



St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

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'Christ be in our heads, in our hearts and in our hands'

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 30th January 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents / Carers

We have had another lovely week in school. On Tuesday, Year 3 took part in a video call with their link school as part of our school linking project with a Lancashire school. The class has been partnered with Bradley Primary School in Nelson. The children have already exchanged bunting decorated with pictures of themselves. During the call, they enjoyed playing some getting-to-know-you games.

Congratulations to our athletics team who achieved a fantastic result by coming first in the local school cluster finals, on Tuesday. The team will now go on to represent the school at the South Ribble finals next week and we wish them the very best of luck.

On Wednesday, Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service visited our Reception children and brought a real fire engine for them to explore. The children were thrilled to see the equipment and learn about the important role firefighters play in keeping us safe. It was a wonderful experience for everyone.



Just a reminder that the booking system is still open for parents to book their Parents' Evening appointments on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th February. Please contact the school office if you have not received the email containing your link to access the system. The booking system will close at 8.00pm on Monday 9th February.

Have a lovely weekend!

Jillian Holmes

General News

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: True Happiness
- ❖ Letters home this week: South Ribble Indoor Athletics Finals - Message from Mrs Dawson; Nut-Free School Reminder; St Teresa's Parents' Evening - Booking Invitations; NSPCC Number Day.

Parking at drop off and pick up

We kindly ask for your cooperation in ensuring the safety of all children and families by adhering to the following guidelines when dropping off or picking up your child:

- ❖ Please do not park on the double yellow lines on Stanley Grove. These restrictions are in place to maintain clear visibility and safe passage for pedestrians, cyclists, and other vehicles. Parking on these lines can create hazards, particularly for our young children.
- ❖ Please do not park on the corners of the road around the school as local residents have complained they cannot get passed, especially when they have strollers.

Drive carefully and be mindful of your speed when navigating the area around the school, especially during busy drop-off and pick-up times. There are many children and families crossing the roads, and extra caution is vital to avoid accidents.

Parking Courtesy Reminder

We've had a small number of messages from residents on Stanley Grove, Penwortham about parking near driveways. We'd really appreciate your support in parking with a little extra care during drop-off and pick-up times, helping to keep access clear for local residents. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Nut-Free School Reminder

Please be reminded that our school is a nut-free school. To ensure the health and safety of all students, particularly those with severe nut allergies, we ask families to continue avoiding sending any nut or nut-containing products to school, such as Nutella or hazelnut chocolate products e.g. Pick Up biscuits. We appreciate everyone's co-operation and care.

Stars of the week

These pupils will receive their awards at the Award Assembly on Friday 6th February at 9.00am.

RM : I Smethurst

3J : S Mills

R/1C : J Green

3/4E : L Morgan

1/2V : F Cryer

4A : J McKinley

2B : T Boyle

5A : C Carter

6I : J Jacovelli

FS/KS1 St. Teresa's Role Model

KS 2 St. Teresa's Role Model

M Griffith

A Steele

Online safety

[Please click here to view the latest Online Safety Newsletter](#)

After school clubs

After school clubs finish at 4.20pm. To ensure the safeguarding of all children, parents must wait at the bottom of the steps outside the main school entrance for their child.

Wednesday Y5/6 Dance Competition Club (4:40pm finish)

Friday Y2 SR Football

Sports news

Sports Hall Athletics

Our athletics squad were in action on Tuesday at Priory Academy for the annual cluster competition. The boys and girls competed in a selection of track and field events. The atmosphere was electric! The standard from all the schools was incredible and the scores were extremely close. Our team were so encouraging and supportive of one another, especially when the nerves kicked in. Our ability shone through in the end though as we finished in 1st place overall! We are off to the South Ribble finals next Tuesday - good luck! Let's go St T's, let's go! 📌🏃🏆



Mini Vinnies

Dear Father,

Help us to create a better world and be good Christians by following the St Teresa's mission statement. Let us pray for Pope Leo and Pope Francis that they can help guide us to be a better catholic and make the right choices during life and always remember Christ be in our heads in our hearts and in our hands.

Amen

Written by Ciaran, Jenson, Gabe and Joel

**Attendance
Update**

Whole-School Attendance

This Week: 98.6%

Current academic year overall attendance: 96.8%

Our target for overall attendance: 97%

Let's keep up the great effort together!

**Dates for
the diary**

Week 2 lunches w/c 2nd February 2026

Thursday 5 th February	All Day 7:50am 8:30am	NSPCC Number Day Young Voices Rehearsal Y4 Swimming
Friday 6 th February	All Day 9:00am 9:30am 12:00pm 1:30pm	Mid-Year Reports Out Award Assembly Tinies Morning Session Young Voices Concert at Co-Op Arena Tinies Afternoon Session

Schools calendar can be found here:

<https://www.st-teresas-penwortham.lancs.sch.uk/special/google-calendar/>

**Community
& Parish
Information**

Weekend Mass Times:

St. Teresa's: 6:00pm (Saturday night) 9:30am (Sunday morning).

St. Mary Magdalen's: 11:00am (Sunday morning).

St. Oswald's: 5:00pm (Saturday night) 8:30am (Sunday morning).