‘Learn, Pray, Care & Play’

St. John’s C of E (VA) Primary School

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Friday 6th November 2026

School News No.0485

Dear Parents/Guardians:
Welcome back to Autumn 2! The children have been busy taking part in their Cliviger Conker Championship battles this week and it is lovely to see how much they have enjoyed this. They have all started rehearsing and learning their Christmas Shows even though it feels very early to be doing this. Tomorrow is the ‘Getting Ready for Christmas’ event, and our school choir will be opening this at 11am with a couple of songs. I encourage you to come along and support our church, win a few sweet jars and have a couple of hour’s fun (11-1pm).

****Next Week****

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

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

Prayer of the Week

God of glory,
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,
that we with all creation
may rejoice to sing your praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Makaton Sign of the Week
Fireworks



https://youtu.be/fVlP2kVClaQ?si=u8tPnC4obRpM0E44

The school Facebook account is Cliviger Primary School.

Dates: School closes for Christmas on Friday 18th December and re-opens on Monday 4th January 2027

Thanks for your continued support.

Naomi R. Healey

Mrs N. R. Healey
Headteacher

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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

Tuesday 24th November
BSSP Glow Dodgeball event at Unity 4pm

Wednesday 25th November
Y3 Welly Wednesday

Friday 26th November
Dress Rehearsal morning
All after school and lunch time club's finish

Monday 30th November
Invitation to place baubles in memory of a lost loved one on our Prayer Tree.
KS1 Christmas Show
The Sleepy Shepherd
2pm and 6pm

Tuesday 1st December
KS2 Christmas Show
Straw and Order
2pm and 6pm

Wednesday 2nd December
Y2 Welly Wednesday
KS2 Christmas Show
Straw and Order 6pm

Thursday 3rd December

Attendance Figures

R – 92.3%
Y1 –90.7%
Y2 –97.3%
Y3 – 96.0%
Y4 –96.4%
Y5 – 90.4%
Y6 – 94.3%

Overall school attendance was 94.0%.
Well done to our Year 2 class who had the highest attendance last week



We are offering extra-curricular music lessons for children in KS2 (Year 3 - Year 5). There are many different instruments that children can learn such as, brass instruments, keyboard, guitar, woodwind, or string instruments. If your child is interested, please telephone Lancashire Music Services on 01257 234450 or by emailing lancs.music@lancashire.gov.uk We hope that lots of our children will be continuing to express themselves through music whilst learning a new skill.







The Perfect Christmas Present

Looking for ta fantastic personalised gift this Christmas?
Our School Potrait Tea towels are only
£4.50 or 2 for £8
Purchased via ParentPay.

For every tea towel bought a percentage goes directly back into the CHSA, contributing towards additional extra curricular opportunities for your child throughout the school year.

Deadline for orders
Friday 20th November

A lovely worship in church on Wednesday where Rev Victor began talking to use about who God is. Members of Worship Club lead us in prayer.



Children in Need

We are collecting cake donations for our cake sale for Children in Need. Please bring cakes in on Thursday 12th November. Thank you for you continued support.

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

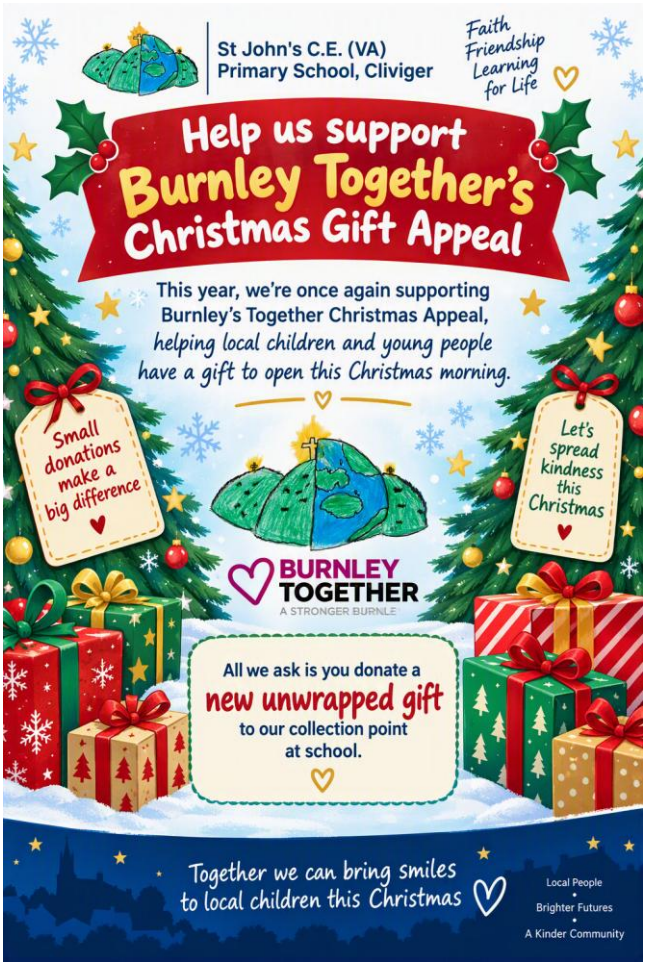
The school choir will be opening the fayre at 11am

