

Our Newsletter



17th January 2025

Academy Process

Last year we went out to consultation to all stakeholders about converting to an academy trust. This has been quite a lengthy process and at the end of December we were informed our Academy order from the DFE was accepted. We have recently spoken to Peter Duffy, CEO of the trust and it is looking like our conversion date to enter the trust will be on the 1st of May. There are a number of processes to go through between now and then but this will be completed in the background and will not effect the learning of the children at school.

As a school we are looking forward to joining the Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi Academy Trust (MECMAT) and have already started to build up a good relationship with the other schools and are planning cluster events. Some of these are linked to the Pope's Pilgrims of Hope and the Diocese' centenary year.

Part of the conversion will mean that our school number will change and to do this we will close at the end of the day on the 30th April and re-open the following day on the 1st May with a new school number. Some parents have informed me that our GIAS government page states that we are to close. We are not closing school, we are just changing our number

Please read the attached letter from Peter Duffy.



Jesus' Baptism

We hear about how John the Baptist was baptising people with water. John says he is not good enough to untie the strap of Jesus' sandals. All of us are important in our own special way, and we are all important enough to serve Jesus. Jesus welcomes us all and sees that we all have special gifts and talents to share.

The Holy Spirit can help to make us brave and to bring us joy. Just as we can tell that a tree is good because of the fruit that grows on it, we can tell if the Holy Spirit is working in us by the way that we act and how we treat other people.

We are all God's children no matter where in the world we live, no matter where we come from or what we look like, whether we are rich or poor. We are all members of the same global family. And so we try to be loving, kind, generous and bring peace to all people. This term we are concentrating on our value of care and compassion and we see this in our children each day.

God of all, as we gather at your table, we give thanks for your love. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and help us to show your love to others in all that we do. Amen.

Upcoming Events

January

20th January- After school activities start
24th January- Heron class mass @ 10am
Yr 5/6 indoor athletics competition
28th January- U11 netball match @ 4pm YMCA
31st January- Owl class mass @ 10am

February

6th February- Yr 3/4 Table Tennis @ 4pm GCA
PTA disco & AGM
14th February – Reports out to parents (interim)
Wren class mass @ 10am
School closes for half term
24th February- INSET (school closed for children)
25th February- School re-opens
27th February- Yr 5/6 Boys handball @ 4pm GCA
28th February- Heron class mass @ 10am

PTA Events

6th February- PTA Disco & AGM
7th March- Non-uniform Day in exchange for Mother's Day gifts
21st March- Non-uniform Day in exchange for Easter eggs
28th March- Mother's Day wrapping
28th March- Easter Bingo

Please support these family friendly events

Blue Badge Awards (Care & Compassion):

Wren – Alfie R

Robin – Ruby D

Owl – Nelly C

Heron – Oscar P

Rising Star Awards (Reading and Phonics):

Wren – Alexander R

Robin – Malachi W

Owl – Art S

Heron – Monty R

Marvellous Writer:

Wren – Orlaith T

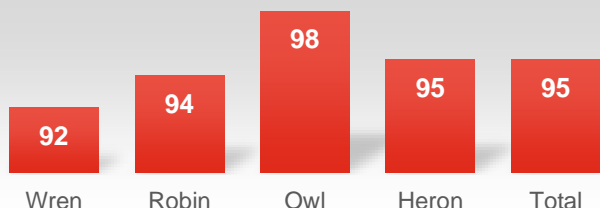
Robin – Jesse J

Owl – Sonny M

Heron – Blossom B

Weekly attendance percentages

■ Classes



Admissions

Just a reminder for those children who have a 4th birthday between 1st September 2024 and 31st August 2025 that admissions are now open for a primary place. Please use the link below

For those who are in Year 6, secondary places are also open.

[Lancashire Admissions](#)