



## WEEKLY INFORMATION SHEET – 28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

	STAR AWARD WINNERS
Reception	Lottie
Year 1	Robson
Year 2	Max
Year 3	Amelia
Year 4	Tom
Year 5	Charlie
Year 6	Benji

CLASS	% ATT	LATES
REC	93.89	1
YEAR 1	99.26	1
YEAR 2	95.26	0
YEAR 3	97.14	4
YEAR 4	94.40	10
YEAR 5	94.00	0
YEAR 6	94.67	1

HOUSE WINNERS
WINDERMERE

### HEAD TEACHER'S THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

*"God has more in store for you than you can even imagine"*



Welcome to the last newsletter of November! We look forward to celebrating Advent next week, starting with our traditional Jesse Tree assembly on Monday morning. This is a lovely service where all of our school come together to celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ.

We look forward to welcoming parents/carers and family members to church for the Christingle Service on Wednesday. KS1 parents/carers please come to school at 2pm to escort your child to church. Please collect from the outside classroom doors and don't forget to take their Christingle oranges with you!

KS2 children will go over with their class teachers and will be dismissed after the service from school as normal. Some of the church congregation will also be joining us and we know what a lovely service it will be. We are hoping to start at 2.15pm, and it's being led by our wonderful Year 3 class. Please return the donation boxes/envelopes in support of 'The Children's Society' on Wednesday.

Back to this week, big well done to our School Football Team who completed their successful run of games by being crowned runners up. Mr Townsend was incredibly complimentary on our team's effort and enthusiasm and only just missed out on top spot! I had the pleasure of taking four Year 6 students to Bolton Arena for a Fencing Festival.



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They were brilliant at learning the new skills required and showed fantastic determination. Well done Anthony, George, Kensi and Lilly C and thanks to the parents for helping with transport.

This week the children have been completing Christmas Cards for our friends at 'Dancing with Dementia.' We know what a difference these cards make to everyone who receives them so thank you to all the children for their efforts.

Finally, it's lovely listening to our wonderful choir who are rehearsing for their Carol Concert at Tesco and Farnworth Care Home, followed by Coffee Carols and Cakes in the afternoon of 12<sup>th</sup> December! We would love to see you at school from 2pm. More information to follow next week.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Puckey  
Head Teacher

## FUNDRAISING

Our Year 4 student, Benjamin, is raising money through **GoFundMe** for the charity **MIND** in aid of men's mental health. To do this, he has to do 100 push ups a day through the month of November. So far, he has raised £355 and is currently 39<sup>th</sup> out of a total of 5114 people!

If you would like to support Benjamin in raising money for MIND, please visit <https://gofund.me/24b491f44>



## CHRISTINGLE

Our Christingle Service will take place on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**. The service will commence at **2:15pm** in St Stephen's Church. Parents of children in Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) are welcome to collect their child from school at 2:00pm and escort their child to church. The children will enjoy the service sitting with their parents and grandparents or carers. These children will leave church with their parents and do not need to return to school. If you are not able to join us, your child will sit with their St Stephen's family and return to school to be dismissed in the usual way. Key Stage 2 children will take part in the Christingle Service and be dismissed from school as normal.

**We will be making our Christingles in school. Please can your child bring in an orange to assist with this on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December and we will do the rest at school.** Please can you return the filled Christingle envelopes to school before our Christingle service. Thank you for your support.

Take a look at our Website  
[www.ststephenskearsley.co.uk](http://www.ststephenskearsley.co.uk)



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### SELECTION BOXES

As usual at this time of year, we will be holding our annual Selection Box Raffle in the lead up to Christmas. For the benefit of parents new to the school, every year we ask you to donate selection boxes to school for a Raffle. The children can purchase raffle tickets each morning from their Class Teacher for **10p** a ticket. All the tickets are put into a raffle which is drawn during our Celebration Assembly at the end of each week up to Christmas.

The first draw will take place on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December**. The proceeds of the Raffle go towards the cost of the Christmas parties and other Christmas activities. The children love this event and usually we have enough selection boxes for a winner in each class every time we draw the tickets. Please send your selection box donations to the School Office at any time. The tickets will be on sale now.

### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY / SANTA DASH

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** will be Christmas Jumper Day. Please feel free to dress your child in a festive Christmas jumper. We will also be taking part in a Santa Dash on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**. For a donation of **£1** towards School Fund, the children may wear a Santa hat or outfit while running around our Daily Mile and embrace the holiday spirit.

### RECEPTION NATIVITY

The Reception Nativity will take place on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** at **9:15am**. Parents, friends and relatives are very welcome to come along to watch the children present their version of the Christmas story and stay for coffee and Christmas treats. Please note the taking of photographs and videos is not permitted. Please ensure the Reception children are in school for **8:40am** to allow enough time for the staff to get all the children ready in their costumes. Thank you for your support.



### CHOIR VISIT TO TESCO

Members of our lovely choir will visit Tesco in Farnworth on the morning of **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** to sing a selection of Christmas songs and carols to the community. We are sure they will do us proud and provide a bit of festive cheer for busy shoppers. Parents/Carers of our students in the Choir will have received a letter. Please go to **Trips** on **MCAS** to provide consent for your child to attend.

### CHURCH SERVICE - FAREWELL TO MR PUCKEY

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** at **2:30pm** we will be going over to Church for a special, farewell service for Mr Puckey. Mr Puckey's last day will be Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Parents/Carers, family members and friends are all welcome to join the service to say a final farewell.



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## **NEXT WEEK - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	KS2 Dodgeball Club 3:15pm - 4:15pm
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	Year 5/6 Football Club 3:15pm - 4:15pm
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	Christingle Service - Church 2:15pm - 3:00pm  Dancing Feet 3:15pm - 4:15pm
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	KS1 Multi-Skills Club 3:15pm - 4:15pm
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	



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Wednesday 3rd December	Christingle in Church 2:15pm
Thursday 11th December	Reception Nativity 9:15am Christmas Jumper Day Santa Dash
Friday 12th December	FOSSS Coffee, Cake & Carols 2:00pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Church Service - Farewell to Mr Puckey 2:30pm
Thursday 18th December	Christmas Party Day Christmas Dinner Christmas Discos - KS1 3:30pm - 4:30pm - KS2 4:45pm - 5:45pm -
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service in Church 9:15am Break for Christmas Holidays (KS1 3:10pm, KS2 3:15pm)