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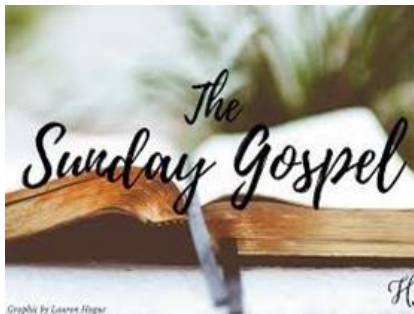
*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

23rd May 2025

Dear Parents and Families,

As we approach the end of a short, but very busy half term, today we enjoyed our annual Sports Day. Thank you to the parents and relatives who came to support the children and to the children, who, as always were respectful, well-behaved and showed good sportsmanship.

During the first week back at school, Mr Currid will lead an assembly for the children where the winning house will be revealed and the children will be given their medals for the races.



This weekend, we hear Jesus talk about peace. The instructions given by Jesus at the 'Last Supper', which we hear about in this Sunday's Gospel, remind us that the peace Jesus gives is a special inner peace which comes from receiving the Holy Spirit into our lives

Pope Leo's first words to us all after he became Pope were 'peace be with all of you.'

Peace, like love, is a gift to share. Please talk to your child about how they can bring peace to others in this coming week?

May the Month of Mary



Thank you to Miss Massaro and the children who have attended the month of Mary club throughout May.



Year 6 Football Team

Congratulations to our Year 6 football team. On Monday this week we finished playing all our fixtures in the A league. The boys all played brilliantly and were a credit to their families and the school. Thank you to Mr Currid for taking them.



Hockey Sessions

Thank you to Mr Paul Naylor for kindly delivering a hockey session for Y5 and Y6 pupils. The children had never used real wooden hockey sticks before so this was a very new experience. He was very impressed by the skills he saw. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves learning all about the game and we appreciate Mr Naylor giving up his time.



Y3 and Y4 Visit Eureka

The Year 3 and 4 children had an exciting trip to Eureka on Tuesday. Great fun was had by all. Members of the public commented on the children's exemplary behaviour and lovely manners. Well done Year 3 & 4.



EYFS Children

After half term the children in EYFS should be dropped off and collected from the main playground. This is part of their transition to Year 1.

Y5 The Grand



As mentioned in the newsletter last week, 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. Last week I shared with you some positive feedback about the children and we congratulated them in assembly on Friday.

Well done we are very proud of you all. We will share the link to the Podcast when we receive it.



Resilient Minds Workshop

Thank you to the parents and relatives who attended the workshop on Wednesday, we hope you found it useful. Thank you to Becca Stansfield from Resilient Minds for delivering our weekly workshops to Y4 and Y6 and the parent workshop.

On Wednesday evening staff had a workshop led by Sarah to support their resilience and well-being.

On Thursday, we also welcomed Charlotte from Lancashire minds. She talked to the children about resilience and the 5 ways of well-being which are connect, be active, give time, keep learning and take notice. The children thought about activities that they could do to cover all the 5 ways of well-being.



Church Building Works

During half term the church roof is being repaired. Scaffolding is being erected at the side of school/church. This is quite a huge task and will take some time, possibly until September. For health and safety reasons, parents and older children who arrive unaccompanied will not be able to walk down the side of church so will need to access the playground via the car park gates. This areas will be fully sealed off. You will be able to access the office as normal. After half term, all children including EYFS should be dropped off at the playground gate and collected from here too. If you need to walk round from Lowergate you might need to allow a little extra time for your journey.



PTA Classlist App

A few parents have been unable to process payment for the recent PTA events. Please see the link below to download the Classlist app and register your child to make any future payments for organised events.

<https://classlist.page.link/m58MKMpyoHjSAjP48>

School Lunches

Please can parents be reminded to pre-order pupil lunches on ParentPay to allow for kitchen staff to plan and for pupils to receive a meal of their choice. 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 Mateusz in EYFS, Marcus and Charlie D in Year 4, Noah in Year 3 Jake and Kaylar in Year 5, who celebrate a birthday this week. Also happy birthday to Daniel in Year 3 and Michael M in Year 6 and Miss Mabbott who will celebrate a birthday over the half term holiday.

