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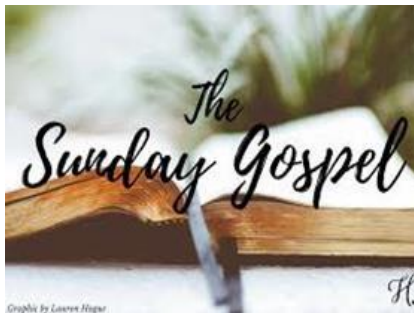
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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

6th June 2025

Dear Parents and Families,



This Sunday is Pentecost, 50 days after Easter.

In the Gospel this Sunday we hear about Jesus saying to his disciples, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will send you the Holy Spirit, the Helper, to be with you forever. This is the feast of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church - a gift which we now receive at Baptism,

Confirmation and at Mass.

The Holy Spirit is alive and active today.

Ask your child to choose one of the following qualities that they would like to ask the Holy Spirit for today: Courage, Joy, Peace, Patience, Gentleness, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness or Self-Control.

Ask them why they choose that quality?

Eid Mubarak

We wish our children, staff and community Eid Mubarak as they celebrate Eid-ul-Adha.

GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) Applications

I have spoken to the children in Year 5 today about this very important role in school. Children in the current Y5 class who would like to be part of the GIFT Team next year should write a letter addressed to Mrs Mabbott and Miss Massaro. The letter should say why they want to be part of the GIFT Team and what they will bring to the role. Letters should be handed to Mr Currid. The children have one week with the deadline for letters being next Friday 13th June.



Sports Day



Thank you to all the parents who came to support our hugely successful Sports Day.

The children were all fantastic and had an amazing time. The winning house for the day was Whalley and all the children in that house received a medal for displaying our school values throughout the morning.

Each year group also had individual winners for the running races, who also received a medal.

Well done to all those who took part in the day, including the staff, who made the day run as smoothly as it did.

Here are a few photographs of our medal winners.



Year 6 Hockey Team

Congratulations to the Year 6 hockey team who played fantastically well in the tournament on Wednesday this week. Thank you to Miss Hutchinson and Mrs Turner for taking them.



Year 6 Hoodies

You might have noticed that the Y6 children now have the privilege of wearing their hoodies to school. Thank you to Mrs Keighley who organised all of this for the children.

Father's Day Messages

Lancashire Telegraph

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Don't miss! Special souvenir supplement to celebrate Father's Day in the Lancashire Telegraph on Wednesday 11th June

Pick up a copy for Father's Day messages from local school children

The advertisement features a large image of a smiling man with a young girl on his shoulders. The text is colorful and festive. At the bottom, there are three small inset photos showing families: a father holding a child, a father hugging a child, and a father and child looking at a card.

All our Children have been busy writing their Father's Day messages which will appear in the Lancashire Evening Telegraph on **Wednesday 11th June**.

Don't forget to pick up your copy!

Y5 The Grand - Podcast link now available



As mentioned in the newsletters before half term, four of our Y5 pupils, Willow, Alexander, Tristan and Elsie-May have represented SSMJ over the last few weeks, attending a weekly event at The Grand, to create a Podcast about Ribble Valley Gateway Trust - specifically Art 4 All.

I am extremely happy to now be able to share with you the PodCast link:

<https://www.thegrandvenue.co.uk/projects/podcast-project/>

Well done we are very proud of you all.



Science & Maths Quiz

On Thursday 5th June, seven of our Year 6 pupils - Eliza, Benjamin, Nate, Jack, Scarlett, Emily and Michael C, went to St Augustine's High School, to compete in the Primary Science and Maths Challenge Cup. They competed in several rounds which involved solving difficult mathematical and science questions, some of them were very challenging indeed. One round involved balancing penguins! They were incredible as always and stormed their way to a win. They were a credit and represented the school really well. Well done Year 6 Science & Maths Champions!



Church Building Works

The scaffolding continues to be erected and access down the side of church and school has been restored for drop off and collection. We ask that parents supervise their children during this time.

