# 'Learn, Pray, Care & Play'

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

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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

School News No.0450

#### **Dear Parents/Guardians:**

Thankyou to our EYFS parents for their patience this week as waited for the wall to be mended. We should be able to reopen the path on Monday morning but we will check it upon arrival and I will send out a text to confirm this. On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm, we are holding our first **CHSA (Church Home School Association)** meeting. This is our school PTA and everyone is welcome to come and help us plan exciting opportunities and events to raise money for our children.

Stay safe and well.

#### Autumn Term Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September KS2 Intrahouse Athletics Week

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Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

BSSP Rugby event (am) BSSP Y2 Fun Run 4pm at Towneley

#### Wednesday 24th September

Y5 Welly Wednesday 9:15am Church Service with Rev Din Parents are welcome to attend EYFS Yogi lesson BSSP Healthy Heads Y6

Tag Rugby after school starts tonight 4:30-6pm Fun Church with Amanda

#### Thursday 25th September

MacMillan Coffee morning run by the School Council for families and the community. Pupil conferences and targets come home for Y2-Y6 Y1 Yogi lesson

#### Friday 26th September

Y4 Family Fun Friday 4:30-6:30pm Media Church with Amanda

#### Prayer of the week

Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

#### Makaton Sign of the Week Avocado



https://youtu.be/HoE6VjUqEAk

The school twitter account is @ClivigerSchool

Dates: School closes for half term on Friday 24th October and reopens on Monday 3rd November 2025.

Thanks for your continued support.

Naomi R. Healey

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Mrs N. R. Healey Headteacher

# AUTUMN TERM Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September

6pm CHSA meeting in Y3.
Everyone welcome to attend to plan the year ahead.

## Tuesday 30th September

BSSP Active 60 event (am) BSSP Animal Olympics event 4pm

## Wednesday 1st October

Y4 Welly Wednesday
9:15am Harvest Service in church with Lisa
Fenton. Everyone welcome to attend, the choir
will be singing and Worship Club will be
leading the prayers.
EYFS Yogi lesson
BSSP Healthy Heads Y6

#### Thursday 2nd October

Y1 Yogi lesson

# Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

2:30pm Y1 Family Fun Friday

#### Monday 6th October

Y5/6 Period Coach lessons Governor Committees

#### Tuesday 7th October

Y1 and Y6 Joint Writing Day BSSP Y5/6 Cross Country at Towneley

#### Wednesday 8th October

Y3 Welly Wednesday BSSP Y3/4 Tag Rugby (am) EYFS Yogi lesson BSSP Healthy Heads Y6

## Thursday 9th October

Y6 activity day at Towneley and sleepover Y1 Yogi lesson

#### Friday 10th October

Glow Dodgeball Day Wear sporting kits and anything that glows! The Lord's Prayer Day

## Monday 13th October

TT Rockstars and Number Bonds Week

#### Tuesday 14th October

Flu Jabs (am) BSSP Event at Unity 4pm

#### Safeguarding and contacting school

I have been appointed to the Chapter at Blackburn Cathedral. This initially means that I can be off site for a day during the week whilst I work at the Cathedral.

I want parents to know this and to know that you must still phone the office if you wish to speak to a senior member of staff or a designated safeguarding lead.

In school, we have 5 designated safeguarding leads. We are all trained to the same standard and you can talk to anyone of us. Please do not leave issues because I am not on site. I do get told and will know the same day through our recording and reporting system. I am supporting the staff at school even when I am not on site.

Here are the staff to contact if it is not a classroom issue.

Mr Klee – Deputy Headteacher and DSL Mrs Pickup – SENDCo and DSL Miss Moran – KS2 Leader and DSL Mrs Johnston – KS1 Leader and DSL

All emails and phone calls should go to the school office and they will get the most appropriate person to contact you.

# **Attendance Figures**

R - 99.3%

Y1 - 93.7%

 $Y_2 - 98.7\%$ 

Y3 - 96.5%

Y4 -100%

 $Y_5 - 98.7\%$ 

Y6 - 99.4%

Overall school attendance was 98%. Well done to the Y4 class who had the highest attendance last week

# **Cliviger Conker Championships**



Get ready for our annual 'Cliviger Conker Championships' which will be taking place after half term.

They are already falling for the trees so make sure you are on the lookout for the best one!!

#### Harvest

We will 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 service and join us on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 9:15am with Lisa Fenton from Blackburn Board of Education.

# **MacMillan Coffee Morning**



School Council will be hosting their first event on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 9am - 10am in Church House. We hope you will be able to join us for a cake and coffee to raise money for this very worthy cause.

#### Do you need a dentist?



My Dentist 361 Padiham Rd, Burnley BB12 6SX Burnley, Padiham Road

They are currently taking on children as new patients.

01282-456128

#### **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 2025 by our current Y6.

St Christopher's - Tuesday 30th September 6-8pm Unity - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 5:30pm - 7:30pm Blessed Trinity - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October 6-8pm

# Y6 Children Information for High School New Reception Intake September 2026 APPLYING FOR SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

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 2025.** 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.

#### **Transport and Admissions Newsletter**

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
(01524) 581148
SOUTH AREA
Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley
(01772) 532109
EAST AREA
Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale
(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 <u>plan how your child will get to school</u> if space on the bus is not available.

Please call 0300-123-6738 or visit <u>School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council</u> 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.