Celebration Assembly

We did not hold an assembly this week due to Sports Day taking place.

Top Table Winners



EYFS	Cora
Yr 1 & 2	Harper and Maksym
Yr 3	George
Yr 4	Marcus
Yr 5	Isabella
Yr 6	Chase

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 4 th June	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm - Years 5 & 6 - Hockey Event
Thursday 5 th June	5.30 pm - New September Intake - EYFS Induction
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
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

Have a lovely half term.

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.

Calling all young pianists....

PLAY THE
ORGAN
YEAR

Clitheroe Parish Church (St Mary's) would like to invite you to an open day on June 7th between 10.30am and 12.30pm to come and learn more and have a go on the organ!

This year is "Play the Organ Year" which is designed to get more people interested in the Church organ and the great sound it can produce. This is a free event where all are welcome to come and learn more and make some noise! There will be a mini recital, powerpoint and then the chance to

play something. Bring some piano music to see how it transcribes or play around with all the different stops the organ has to offer. We would love to see you!

For more information contact James Reece Robinson on
07807386750/lone2000@hotmail.co.uk

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

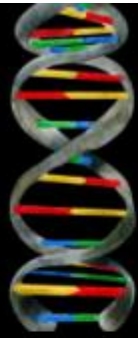
GEOLOGY ROCKS!

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

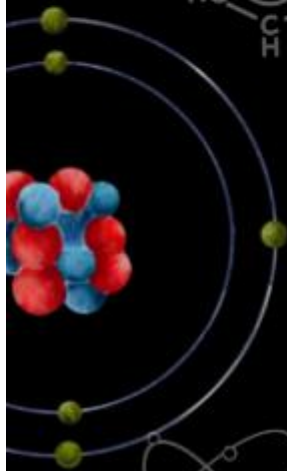
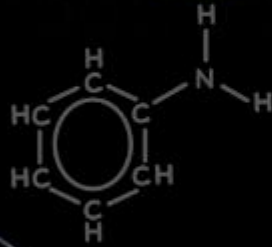
Find details of all our activities and events on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) or visit our website at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/clitheroe-castle-museum/> or via the QR code.





EYE- SPY

SCIENCE



CLITHEROE
FAMILY HUB &
THE ZONE

28

1-2:30PM

MAY

WEDS

BOOKING REQUIRED - 5-11 Years



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

the grand

MAY 2025

ST MARY'S CENTRE

WHAT'S ON FOR THE MONTH AHEAD

MAIN HALL

- Stage
- Stage Lighting
- Fully equipped audio system with "Loop"
- Below stage changing facilities
- 3m projector screen
- Free Wi-Fi
- Fully licensed bar.



DAYTIME: £20 PER HOUR EVENING: £40 PER HOUR



LOWER SPORTS HALL

- Sports hall with hard wood floor
- Badminton markings
- Perfect for Judo, indoor football and other sports, children's classes and exercise classes
- Free Wi-Fi

DAYTIME: £18 PER HOUR EVENING: £23 PER HOUR

MEETING ROOM

- Easy access for wheelchair or prams
- Free wifi and a screen projector



DAYTIME: £12 PER HOUR EVENING: £15 PER HOUR

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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

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



Wild Explorers

Where nature, fun and adventure collide!

A child-led, fun and nurturing holiday club set in beautiful woodland on the Broughton Estate.

We are an OFSTED registered outdoor holiday club where children can play, enjoy a campfire, woodland crafts, tools and much more!



Price

£35 per child per day
Childcare vouchers accepted

Age

Reception - Age 13

May Half Term

27th - 30th May

*Birthday parties also available year round
email us for more info*



Time

9.30am - 3.30pm

Location

Broughton Hall Estate



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