire, you can include out of area preferences on your on-line application.

A HUGE thank you to all our children who have taken part in the £20.26 challenge so far! We've seen some amazing challenges and achievements and as a school we are extremely proud.

But it doesn't stop there..... we still have 3 months left to go! So, who's ready to take on a challenge and join the fun?? We can't wait to see what you come up!

Here is the QR code to get started

Email your challenge and photos to **ourschool@cliviger.com**

Wow Walk with Rae







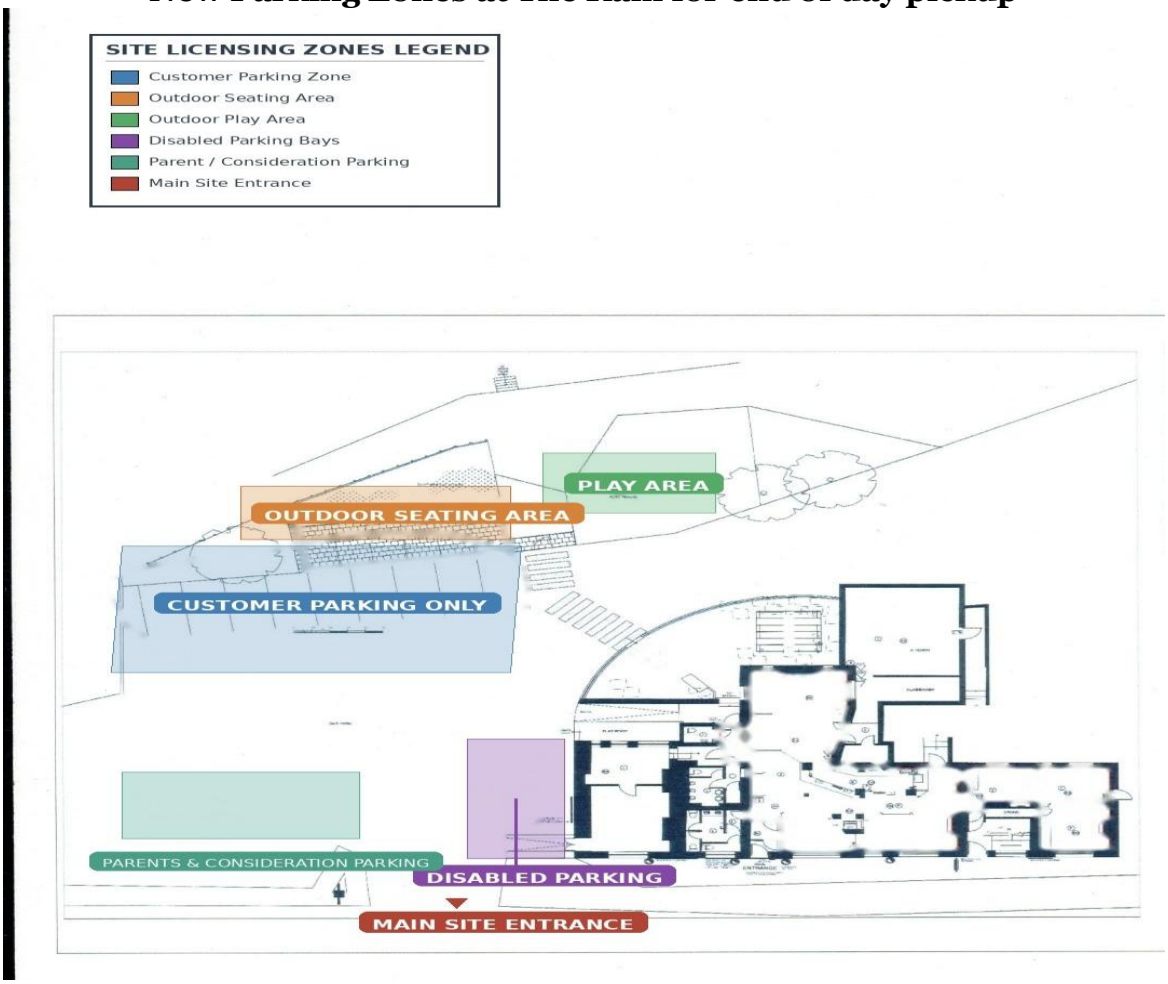


Year Group Times Tables Rock Stars	Winning Team	Top Three Scorers	Most improved
Year 6	**Group B:** Hidayah Anwar Wilf Atkinson Joey Jones Anastasia Keddick Cora Pate Oliver Rickard Samuel Sanderson Lucy Swindells	1st – Oliver Rickard 2nd – Amelia Mulrooney 3rd – Cora Pate	Maggie Schinkel
Year 5	**Team A:** Arno Garnett Teddy Howarth Carson Sturgeon Ivy Williamson Lilly-May Woinson Elizabeth Wood	1st – Ella Parkinson 2nd – Teddy Howarth 3rd – Ivy Williamson	Arno Garnett
Year 4	**Emperors:** Penelope Atkinson-Wareing Oliver Bond Finlay Froude Nell Miller Violet Nesbitt-Harbour Ashton Warburton	1st – Nell Miller 2nd – Leo Lennox 3rd – Rory Fletcher	Rex Keenan
Year 3	**Team B:** Harry Gavin Rosie Higgins Jude Jones Ted Kelly Evelyn Locke Louie Longden Gwen McDonough Robyn McGivern	1st – Rosie Mulrooney 2nd – Emilia Scott 3rd – Robyn McGivern	Harry Gavin
Year Group Numbots	**Most effort and most improved**		
Year 2	Harry Smith Roman Frost		
Year 1	Mabel Gane Jack McKinlay		
EYFS	Ava Barker		

A huge well done to all the children for taking part and being pro-active in developing their number fluency! Keep up the good work and continue practising!

Getting ready for Christmas
Church Fayre
Saturday 7th November
11-1pm

New Parking Zones at The Ram for end of day pickup



This week I have received further correspondence from The Ram about the use of their parking spaces by our parents and visitors.

We are looking at whether a designated customer parking area could be a more suitable solution. Our current proposal is to reserve a number of spaces specifically for pub customers, supported by clear signage. Attached is a diagram showing which areas parents are welcome to use, as well as the spaces we would like to keep available for customers (the spaces nearest to the fence/field). My hope is that this provides a fair and practical solution for both the school community and our business.

