



St Michael & St John's RC Primary School

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

4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Dear Parents and Families,



This Sunday's Gospel reminds us that Jesus came to establish a kingdom. With Jesus' blessing, his friends are sent on an urgent mission to all who will listen.

We can help God's kingdom of peace and healing to grow within and around us through the little things that we do and say. Ask your child to choose one way in which they can help the kingdom of God to grow.

Perhaps they could: be more helpful around the house; share more; support a child, family or project at school where help is needed.

### **Behaviour Policy Updates - Consultation**

As we are now a Trauma Informed School, we have reviewed our Behaviour Policy for September 2025 and attach a link to it for consultation. Changes are highlighted in yellow. Today is the last day for any views/comment, these should be emailed to [office@ssmj.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:office@ssmj.lancs.sch.uk) by close of Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

Many thanks.

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## Music Assembly



Three of our children in school have been studying music lessons with Mr Bird from Lancashire Music Hub. On Friday we had a whole school assembly and Joseph from Year 4 played the Piano to showcase his music skills and demonstrate what he had learnt in his music lessons with Mr Bird. He was amazing!

Mr Bird also showed the children the type of music they could play if they had guitar lessons with him.

Both Joseph and Mr Bird were inspirational.

If your child is interested in peripatetic music lessons, please see the link below for more details:

<https://www.lancashiremusichub.co.uk/site/parents/home/>



## Year 6 Borwick Residential Visit

The children return today from their 3 day residential trip to Borwick Hall. We hope the parents and relatives have enjoyed the photos on the Y6 School Story. The children have enjoyed canoeing, climbing wall, Leap of faith, an evening campfire and much more. They have developed resilience and team work and for some have pushed themselves outside of their comfort zones.

The Governing Board and I would like to thank Mrs Russell, Mr Currid and Miss Richardson for giving their time away from their own families to support our children and we thank all the staff involved in organising the trip and covering for colleagues.

The children have had lots of fun and have created lasting memories which they will take with them as they move on to their chosen High Schools.



## The Year 6 School-O-Vision Song Contest

Our Year 6 Leavers' Concert will be taking place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm. Due to fire regulations, tickets are initially limited to 3 per family and can be collected from the school office. **Anyone attending must have a ticket because school cannot exceed the allowed capacity.**

Our Y6 Leavers' Play is another end of year opportunity the school offers to enable the children to celebrate their talents and create memories for the future.

The children and staff have worked tirelessly on the preparations so far, creating props, sorting costumes and learning parts.

We politely request that if parents are aware that their child is not attending on the night, you let the school know as soon as possible so that parts can be re-allocated. It can cause added anxiety to pupils stepping in at the last minute. We appreciate illness cannot be helped, but there are a small number of children reporting that they have parental permission not to come back for the evening performance.

## **Year 10 Work Experience Students**

This week we have had 3 more Y10 students in school on work experience. Anderson from Blessed Trinity and Chloe and Ava-Rose from Bowland.

They have been excellent role models and a big help to staff and children in school.

Thank you for your efforts and commitment this week and well done.

## **Unwanted Sportswear Collection**

School have been contacted about helping out a very charitable cause. Below is a little information from the email we received. We are looking for donations of unwanted sportswear suitable for primary school aged children. It needs to be dropped off at the main office by Monday 14th July.

'My name is Peter Walshe and I am a retired teacher, but I am busy going into schools as part of the Ribble Rivers Trust Education Team.

In February 2025, I visited a primary school in Uganda called Kyabahinga Primary School in the far south-west of the country and they have nothing in the way of school stationary.

I have been sending the school parcels of pencils, pens, rulers, sharpeners and more recently sports equipment, footballs, bean bags and tennis balls. I have also sent boxes of chalk, scissors and mark books for the teachers.

