Nelson St Philip's C of E Primary School

We love to learn. We learn to love. With Christ as our Guide, we love and learn together.



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We hope our families enjoyed reading our recent Ofsted inspection report and are as proud as we are of our whole school community in achieving the 'Good' overall judgement, with Behaviour and Attitudes graded 'Outstanding'.

The inspectors recognised the immense strengths in school and how the staff have worked tirelessly to improve standards in teaching and learning to provide our children with the high-quality education they deserve.

As Ofsted point out, 'The school has high expectations for pupils' achievement and for their behaviour. Pupils live up to these expectations every day. They are polite and respectful to each other and staff. Through their interactions with their peers, pupils demonstrate kindness and gentleness. This creates a calm and purposeful atmosphere in which pupils can learn well.'

As a reward for the children's impeccable behaviour and attitudes to learning, the children are to enjoy a 'Snow White' pantomime in school next week - a treat so very well deserved!



Fieldwork at Walverden Park

Miss Peel said, "Year I and Year 2 enjoyed a fieldwork trip to Walverden Park. We explored human and physical features in our local environment and followed a map so we could find our way. We were lucky enough to squeeze in a quick visit to the park too. What a fantastic afternoon!"













Next Monday, the 13th of November, children can come to school wearing odd socks.

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

Odd Socks Day takes place on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week each year to help raise awareness of bullying.



<u>Children in Need - Friday 17th November</u>

Our School Council have decided they would like to raise money for Children in Need. On *Friday 17th November*; children can come to school in their pyjamas or are welcome to wear any Pudsey/Blush clothing/accessories if they prefer. Please ensure that your child wears sensible footwear (not slippers) and has a warm coat as they will still be playing out at break and lunchtimes. We are asking for a donation of £1.00 per pupil. Thank you for your support.





- Parents' evenings will take place <u>in school</u> on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st
 November. Appointments can be booked from Thursday 9th November at 10.00am via the
 school spider app (the login details were sent to you previously, if you need your password
 resetting, please e-mail this address). Parents will be allocated a 5 minute slot per
 child. NB Parents of pupils in Class Wycoller will be allocated a 10 minute slot.
- If you have difficulty in booking the appointment, please e-mail: bursar@st-philips.lancs.sch.uk and give your preferred date and times and we will manually book your appointment.

The deadline for booking your appointment is at 10.00am on Monday 20th November.

Our Christian Value Next Week:



Friendship



-Friendship is a relationship between people who like each other and enjoy each other's company.

The Bible has many sayings about friendship:

'A friend loves at all times.'

(Proverbs 17:17)
'If one falls down, a friend can lift
him up.'
(Ecclesiastes 4:10)





Collective Worship in School

Our Collective Worship theme the first week back will be 'Anti Bullying Week'. The Christian Value will be 'Friendship'.'

Please pass on any thoughts and ideas you may have about what you feel your child would benefit from knowing about this theme.



Class Attendance



Class Pendle	87.67%
Class Barley	96.90%
Class Marsden	92.00%
Class Towneley	93.33%
Class Wycoller	99.00%

Whole School Attendance

Whole School (Without Extended Leave)	93.38%
Extended Leave (4 sessions of lost learning across school)	0.29%
Whole School Attendance (With Extended Leave)	93.09%



Please read our Vision Statement below and pass on any thoughts and ideas you may have about it.

Our school vision influences every aspect of school life, is at the forefront of all our thoughts and prayers and is at the heart

of our environment. Thank you.

Our Vision Statement

We love to learn. We learn to love.

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we love and learn together.

'Gad is lave, and all who live in lave live in Gad, and Gad lives in them.' (I Jahn 4:16)

Living out our vision, we aim to:

Guide our children to prepare them for life; Respect themselves and one another; Aspire to achieve their highest potential; Care for the local and wider community; Every child is special in God's eyes.

GRACE

Guide Respect Aspire Care Each of us is special





Key Dates for the Autumn Term, 2023

Date and time	Event
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th November	Reception Right Start training in school
Monday 20 th & Tuesday 21st November, 3.30-5.30pm	Parents' Evenings
Tuesday 21st - Thursday 23 rd November	Year Stage 2 Right Start training in school

Emails, Texts, and the School Website

It is vital that you check and read **all** emails and texts sent from school so that you are kept up to date with important information. Please keep checking our school website too as you will find further information there, including a weekly newsletter.

Absences from school

It is essential that school is notified by telephone (01282 614463) before 8.55am on the first day of absence. If the school is not informed, then enquiries as to the child's whereabouts will be made. If possible, could parents make any medical appointments out of school hours so that your child's education is not disrupted. If, however you do need to take your child out of school, an appointment card will need to be filled in. These are available in the school office.

Please note: if your child has not arrived in school and ordered a school lunch before 9.30am, parents will need to bring in a packed lunch for their child(ren).



School Uniform Reminders:

Boys

Royal Blue sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)
Dark trousers
Plain black/grey socks
White polo/cotton shirt

<u> Girls</u>

Royal Blue sweatshirt/cardigan (preferably with school logo)
Dark skirt or trousers
Plain socks, tights or shalwar (black, grey or white)
White Polo/Cotton Shirt
In the summer girls may wear a pale blue checked dress

We expect all children to wear full school uniform every day. This includes plain black school shoes with a sensible heel, not trainers and no logos. If children have a problem with their usual school shoes, they must wear their black school pumps whilst in school. During winter months children are allowed to wear sensible plain black boots on the journey to/from school, but must change into school shoes upon arrival to their classroom.

- The children are expected to keep their shirts tucked in if they remove their jumpers and not to have their jumpers around their waist, as we want high standards from our pupils, including their uniform presentation.
- It is the School's Governors' Policy that all children do not wear scarves of any type, in our school or in our school grounds, in view of their age and in the interests of health and safety.
- Please ensure that all items of clothing are named then they can be returned to your child if the items become lost. Jewellery is not allowed in school. Pupils should not wear rings, bracelets, necklaces, or earrings in school. Inexpensive wristwatches are allowed.