



St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

"Made in the Image of God"



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Friday 5th December 2025



We are now in the beautiful season of Advent, a very special time in the Church's year when we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. Advent is a time of hope, waiting and joyful expectation. It invites us to slow down, reflect, and focus on the light of Christ as we journey together towards His birth.

In school, the children are busy continuing to learn their key skills and knowledge across the curriculum, while also preparing for their Advent reflections and Christmas performances. It is always wonderful to see their enthusiasm, creativity and reverence during this time.

As I always say, every minute in our school is vital for children and their learning. With this in mind, lessons will continue as normally as possible throughout the coming weeks so that our children receive the very best right up until we break up for the Christmas holidays on Friday 18th December at 1.30pm.

I would like to thank all of the children, families, staff, and governors for their support and feedback during our recent Ofsted inspection. The children were an absolute credit to the school, and I was incredibly proud of them throughout the process. We expect the final report to be published in January and will share it with you as soon as it is available.

Thank you, as always, for your support during this special season.

Mr Kay

When should my child return to school?



Chicken Pox When all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis None*	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever None*	Hand, foot & mouth None*	Impetigo When lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies After first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek None*	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
	Flu Until recovered	Head Lice None*	Threadworms None*	Tonsillitis None*	



This information is based on the Public Health Agency guide - full copy here

*No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed.



Attendance over the last two weeks

A reminder to all parents and carers that holidays during term time will not be authorised. The Local Authority may issue a fine for 5 or more days of unauthorised absence.

Our attendance has dipped recently, and while we fully understand that illness does occur, we also want to continue promoting resilience and good habits when children are well enough to be in school. A reminder that school begins promptly at 8.40am. To support a calm and punctual start, we kindly ask that children arrive from 8.30am so they are ready to begin their day.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	91%	92%	83%	86%	96%	93%	96%
Punctuality	4 lates	3 lates	5 lates	10 lates	10 lates	18 lates	2 lates

Sports News

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 football team who finished second in their football league this season! A huge well done to the Year 6s who all participated in the Preston Indoor Athletics competition at the University of Lancashire. We were the only school to bring the whole Year 6 class and have everyone participate.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday 10th December	3:15pm-5pm	Christmas Fair
Monday 15th December	2pm	KS2 Christmas Carol Concert in the school hall
Tuesday 16th December	2pm	KS1 Nativity
Wednesday 17th December	9am Christmas Jumper Day	Nursery/Reception Christmas Extravaganza Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18th December	Own Clothes Day	Christmas Party Afternoon
Friday 19th December	1.30pm	School Closes for end of the Autumn term.

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ADMISSIONS
PRIMARY**

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School and Academy places September 2026

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2025 and 31 August 2026.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

CLOSING DATE
15 January 2026

School transport



If travel costs is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



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