The children at Kyabahinga Primary School have no sports clothing at all and I know that at the end of summer term, there is always a huge pile of lost, nameless clothing that has accumulated over the term and even over the year which will be either thrown out or given to charities that don't always want the clothes. The pupils at Kyabahinga Primary do not have any sports clothes, shorts, skirts, t-shirts, tops, or socks, so I would be very grateful if there could be an emphasis on sports clothing.'

## Year 6 Leavers' Lunch

Our Leavers' Lunch will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> July, please pre order your meal online, the cost of the lunch is the normal price of a school lunch at £2.90.



## ORDER FORM FOR Leavers Lunch

Please complete the form and return it to the school by the

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Don't complete if your child already stays for lunch or is entitled to free meals.

The cost is £      per child

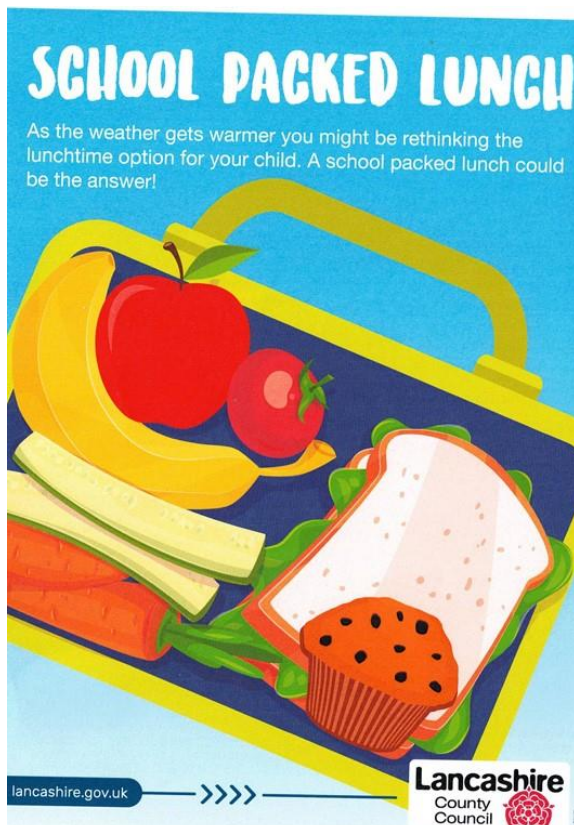
Name.....Class No.....

If your child has an allergy or special dietary requirement, please contact your school office to inform them of your child's requirements.

**We look forward to serving your child!**

If your child would like to join in the fun and they don't currently stay for school meals, please contact your school for payment details.

## School Lunches



Please can parents ensure you pre-order pupil lunches on ParentPay to allow for kitchen staff to plan and for pupils to receive a meal of their choice and to avoid food waste. Thank you.

With the summer months and the warmer weather your child may be looking for an alternative to a hot school lunch. Our catering team are offering a cold option of a 5 item packed lunch each day from now until October.

## Clubs and Afterschool Activities



Activity	Year Group/s	Teacher	Date/Times
Rounders	KS2	Miss Harkin or Mrs Canavan	Monday 3.30 - 4.30 pm
Burnley Football Club	5 & 6	Burnley Football Club	Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm



Happy birthday to Freya in Year 1 and Joseph in Year 4, who celebrate a birthday this week.

## Celebration Assembly

There was no celebration assembly this week.

## Top Table Winners



EYFS	Charlie
Yr 1 & 2	Thomas and Anthony
Yr 3	Orla
Yr 4	Kimberley
Yr 5	Oliver
Yr 6	Ava-Rose

## Diary Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS to Year 5 Art Workshop with Jo Troughton
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 only Art Workshop with Jo Troughton
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Blackpool Trip
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	11.00 am - 12.00 noon - New September Intake - Lunch Date
	6.00 pm - Leavers' Play
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30 am - 11.00 am - Year 6 'Moving On Up' Session
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	6.00 pm - 9.00 pm - Year 6 Leavers' Party organised by parents at The Old School Rooms
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00 am - Leavers' Mass
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Prayer Friends Tea Party
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers' Party Lunch - In school
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00 am - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Early School closure at 1.30 pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	School Re-opens to pupils

