



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 15th May 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents/ Carers

This week, our Year 6 pupils completed their SATs. They approached each day with determination and resilience, giving their very best, and we are incredibly proud of them for all their hard work and positive attitudes throughout the week. Well done Year 6!

This week marked the Feast of the Ascension, with the Feast of Pentecost being celebrated on Sunday 24th May. Although Pentecost falls later this month, pupils have been learning about it as part of their RE topic, helping them to understand the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. On Thursday, our Infant children enjoyed celebrating Pentecost with a special Pentecost party. It was a lovely way for the children to mark this important celebration together.



On Saturday, some of our Year 4 pupils will be making their First Holy Communion. This is a very special milestone in their faith journey, and we ask that you please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Looking ahead to next week, we are hoping to hold our Sports Day on Tuesday, weather permitting. The whole day will take place on our school field and will run as follows: Reception: 9:15am–10:15am, KS1: 10:45am–11:45am and KS2: 1:00pm–3:20pm. Parents can access the field via the KS2 gate.

Have a lovely weekend!
Jillian Holmes

General News

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: Jesus Prays for his Disciples
- ❖ Letters home this week: School Closes for Half Term 21/5/26; ACTION REQUIRED: Free School Meal Eligibility Criteria Changes; South Ribble Rugby League Finals.

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.

Online safety

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

[Please click here to find a useful video about Navigating Group Chats](#)

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.

Monday Reception Multi Sports with Prime Sports

Tuesday Sword-fencing (Morning club)

Sports news

Crown Green Bowling

On Tuesday, four of our Year 5 pupils attended a Crown Green Bowling event organised by South Ribble at New Longton Bowling Green. Despite the very wet and cold weather, the children took part enthusiastically and kept smiles on their faces throughout the morning.

They began by completing a range of skill-based drills, aiming for different targets to score points. The children quickly picked up the techniques involved and demonstrated excellent focus and skill.



Following the practice activities, the team competed in matches against other local schools. It was fantastic to see how much their confidence and ability improved as the morning went on. By the end of the event, we finished in a very respectable 3rd position overall!

The children were wonderful ambassadors for our school, showing great determination, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day. I was incredibly proud of them all! Well done!



St Teresa's Year 5/6 Tag Rugby - League Winners! 🏆

What an incredible achievement from our Year 5/6 Tag Rugby team this year!

After weeks of hard work, training and brilliant teamwork, the team have officially won their league and progressed through to the South Ribble Finals at Hutton next week!

Across the 3 weeks, the children played 14 matches, winning 12 and drawing 2 — remaining unbeaten throughout the entire campaign. An outstanding effort from every single player involved. The children should be extremely proud of what they have achieved! 🙌

Thank you to Prime Sports for all their hard work and expertise.

'Let's go St T's, Let's go!' 🌀🌀

God of love, help us to be like Jesus and work together with others to build a better future for all people. Amen.

Chosen by the Mini Vinnies

Whole-School Attendance

Last five days 8th May to 14th May: 97.9%
Current academic year overall attendance: 96.8 %
Target academic year overall attendance: 97%

Let's keep up the great effort together!

Mini
Vinnies

Attendance
Update



All the children will be taking part,
in school, throughout the day.
The children can come in dance/gym/
football kits/sports clothing
with the completed sponsorship form.

Sponsor Forms and Money to be Returned on the Day

ALL MONIES RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS THE PTFA, WHICH WILL
SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN WITH THE PURCHASE OF RESOURCES FOR SCHOOL.

Dates for the diary

Week 2 Lunches w/c Monday 18th May 2026

Monday 18 th May	All Day	Y5 Martin Mere Trip
Tuesday 19 th May	9:15am	Reception Sports Day
	10:45am	KS1 Sports Day
	1:00pm	KS2 Sports Day
Wednesday 20 th May	6:00pm	Reception 2026 Parent Induction Evening
Thursday 21 st May	All Day	PTFA Dancerciseathon
	8:30am	Y3 Swimming
	12:00pm	'Dinosaur Day' Themed Lunch
	3:20pm	School Closes for Half Term
Friday 22 nd May	All Day	School Closed
	All Day	Deadline to Pay & Consent to Y3 & Y4 Leighton Hall Trips via SCOPAY

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).