

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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Rounders Reconnected

On Monday, Years 5 and 6 were lucky enough to have a visit from Gareth Walker from Literacy Kicks. Gareth is a sports journalist and has travelled the world interviewing and reporting on a wide variety of sporting events. The purpose of his visit was linked to Sports Rounders. Gareth informed the children all about the sport, from its origins to the present day and that it has local links to Burnley. He guided the children as they wrote a newspaper report all about the sport of rounders and the children became journalists! At the end of the visit, Gareth was extremely impressed with the children's writing and the children had thoroughly enjoyed his time in class.







YOU'RE A SUPERSTAR!

Superstars of the Week

Pendle - Saul Dafin

Barley - Raisa Cardos

Marsden - Aydin Malik

Towneley - Anas Ur Rehman

Wycoller - Subhan Chaudary

Our Christian Value Next Week:



Resilience

Never give up, keep going.

Never stop trusting in God even when things don't go your way.



Philippians 4:13

'I am able to do all things through Him who strengthens me.'



Collective Worship in School

Our Collective Worship theme next week is 'Shrove Tuesday'. The Christian Value will be 'Resilience'.

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

SHROVE TUESDAY



Class Attendance

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Class Pendle	98.97%
Class Barley	97.33%
Class Marsden	92.00%
Class Towneley	94.29%
Class Wycoller	96.00%

Whole School Attendance

Whole School (Without Extended Leave)	95.68%
Extended Leave (30 sessions of lost learning across school)	2.16%
Whole School Attendance (With Extended Leave)	93.52%





27th February 2025

Dear Parents,

On Thursday 6th March (next week), we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. Our Reading Ambassadors have decided that the children can come to school dressed as a character from a book or a poem. We do not want you to buy a costume, instead use what you have at home to put a costume together.

Here are some simple, free ideas:

Goldilocks and the Three Bears: **Goldilocks:** A lovely dress and some curly hair. **Three bears:** Wear brown clothes and create a bear mask using a paper plate or add a bear face using face paint.

Red Riding Hood: **Red:** Wearing red clothes and carrying a basket. Maybe make a 'hood/cape' out of some red fabric. **Wolf:** Dress in grey clothes and make a wolf mask or face paint.

Puss In Boots: Dress in cat colours, add face paint or a cat mask and of course a pair of boots - maybe even a hat!

Jack and the Beanstalk: Cut up some old clothes to rags to show Jack as a poor boy.

The Princess and the Pea/Sleeping Beauty: Any beautiful dress and maybe make a princess crown using a strip of card and some decorations.

Hansel & Gretel: Dress in normal clothes and maybe carry a small bag of stones.

The Three Billy Goats Gruff: **Goats:** Dress in goat colours and create a mask of a goat. **The troll:** Dress in old, ripped clothes and add a scary green troll mask or face paint.

Cinderella: Dress in rags as a slave girl or in a beautiful dress when she goes to the ball.

Poetry ideas: Jack and Jill (own clothes and bring a bucket), old Mother Hubbard (own clothes and an apron), Miss Polly had a dolly (own clothes and bring a doll), Little Miss Muffet (Own clothes and bring a spider), Little boy blue (Own clothes and a horn), Jack be Nimble (Own clothes and bring a candle).

If you have a little search on the internet, you will find lots more ideas.

Many Thanks - Mrs Swire & The Reading Ambassadors

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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*'God is love, and all who live in love live in God,
and God lives in them.'*
(1 John 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 Spring Term, 2025



Date and time	Event
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
Friday 28 th March	World Maths Day
Friday 4 th April 3.30pm	SCHOOL CLOSES
Tuesday 22 nd April 8.55am	SCHOOL OPENS

Please find below the menu for week commencing 24th February:

Weekly Menu: Week2a

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Main	Main	Main	Main
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Cheese Sandwich
Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich
Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Egg Sandwich
Egg Sandwich	Egg Sandwich	Egg Sandwich	Egg Sandwich	Pizza served with Chips and Beans
Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Herby Potatoes	Vegetarian Meatball Sub with Paprika Wedges	Quorn Sausage Toad-in-the-Hole with Roast Potatoes	Vegetarian Curry with Rice and Naan Bread	Battered Fish with Chips and Mushy Peas
Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch

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).*

Important Reminders

1. Footwear

- We have noticed several children in school wearing boots or trainers as part of their school uniform. In line with our School Uniform Policy, pupils **must** wear plain black shoes. Trainers may be worn on PE days only.
- 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.

2. End of the school day

- We have had an increase in children being collected late at the end of the school day. As a reminder, KS1 pupils finish at 3.25pm and KS2 pupils finish at 3.30pm.
- Children **must** be collected by 3.30pm, with the exception of attendance at an after-school club, when they must be collected at 4.15pm.
- When children are collected late it causes disruption to after school clubs and staff meetings/training.
- If you have an emergency and are unable to collect you child(ren) on time, please inform the school office.

School Uniform Reminders:

Boys

Royal Blue sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)

Dark trousers

Plain black/grey socks

White polo/cotton shirt

Girls

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.