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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

10th July 2026

Dear Parents and Families,

The Sunday Gospel



Listening to the right people and the right messages is important for us and for our children. In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear Jesus inviting us to listen to him and act upon his words. Ask your child if they know someone who is a really good listener. Who does your child like to listen to?

End of Year Reports

Yesterday your child brought home their end of year report. The children have worked hard all year. Please celebrate their successes with them. If you would like to speak to the class teacher about any aspects of the report, please telephone the school and a time will be arranged. The report envelopes also contain any information related to outcomes in National assessments for EYFS, phonics and Multiplication Check etc. Year 6 parents have received a letter about the National delay of Y6 SATs results.

Sports Day Presentation of Awards

Sports Day Presentation of Awards took place on Wednesday. Medals were awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!

Sawley were the overall winning house team.

Well done to everybody for a fantastic sports day.



Year 6 Leavers' Play

On Tuesday our Year 6 children performed their school play 'Let Loose' for their families and it was a great success. The children performed with confidence showing the results of their hard work and dedication during rehearsals. They remembered their lines, sang beautifully and supported one another throughout the whole performance. Well done year 6 - you should be proud of your efforts.



Summer Rounder's Event

Last night, our Year 5/6 rounders team played in the summer fun rounder's session at Ribblesdale High School. The boys played really well. We did not have as many players as the other teams, but despite that we came joint first with Reed St Johns. Well done boys, we are very proud of you.





Rock Steady

What an incredible way to wrap things up! That was our final Rocksteady concert of the year on Wednesday, and the kids absolutely rocked the stage, we could not be prouder of their amazing performances and hard work.

Spots fill up fast, so please remember to sign your child up for next year so they can keep the good vibrations going!





Music Concert

A huge well done to Arthur, Nancy, Eleanor, Rupert, Harper and Joseph, who have been working hard all year with Mr Bird, our music teacher from Lancashire Music Hub. Today, they proudly performed in front of the whole school assembly, showcasing everything they have learned throughout the year. It was wonderful to see their confidence, enthusiasm and musical talents shine through. We would like to thank Mr Bird for his hard work and support throughout the year.

If any parents are interested in their child starting music lessons next year, please follow the link below for more information and to register.

[Registration - Cultural Services: Lancashire Music Service](#)



Book bags and Rucksacks - September

Further to previous communication, we are keen to reduce both the number and size of bags that children bring into school. From September, children should:

- Bring their PE kit to school in a named PE bag and leave it in school. This can remain in school for a half term and then be taken home for washing.
- Use a green school book bag (available from uniform suppliers) to carry reading books, letters and homework.

We have systems in place to support this:

- Lunch bags should be placed on the lunch trolleys.
- Reusable water bottles should be taken directly to classrooms.

If a child needs to bring a rucksack, this must be as small as possible. Corridor space is limited, and large bags frequently fall from pegs, creating a potential trip hazard.

Thank you for your support in helping us to keep our school environment safe and well organised.

Work Experience Students

This week, we were delighted to welcome a Year 12 work experience student to our school from Clitheroe Royal Grammar School. Throughout the week, Juliette demonstrated enthusiasm, kindness, and a fantastic willingness to get involved in all aspects of school life, supporting both staff and pupils with confidence and care.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to her, for all her hard work and positive attitude during her time with us, and we wish her every success in the future.

Pre-ordering School Meals



A gentle reminder to all parents and carers that school lunches should be pre-booked through ParentPay. Please ensure your child's meal choices are selected in advance so that our catering team can accurately prepare lunches each day, and your child receives a meal of their choice, this also prevents food wastage. Thank you for your co-operation.

National Survey - The Big Future



Dame Rachel de Souza from The Children's Commissioner's office is asking for children to take part in a national survey 'The Big Future'.

<http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>.

Children can access the link above, to give their experiences, views and aspirations about what it is like to be a child in today's world. The survey will ask children about the changes they want to see in their communities, their biggest concerns, and their hopes for the future. More than anything, they would like to know what children think a good childhood should look like now and in the future.

Further details can also be found on this website: [The Big Future | Children's Commissioner for England](#)

'Our Little Chefs Kitchen'

TESCO
Community Grants



The Tesco Blue Token Scheme is now running until the end of July, please remember to pick up your blue tokens while shopping in Tesco's Clitheroe. Thank you for your support.