Children are not playing in this area during the school day.

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.

Clubs and Afterschool Activities



| Activity | Year Group/s | Teacher | Date/Times |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Choir | KS2 | Mrs Russell | Tuesday - Lunchtime |
| Burnley Football Club | 5 & 6 | Burnley Football Club | Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm |
| Create Art Club | 1 - 6 | Ms Troughton | Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm |
| Sacramental, Reconciliation and Holy Communion | Selected Children | Miss Massaro | Thursday 3.30 - 4.30 pm |



Happy birthday to Theo in Year 3 and Matthew in Year 6, who celebrate a birthday this week.

Celebration Assembly



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| EYFS | Aleks and Cora |
| Yr 1 & 2 | Theo, India, Maksym and Freya |
| Yr 3 | Leo, Darcey, Paul and Rocco |
| Yr 4 | Charlie D, Hubert, William and Sadie |
| Yr 5 | Edgar, Dexter, Isabella and Michael |
| Yr 6 | Scarlett, Nate, Penelope and Annabel |

Top Table Winners



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| EYFS | Jessica |
| Yr 1 & 2 | Thomas and Arthur |
| Yr 3 | Alessandro |
| Yr 4 | Mason |
| Yr 5 | Mykyta |
| Yr 6 | Riley |

Diary Dates

| Date | Event |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Tuesday 10 th June | 9.00 am - 3.00 pm - Years 5 & 6 - Ribble Valley Cricket |
| Wednesday 11 th June | Burnley's Gotta Sing Event |
| Saturday 14 th June | First Communion - Letter to follow regarding format of the day |
| Monday 16 th June | 9.15 am - 11.00 am - New September Intake - EYFS Induction |
| Monday 23 rd June | Year 6 Transition Prayer |
| Tuesday 24 th June | 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm - New September Intake - EYFS Induction |
| Wednesday 25 th June | St Augustine's Year 6 Intake Day |
| Friday 27 th June | Tag Rugby Festival |
| | St Augustine's Year 6 Intake Evening |
| Wednesday 2 nd July | Year 6 Borwick Hall Trip Departs |
| Tuesday 8 th July | Year 6 Blackpool Trip |
| Wednesday 9 th July | 11.00 am - 12.00 noon - New September Intake - Lunch Date |
| Thursday 10 th July | 9.30 am - 11.00 am - Year 6 'Moving On Up' Session |
| Friday 11 th July | 6.00 pm - 9.00 pm - Year 6 Leavers Party - The Old School Rooms |
| Monday 14 th July | 10.00 am - Leavers' Mass |
| Friday 18 th July | 9.0 am - Year 6 Leaver's Assembly |

Specific Diary Dates for Year 6

| Date | Event |
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| 2 nd - 4 th July | Borwick Hall Residential |
| 8 th July | Blackpool Pleasure Beach |
| 9 th July | 6.00 pm - Leavers' Play |
| 10 th July | 9.30 am - 11.00 am 'Moving On Up' Session |
| 14 th July | 10.00 am - Leavers' Mass |
| 18 th 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 to book on.



Clitheroe Castle Museum

EVENTS



DAILY

MAY 2025

11am - 4pm

DRAGON'S DEN

Embark on a search for the dragons hiding in the museum galleries. Find them all and you might be the lucky winner of a fabulous bag of souvenirs from the gift shop.

DAILY

MAY 2025

11am - 4pm

MAKE SOMETHING *FIERY*

Unleash your creativity with a selection of dragon crafts to take home as a memento. From £1.50, while stocks last.



Coming up...

**28
JUNE**

11:30am - 3pm

GEOLOGY ROCKS!

Find out about the rocks and minerals we see and use everyday in this fabulous free drop-in event. Meet the experts and challenge them to identify your rock.