We are committed to rebuilding and strengthening the relationship between The Ram, the school, and local families. As part of this, we will be running a Kids Eat Free promotion throughout the upcoming half-term holiday, and I have attached a copy of the poster for your information. Following half term, we will also be offering Children Eat Free between 2pm and 5pm during term time, which we hope will be of benefit to local families.

One area where we may need to take a different approach is during December school performances and events. Unfortunately, these occasions had a substantial impact on customer parking last year, during what is an exceptionally busy period for the business.

Whilst we are keen to avoid introducing parking charges generally, we may need to implement them for event days throughout December to help ensure parking remains available for our customers. Any charge would be deducted from the bill of those who choose to eat or drink with us.

We appreciate that this is not an ideal solution, but having explored the available options, we believe it is the most practical way to balance the needs of both the school community and our customers during the festive season.

Job opportunity at our school



We are advertising for a TA 2a to initially work in our Y6 class 1:1. This role will be until July 2027 but could be extended by the governors.

[Job Vacancies | St John's C.E. (VA) Primary School, Cliviger]



Half Term Heroes

At the end of every half term the children are asked to choose their 'Half term hero'. This is a child who has shown their Christian Values and helped the other child in some way. They are all placed in a class box and one is chosen at random.

Congratulations to our half term heroes.

EYFS – Selina King was chosen by Anya Walton
Y1 – Jack McKinlay was chosen by Bowie Barton
Y2 – Rowan Casson was chosen by Martha Kurtianyk
Y3 – George Cliff was chosen by Harry Williams
Y4 – Rex Keenan was chosen by Leo Lennox
Y5 – Bronte Williams was chosen by Daisy-Boo Thompson
Y6 – Oliver Rickard was chosen by Joseph Thompson

Coming up.....