The school for their contribution will be again filling **an empty jar (jam, cooking sauce – but not curry!!) with wrapped sweets and decorating it in a Christmas style with glitter, pictures, bows, paper etc.**

Then bring it to school on Friday 6th November and wear their own clothes for the day.
NB – Please do not use jars that have had strong flavours in, and it is better if you can put in wrapped sweets!



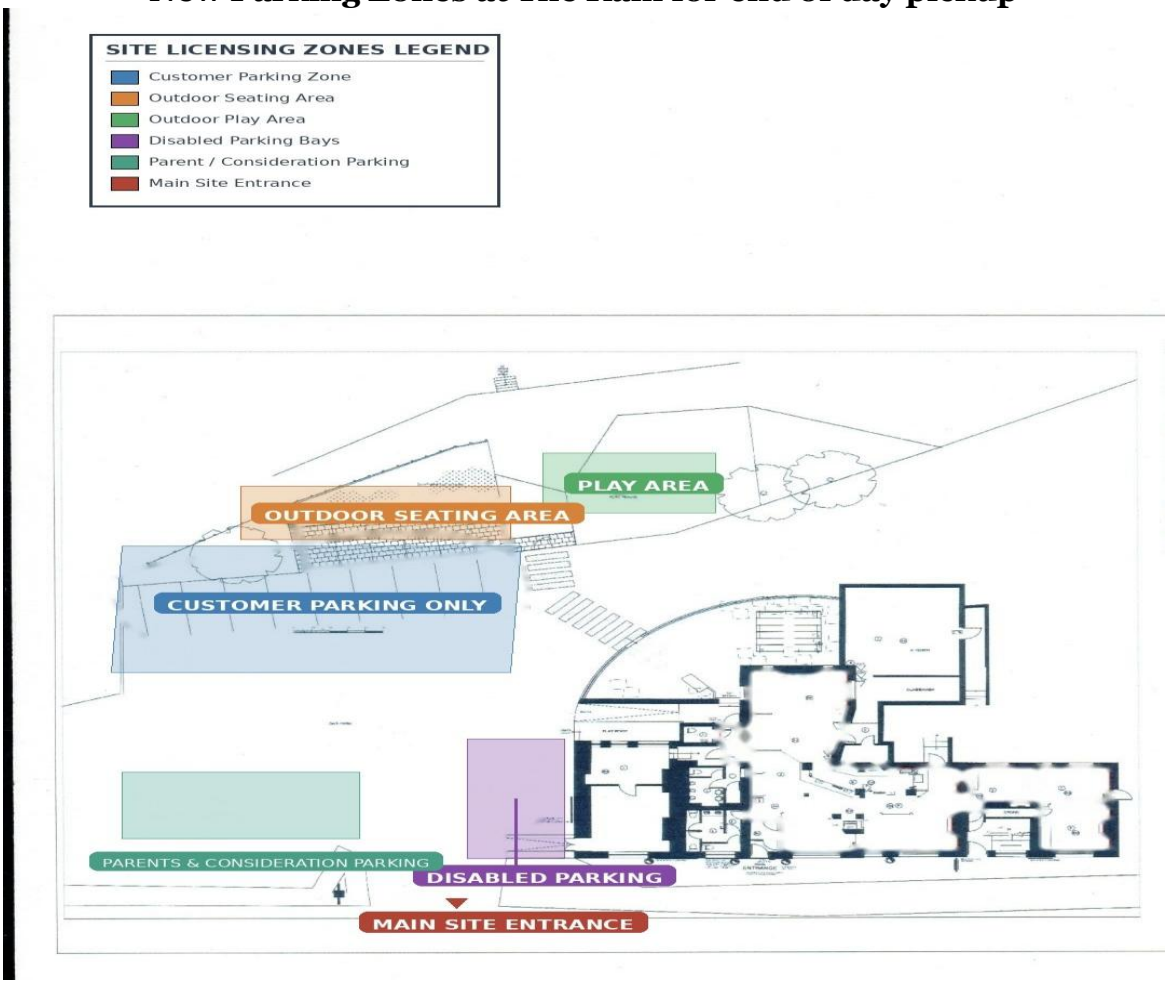
We're proud to be supporting **The Burnley Together Christmas Appeal** once again this year.



You can drop off gifts outside the old building every day from Monday 2nd November. Every gift donated helps bring joy and support to families this Christmas.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

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.