

St. John's
C of E (VA)
Primary
School

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Friday
25th
September
2026

School
News
No.0481

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In the blink of an eye, we are heading towards the end of September and Autumn has officially started on Wednesday. We are looking forward to our Harvest service in church with Revd Victor next Wednesday at 10am. You are welcome to come and join us in this worship.

****Next Week****

Monday 28th September

KS2 Intrahouse Athletics in their PE lessons
Y5/6 Blackburn Cathedral Trip (am)
6pm CHSA Meeting

Tuesday 29th September

Active 60 Festival BSSP (am)
Y1 Yogi in PE

Wednesday 30th September

Y2-6 Pupil Conferences and targets sent home.
Y3 Welly Wednesday
10am Harvest service in church with Revd Victor. The school choir will be singing.

Thursday 1st October

Y6 Activity Day at Towneley and sleepover at school.

Friday 2nd October

Whole School Glow Dodgeball Day
Y6 Activity Day onsite at school.

Prayer of the Week

O Almighty God,
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector
to be an apostle and evangelist:
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain
and the possessive love of riches
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus
Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Makaton Sign of the Week Autumn



<https://youtu.be/ospbmbRo2Jc?si=Jo2xh-TOmh4otdxE>

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 5th October

TT Rockstars and Number Bonds Week

No Choir After School

Governor Committee Meetings

Tuesday 6th October

Flu vaccinations

Y1 Yogi in PE

BSSP KS1 Animal Olympics 4pm

Wednesday 7th October

Y2 Welly Wednesday

10am Worship in church with Revd Victor

Thursday 8th October

Y4 Trip to Ribchester Museum

Friday 9th October

Maths Number Fun Day

Wear a number and come in your own clothes

2:30pm Y5 Family Fun Friday

Monday 12th October

Period Coach in with Y5 and Y6

Tuesday 13th October

Y1 Yogi in PE

2:30pm EYFS Drop In session

Wednesday 14th October

EYFS Welly Wednesday

Cliviger Cares Harvest Afternoon Tea with the Elders (prior invitation)

Thursday 15th October

2:30pm EYFS Drop In session

Friday 16th October

Y3/5 Writing Day

Y2 WW1 Lancashire Heritage morning in school.

Y6 Family Fun Friday at 2pm

The winner of the Church draw for September 2026 is number 180, B Stuttard with prize money of £140.00.

Cauliflower Cards

CAULIFLOWER CARDS

PART OF CAULIFLOWER GROUP LTD.



The children will be designing Christmas cards in school and will be bringing an order form home on **Friday 25th September**. If you wish to order your child's card you must do this online at www.cauliflowercards.co.uk by **Friday 2nd October**.

For each pack of cards or items ordered £1 up to £5.00 will be donated to school.

The artwork should then be returned to school by **Monday 5th October** so we can send it all off. This is a simple fund-raising idea, and the cards are lovely, mugs and gift tags can also be ordered.

Attendance Figures

R – 98.0%

Y1 – 99.0%

Y2 – 99.3%

Y3 – 97.0%

Y4 – 97.6%

Y5 – 93.5%

Y6 – 95.3%

Overall school attendance was 97.2%.
Well done to both the Y1 class who had the highest attendance last week

MacMillan Coffee Morning



GOLDEN BOOK

EYFS

Being kind: Polly Howarth for always helping the adults in class.

Being respectful: Flynn Starkie for beautiful sitting and lovely manners.

Friendship: Etta Durkin for sharing with her friend.

Thinking outside the box: Mamie Winters for great answers in RE.

Working hard: Elijah Fay for working hard in phonics.

Year 1

Being kind: Nathan Annice for looking after his friends when they are upset.

Being respectful: Willow Green for being a lovely young lady to everyone in class.

Friendship: Oliver Law for being a good friend to all and being patient and kind.

Thinking outside the box: Harvey Hocking for showing active listening and thinking hard about his answers.

Working hard: Mabel Gane for giving 100% in every lesson and impressing me daily.

Year 2

Working hard: Ruby Jean Thompson for a great attitude and effort in her work.

Thinking outside the box: Franc Taylor for excellent connections in his RE lessons.

Friendship: Evie Byrne for playing well with others in class.

Being kind: Lexi Wood for the lovely way she interacts with others.

Being respectful: Harry Smith for his respect and readiness to learn.

Year 3

Working hard: Harriet Bideau for trying her hardest and showing resilience in all her lessons.

Thinking outside the box: William Rigg for his creative ideas and explorative answers.

Friendship: Eliza Barsby-Walton for looking after other children in the class at playtime and being a great friendship buddy.

Year 3

Being kind: Nellie Allum for being a wonderful role model, helping her friends and teachers.

Being respectful: James Rowe for always being polite, showing good classroom manners and being a great role model.

Year 4

Working hard: Elsie Allum for consistently giving it her all in every subject.

Thinking outside the box: Storie Barton for great focus.

Friendship: Nate Cawtherley for looking after his friends.

Being kind: Daphne Flynn for showing beautiful manners too all.

Being respectful: Nell Miller for super conduct with friends and staff.

Year 5

Working hard:

Elizabeth Wood for showing determination and dedication to reading each night.