PE Days



Year Group	PE Days
EYFS	Tuesday & Friday
Year 1 & 2	Monday & Tuesday
Year 3 & 4	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 4 & 5	Tuesday & Friday
Year 6	Monday & Tuesday

Clubs and Afterschool Activities



Activity	Year Group/s	Teacher	Date/Times
Make it Mondays (Craft)	All	Progressive Sports	Monday 3.30 - 4.30 pm Last club date 13/07/2026
Burnley Football Club	5 & 6	Burnley Football Club	Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm Last club date 14/07/2026
Tennis Club	All Years	Tennis Coach	Wednesday 8.00 - 8.45 am Now finished for this term
Create Club	All Years	Mrs Troughton	Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm Now finished for this term
Prayer Club	All Years	Mrs Whyman	Thursday 8.15 - 8.45 am Last club date 16/07/2026
Themed Friday's	All Years	Progressive Sports	Friday 3.30 - 4.30 pm Last club date 10/07/2026

Progressive Sports are booked through progressive sports: [Enrolmy | Progressive Sports South Lancashire](#)

Create Club is booked directly with Mrs Troughton:
portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/10363

BFC and Tennis Club are booked through Parent Pay. Other clubs run by school staff do not require booking.



Lots of birthday's to celebrate this week. Happy birthday to Theodora in EYFS, Blake in Year 1, Freya and Lily in Year 2, Sid in Year 5 and Mia, Lula and Elsie-May in Year 6 who will all celebrate a birthday this week.

Celebration Assembly



EYFS	Charlotte, Toby and Thea
Yr 1 & 2	Noah, Freya, Harper, Zane, Isaac and Rupert
Yr 3 & 4	Ada, Igor, Rory, Betsy and India
Yr 4 & 5	Darcey, Frank, Charlie D, Jack, Joseph and Orla
Yr 6	Edie, Isabella, Jacob, Una and Phoebe

Top Table Winners



EYFS	Callie
Yr 1	William
Yr 2	Rupert
Yr 3	Hollie
Yr 4	Rory P
Yr 5	Hugo
Yr 6	Harry C

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 13 th July	10.00 am - Y6 Whole School Leaver's Mass ~ Parents' welcome
Thursday 16 th July	9.00 am ~ Young Writer & Young Artist's Awards Assembly - Rotary Club
Friday 17 th July	1.30 pm ~ Early school closure

Specific Diary Dates for Year 6

Date	Event
Monday 13 th July	10.00 am - Leaver's Mass ~ Parents' welcome
Wednesday 15 th July	Leavers' Lunch in school
Friday 17 th July	9.00 am - Leavers' Assembly
	1.30 pm ~ Early school closure

Take Care & God Bless.

Mrs Zoe Mabbott - Headteacher



ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S HOLIDAY LIST 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

Re-open on: Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Half Term Monday 27th October to Friday 31th October 2025 (inclusive)
Christmas Holiday Early closure on Friday 19th December 2025

(Number of openings: 73)

Spring Term 2025

Re-open on: Monday 5th January, 2026
Half Term Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026 (inclusive)
INSET DAY Monday 23rd February 2026
Easter Break Friday 3rd April to Friday 17th April 2026 (inclusive)

(Number of openings: 58)

Summer Term 2026

Re-open on: Monday 20th April 2026
Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2026
Half Term Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026 (inclusive)
Summer Holiday Early closure on Friday 17th July 2026

(Number of openings: 59)



ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S HOLIDAY LIST 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026

Re-open on: Thursday 3rd September 2026
INSET DAY Friday 23rd October 2026
Half Term Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2026 (inclusive)
Re-open on: Monday 2nd November 2026
Christmas Holiday Early closure on Friday 18th December 2026

(Number of openings: 71)

Spring Term 2027

Re-open on: Tuesday 5th January 2027
INSET DAY Friday 29th January 2027
Half Term Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2027 (inclusive)
INSET DAY Monday 22nd February 2027
Re-open on: Tuesday 23rd February 2027
Easter Break Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April 2027 (inclusive)

(Number of openings: 51)

Summer Term 2027

Re-open on: Monday 12th April 2027
Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2027
Half Term Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027 (inclusive)
Re-open on: Monday 7th June 2027
Summer Holiday Early closure on Wednesday 21st July 2027

(Number of openings: 67)

(Total number of openings: 189)

Notices from other Companies and Providers

Notices

We are often asked to share information about events with you, which we do to support our community, and so you can consider whether these are of interest to you. Please note, school is not recommending or validating these events, we are simply passing on the information.