**Specific Diary Dates for Year 6 - 3 separate letters have been sent out today regarding Borwick, Blackpool and end of term Y6 events.**

Date	Event
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Blackpool Pleasure Beach
9 <sup>th</sup> July	6.00 pm - Leavers' Play
10 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30 am - 11.00 am 'Moving On Up' Session
14 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00 am - Leavers' Mass
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers' Party Lunch - In school
18 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00 am - Leavers' Assembly

Take Care & God Bless.

Mrs Zoe Mabbott - Headteacher

## 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.

## Supporting the move to secondary school



## Supportive Steps Workshop



**Are you a parent whose child is about to make the move to secondary school? This stage can trigger anxiety for some children. Our workshop will provide information and strategies to help manage this.**

In our two-hour workshop we will look at triggers of anxiety and emotional overwhelm and how to respond to and manage them, learning strategies for effective anxiety management and emotional regulation.

**When: June 6, July 4 and September 5 10am - 12 noon.**

**Where: The Toll House, Trinity Hub, Clitheroe.**

**How: Email [connect@frvf.co.uk](mailto:connect@frvf.co.uk) to book on.**



**Summer Crash Course.**  
**Course fee £33.00 for a 5-day block booking.**

### **Summer Crash Course is Back!**

Would your child benefit from attending a swimming course?

During the summer school break we will be running 5-day crash course swimming sessions 07:00-11:00am

These courses will consist of 5x 30-minute, morning lessons.

**Monday 28 - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

If your child is a non-swimmer, beginner, or just needs to gain a confidence boost and you would like to use this opportunity for them to learn/improve an essential life skill, please contact Ribblesdale pool reception on **01200 424825** to book your place.



Ribble Valley  
Borough Council  
[www.ribblevalley.gov.uk](http://www.ribblevalley.gov.uk)



St Augustine's RC High School present their school production of The Addams Family, which runs from Tuesday 8th until Friday 11th July. The performance starts at 7pm and is expected to finish around 9.30pm. To book your tickets, please visit <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sarchsmusicals>.

**THE ADDAMS FAMILY**

BOOK BY - MARSHALL BRICHMAN  
MUSIC BY - RICK ELICE

BASED ON CHARACTERS CREATED BY CHARLES ADAMS

8th-11th July 2025 7pm

Originally produced on Broadway by Stuart Olen, Roy Furman, Michael Leavitt, Five Cent Productions, Stephen Schuler, Decca Theatricals, Scott M. Delman, Stuart Ditsky, Terry Allen Kramer, Stephanie P. McDaniel, James L. Nederlander, Eva Price, Jam Theatricals/Mary LuRafie, Pittsburgh CLO/Gutterman-Swinsky, Vicki Twary/Eary Kaplan, The Weinstein Company/Clairence, LLC, Adam Zlotnick/Tribe Theatricals

By Special Arrangement with Elephant Eye Theatrical

"THE ADDAMS FAMILY School Edition" is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized performance materials are supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW), [www.theatricalrights.co.uk](http://www.theatricalrights.co.uk)



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can play, enjoy  
a campfire,  
woodland  
crafts, tools  
and much  
more!**



### Price

£35 per child per day  
Childcare vouchers accepted

### Age

Reception - Age 13

### Summer Holiday Club

21<sup>st</sup> July - 29<sup>th</sup> August  
(excluding 22<sup>nd</sup> August)

*For your Secondary aged children we have our 2-day experience; Into the Wild! 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> August - head to our website for booking & more info.*



### Time

9.30am - 3.30pm

### Location

Broughton Hall Estate



[hello@wildexplorers.org.uk](mailto:hello@wildexplorers.org.uk)



[www.wildexplorers.org.uk](http://www.wildexplorers.org.uk)



# Gymnastics!

## Beginners

Children 5-9 years old



### The goal of our school:

1. Physical Development
2. Skill Mastery
3. Safe and Supportive Environment
4. Discipline and Commitment

Director Yulia Talysheva is a master of choreography, a teacher at the University in Krivoy Rog, a ballerina at the theatre 'Kyiv Small Operetta' and the lead choreographer for sports acrobatics school in Kiev.