Open Daily, all kids go free

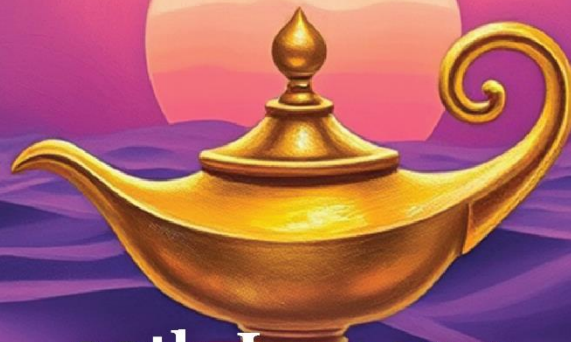
Find details of all our activities and events on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) or visit our website at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/clitheroe-castle-museum/> or via the QR code.



Ella Shaw's
ACADEMY OF ARTS
Production of

the grand

Disney
Aladdin
JR. ©Disney



20th June 7pm
21st June 1:30pm & 7:30pm

Adult tickets £15 / Child tickets £10

Music by **Alan Menken** *Lyrics by* **Howard Ashman & Tim Rice** *Book Adapted & Additional Lyrics by* **Jim Luigs** *Music Adapted & Arranged by* **Bryan Louiselle**

Based on the Screenplay by Ron Clements and John Musker Ted Elliott and Terry Rossio | This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International | All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk

Ella Shaw Productions

An exciting stage adaptation of the legendary tale of the lovable thief with the heart of gold!



Tickets available at www.thegrandvenue.co.uk
Reception opening hours: **Monday & Tuesday 5pm-8pm** (During term time)
Send enquiries to hello@thegrandvenue.co.uk or call **01200 421599**

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JUNE 2025

ST MARY'S CENTRE

WHAT'S ON FOR THE MONTH AHEAD

FROM THE TEAM THAT
BROUGHT YOU
CALENDAR GIRLS '23
& MADE IN DAGENHAM '24

VALLEY ALOUD SHOW CHOIR
FOR GOOD
& VALLEY ACTORS

19 JULY 2025 7.30PM
ST. MARY'S CENTRE, CLITHEROE

*A story of friendship and fun told through beloved songs
from the Musical Theatre and Pop genres including...*

*Wicked, Mary Poppins, Rent, Come From Away, The Lion King,
Miss Saigon, Dear Evan Hansen, The Greatest Showman, The
Sound of Music, Carousel, Adele, Coldplay, Leonard Cohen,
Backstreet Boys, Katy Perry, Michael Jackson and Eurovision!*

- Visit www.stagestubs.com
- Type For Good in the search bar
- Click on For Good - presented by Valley Aloud Show Choir and Valley Actors
- Book tickets

TICKETS £12

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
- Children's Drama Classes - 4.30 - 7.30pm

FRIDAYS

- Line Dancing—10.00am - 12noon

SATURDAYS

- Children's Drama class— 10.30-12noon
- 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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SAMLESBURY PLAY SCHEME

Back again for 2025
In its 25th year!

Mon 28th July to Fri 1st Aug

Supervised **FREE** bus
service from locations
across East Lancashire

Want more? Check out
Leyland Playscheme

Infants
ages 5-7

Our youngest Playschemers enjoy the smallest groups with their own dedicated leaders and onsite activities such as *Trampolines, Bouncy Castles, Sports, Messy Play and Arts & Crafts* and trips offsite like *Soft Play, Outdoor Adventures and Nature experience*



Come and join the big leagues in MML and participate in activities such as Onsite: *Laser Tag, Trampolines, Pottery, Music, Dancing, CaveBus & The Big Show* and trips like: *Swimming, Bowling and Party Barge*



Major League
ages 8-11

Teenz
ages 12-14

Join the older end of Playscheme with our Teenz division. Join in the bigger trips and enjoy your own activities with that bit more freedom such as Onsite: *Teenz Laser Tag, Bungee Trampolines, Silent Disco* and trips like: *Swimming, Bowling, Teenz Cinema and Roller Skating*



Only £85 for the week
5 DAYS OF ACTION PACKED FUN

Book online for both schemes @ playscheme.org