Thinking outside the box:

Carson Sturgeon for an excellent commitment to active listening and learning in Year 5.

Friendship:

Arno Garnett for being someone you can always count on.

Being kind:

Ella Parkinson for always being ready and willing to help anyone.

Being respectful:

Bronte Williams for being polite and well-mannered.

Year 6

Working hard: Lyla McNulty for producing some amazing work in all subjects.

Thinking outside the box: Reggie Rushton for brilliant effort in handwriting.

Friendship: Robbie Pott for looking after his friends brilliantly.

Being kind: Cole Simpson for being very helpful in class.

Being respectful: Emma Nicolson for always doing the right thing.

CHSA
Church School Home Association



This is our school PTA and plays a crucial role in raising additional funds for our children. I have attached the flyer which shows where all the money went last year. It is amazing and ensures our children's time at Cliviger is enriched and exciting!

Our first meeting is on **Monday 28th September at 6pm.** We meet in the Y3 classroom which is in the New Building.

Everyone is welcome to attend and we would love to see you there!

2026 Challenge

It was wonderful to see all the challenges completed outside of school in the Spring and Summer term. It is still 2026 so you still have time to complete a challenge, raise your £20.26 and wear your wristband in school.

A reminder.....

The challenge is simple:

Raise £20.26 in any way you like – get creative, have fun, and spread kindness along the way.

Children can choose any fundraising idea that suits them.

Some ideas include:

- Helping with chores at home (tidying, washing cars, gardening, etc.)
- Acts of kindness (helping a neighbour, reading to a sibling, doing something thoughtful for someone else)
- Making and selling crafts or artwork
- Sponsored activities (walking, running, skipping, dancing)
- Baking cakes or biscuits to sell
- Collecting spare change (pennies make pounds)
- A simple donation from family members

What are we fundraising for?

As well as raising vital funds for the CHSA to support extracurricular opportunities, termly activities, and much more for our children, this challenge is closely linked to our curriculum and our school values of kindness. It encourages children to take part in thoughtful, helpful acts and to recognise the importance of caring for themselves and others while making a positive difference in our school community.

Returning Funds Raised

- Money can be returned as soon as it has been raised
- Please place money in an envelope with the child's name and class clearly written on the front, or as above, donate it to the online campaign with your child's name.
- If you prefer to pay directly online here is the link [£20.26 for 2026 Challenge | SuperKind](#)

Want to Raise More?

If your child would like to raise more than £20.26, they are very welcome to do so!

High School Open Evenings

I would encourage families in Y5 and Y6 to go and have a look around our local high schools. Y6 applications need to be completed by 31st October 2026 by our current Y6.

St Christopher's - Tuesday 29th September
6-8pm

Unity - Thursday 1st October
5:30pm - 7:30pm

Blessed Trinity - Thursday 8th October
6-8pm

Todmorden High School - Thursday
24th September 5:00pm-7:00pm.

We realise the Unity night clashes with our Y6 sleepover. Please let the office know if you plan to attend this.

Y5 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.

Maths Practice: Little and Often Makes a BIG Difference! ★



Just 5–10 minutes a day can make a huge difference to your child's maths! 📖 ✨
We encourage all children to use Numbots and Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) regularly at home. Both programmes make maths practice fun while building confidence and fluency.

📖 Reception & Infants – Numbots

Numbots develops essential early number skills, including counting, number recognition, addition, subtraction and number bonds. Regular practice strengthens these foundations and helps children feel more confident in maths lessons.

📖 Juniors – Times Tables Rock Stars

TTRS helps children develop quick and accurate recall of multiplication and division facts. Secure times tables support many areas of maths, including fractions, decimals, percentages and problem-solving. Automatic recall means children can focus more easily on solving challenging problems.

📖 Little and often is the secret!

A few minutes of regular practice is more effective than one long session occasionally. Encourage your child to practise, challenge themselves and celebrate their progress.

'Love one another as Jesus loved us' John 13 v 34-35



**Preloved school uniform items,
toiletries and hats**
Please help yourself.

Free to all!

You can find it in the entrance to the
New Building, outside the office.

Harvest

We will be supporting the Bishop's Harvest Appeal by completing our Silly Sock race w/b 28th September in our PE lessons.

We will also be supporting BFC in the Community and their foodbank this Harvest.

They are collecting: -

UHT milk
Beans
Soup
Pasta
Rice
Tinned fruit
Tinned meals
Tinned meat
Tinned fish



Please bring to our Harvest service on
Wednesday 30th September in church at 10am
with Rev Victor.

School Lottery



To register go to www.yourschoollottery.co.uk
Find our school and sign up as a new player.
Thankyou!

This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children!

It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment as well as run extracurricular activities such as music, art and sport.

Easy fundraising



Raise Money for Our School – Simply by Shopping!

Did you know you can raise money for school without spending anything extra? With **Easyfundraising**, a percentage of what you spend online is donated to our school.

Here's how-

- 1 Shop online as normal
 2. Pay the same price
 - 3 Our school receives a donation!
- Your shopping could help us raise much needed funds for our children.

Every penny really does make a difference!

Sign up today and support our school while you shop! ☺

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>