*Every child is*  
**TALENTED!**



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Book now!

JULY 2025

# ST MARY'S CENTRE

WHAT'S ON FOR THE MONTH AHEAD



**TESCO**

St Mary's  
Centre

## Vote for the St Mary's Centre Tesco Clitheroe July to September 2025



We are a community hub in Clitheroe supporting clubs, activities and stage performances for the local area.

We need help to modernise our building so we can continue to offer our spaces.



Please vote for us in Tesco Clitheroe every time you shop with your blue chip!

Every  
blue chip  
helps!



## The month ahead

### MONDAYS

St Mary's playgroup (Term time only)  
9.15am-11.15am

Tai Chi—10.30am-11.30am

Ladies Badminton—1.00pm - 2.30pm

The A Team 4.30 - 6.45pm (Term time & pre-booked only)

Beavers 6-7pm (Term time & pre-booked only)

Cubs/Scouts 7-8pm (Term time & pre-booked only)

### TUESDAYS

Aerobics - 11.00am - 12.00noon

Jujitsu—7.00pm-8.30pm

### WEDNESDAYS

Tai Chi—6.30pm-7.30pm

### THURSDAYS

Line Dancing—7.30pm - 8.30pm

### FRIDAYS

Line Dancing—10.00am - 12noon

### SATURDAYS

Puppy Training—10am-11am

Most classes are drop in for more information please visit our website

Available to hire for regular meetings or one-off events  
Prices from - £12/hour

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**THE MUNI  
THEATRE**  
Albert Road | Colne | BB8 0AE

Dear Valued Arts Supporter, The Muni Theatre has some great Primary School friendly shows coming up in the forthcoming season and we wanted you to be the first to know.

**YOU CHOOSE**, Weds 29th October - Based on the brilliant book by Pippa Goodhart and Nick Sharratt Nonsense Room Productions (Shark in the Park and Hairy Maclary Shows) bring you an interactive musical show for all the family. But in this show – **YOU CHOOSE what happens!**

**The Very Hungry Caterpillar**, Thurs 27th November - The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show has been dazzling audiences around the globe for over seven years, faithfully bringing to the stage Eric Carle's timeless classics. Created by Jonathan Rockefeller, this production of the critically acclaimed show features a menagerie of over **75 magical puppets**, including the star of the show – **The Very Hungry Caterpillar**.

**Ministry of Science Live. Science Saved the World**, Sun 27th July - Over the last few years Science has led the way in getting our lives back to normal. Now, the UK's favourite science team are back and more explosive than ever! Join our presenters as they dive deep into the world of science and look at how science shapes the modern world we live in with a few loud bangs along the way!

Why should the kids have all the fun!? **Cheesy Bingo Party**, Fri 18th July - The Cheesy Bingo Party brings you music, madness, sing-a-longs, ridiculous prizes, a few surprises and the craziest game of bingo you've ever played! The host has got the bingo numbers, the DJ has got the cheesiest party tunes, we're talking maximum cheese! Get your Dabbers out and put your dancing shoes on! **18+ Only**

And coming in January 2026 is **Aladdin** - *This magical pantomime features Great Songs, Dazzle Dance Routines, Stunning Scenery, Beautiful Costumes and Amazing Special Effects* **unforgettable experience for children and adults alike.**

Group bookings are now open and due to popular demand, we've added **2 relaxed performances** to the run. **Book early to avoid disappointment.** The full performance schedule is on the next page.