Leaping Lizards Play Centre

Please use the link below to view the events which are taking place at Leaping Lizards Play Centre:

[Events - Leaping Lizards Play Centre](#)

Clitheroe Churches Holiday Fun is back!

This Summer, in the week beginning 17th August, come and take part in games, crafts and activities at the churches in Clitheroe each morning (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday), followed by a free lunch. These fun mornings are really suitable for children aged 0-11 with their parents or carers and are completely free of charge, but booking is essential.

Booking is now open at www.loveclitheroe.com/holidayfun



Join us for our Open Evening



Thursday 17th September 2026 6pm-8.30pm

Speeches will be held at 6.15pm, 7pm and 7.45pm

Please note: There will be NO vehicular access or parking during Open Evening at the school or in the surrounding lanes.

A free 'Park & Ride' system will operate from Clitheroe Auction Market commencing at 5.45pm.

Open Day

Wednesday 23rd September 2026 9.15am-2pm

Come to see the school in action

Please email/telephone to book a tour between 9.15am and 1.20pm (duration approximately 45 minutes)

Unfortunately we can only accommodate parents/carers who pre-book a tour

01200 441374

enquiries@bowland.atctrust.org.uk



Festival of Archaeology

Bring the kids and discover archaeology at Clitheroe Castle Museum this July. Booking for our children's activities is essential.



Junior Dig Pits

Thursday 23 July

10.30am, 12.30pm & 2pm

FREE

Junior Medieval Tile Pottery

Thursday 30 July

11am

£3 per child



Junior Neolithic Pottery

Thursday 30 July

1pm

£3 per child

A celebration of archaeology

Meet local archaeologists and experts who will be on hand to answer your questions and share their knowledge.

**HUB
DAY**

25 JULY

11am - 3pm

*Find out more
and secure
your space*



Open Daily, all kids go free

Find details of all our activities and events on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) or visit our website at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/clitheroe-castle-museum/> or via the QR code.

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MELLOR BROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE, BB2 7PR

*depending on age and ability



To book your **FREE** trial lesson please contact:

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littlevoices.org.uk/blackburn-darwen-ribble-valley



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- Burn off **energy**
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- Make new **friends**
- Learn new **skills** – and put on a show to **remember!**

EMAIL TO BOOK
£25
DEPOSIT



There's drama, singing, costumes, creativity – and a performance for family and friends on the final day.

4th - 7th AUGUST and 25th - 28th AUGUST 2026

AT MELLOR BROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE, BB2 7PR

9am - 3:30pm (Early drop off from 8:30am)

Book now - spaces fill fast

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Clitheroe Castle Museum

HOLIDAY FUN

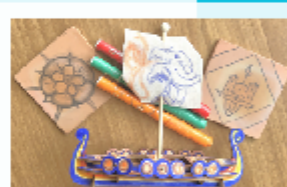
JULY

DAILY
DROP-IN

11am - 4pm

ARCHAEOLOGY

Enter our monthly hunt competition with a search round the museum for the miniature Roman Amphoras. Get creative and design your own medieval inspired terracotta tile. You could even build and decorate your own wooden Roman ship.



AUG

DAILY
DROP-IN

11am - 4pm

DINO-ROAR

Join the hunt for dinosaurs hiding in the museum galleries throughout August. Are you brave enough for a selfie with our resident iguanodon?

Get creative building and decorating your own wooden dinosaur model to enjoy. Enjoy our fun dino facts and themed activities in our creative space.



AUG

EVERY WEDS

11:30am - 12:30pm

CASTLE CRAFTS

Don't miss our weekly Wednesday history inspired craft sessions for your young makers. Create your own Anglo-Saxon brooch, medieval shield and more. Booking essential, £6 per child.



AUG

23RD

11am - 3:30pm

A DAY OF KNIGHT'S

Drop in and watch some thrilling demonstrations of sword fighting by the Silver School of Arms. Enjoy getting up close with some of the weapons and meet the experts during this FREE family friendly event.



Open Daily, all kids go free

Find details of all our activities and events on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) or visit our website at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/clitheroe-castle-museum/> or via the QR code.





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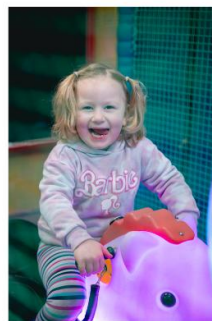


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INFORMATION**



SHOW STOPPERS

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**MONDAY 27TH JULY - FRIDAY 31ST JULY
9AM - 12PM AGES 4-13 YEARS**

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