



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 11th July 2025

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents,

It's been a wonderful week in school! On Monday, some of our children had the pleasure of joining the local parish Knit a Bit group. Together, they've been working on a special collaborative project—creating a beautiful knitted blanket for our school. Both the children and the knitting group contributed individual squares, which were then stitched together by the group to form a stunning final piece. A huge thank you to everyone involved for your time, effort, and generosity—it's a wonderful symbol of intergenerational teamwork and care.



On Tuesday and Wednesday evening, our talented Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took to the stage for their end-of-year production, Hoodwinked. Their performances were absolutely brilliant—full of energy, humour, and confidence. The children worked incredibly hard in rehearsals, and it truly paid off. Well done to all the cast and crew, and thank you to the staff and families who supported them along the way!

On Thursday, we celebrated our Year 6 Leavers' Mass, a beautiful and moving occasion led by the children and Fr Ian. It was a time for reflection, gratitude, and celebration of all that our Year 6 pupils have achieved during their time at school.



General News

Also on Thursday, Year 4 and Year 5 enjoyed some exciting science sessions with Mr Gallagher, one of our school parents. The focus was on Forces, and the children had a fantastic time learning through hands-on activities, including building and testing their very own mini hovercrafts! A big thank you to Mr Gallagher for sharing his time and expertise with us.

Today is PIFA Break the Rules Day! The school is buzzing with excitement as the children embrace the fun of this special day. From sparkling glitter and colourful hair spray to their favourite outfits, the creativity on display is fantastic! It's been wonderful to see so many smiles and so much laughter throughout the school. A huge thank you to all our families for supporting this event and helping to raise money for the PIFA.

Have a lovely weekend!

Jillian Holmes

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: The Good Samaritan
- ❖ Letters home this week: Y5 (Current Y4) Swimming Consent Reminder; Hot Weather-PE Kit; Message from LCC-Transport to Secondary Schools; SAT's Results; All Hallows Catholic High School's 50th Anniversary Mass.

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](#)

Sports news

Y5/6 Netball

On Tuesday, our Year 5/6 netball team - the reigning South Ribble Champions - represented the district at the Lancashire County Finals held at UCLAN. The team started strongly with a confident win in their opening match. Despite a loss to a well-drilled Chorley school in the second game, the players rallied brilliantly to win their next two fixtures - even after one of our key players sustained an injury. In a closely contested quarter-final, we were narrowly defeated, bringing our fantastic run to an end. Nevertheless, we are incredibly proud of the team for reaching the county finals for the second year in a row. Finishing 7th out of nearly 600 primary schools across Lancashire is an outstanding achievement! A huge well done to all our players - and we wish Grace a speedy and full recovery!💙



Please may we ask that any children with sports kits at home to return them before the end of term. Thank you.

Mini Vinnies

Lord Jesus,

You understand what it is like to be hungry.

Teach us to have grateful and generous hearts.

Forgive us when we make selfish choices

Or remain silent in the face of injustice.

Chosen by the Mini Vinnies

Dates for the diary

Week 3 Lunches w/c 14th July 2025

Tuesday 15 th July	9:00am	Meeting for Y2 Parents & Pupils - Moving to KS2
Thursday 17 th July	All Day	Non-Uniform Day for Winning House - Plessington (Blue House)
	10:30am	Y3 Swimming
Friday 18 th July	9:15am	Y6 Leavers Assembly - Parents welcome to stay for refreshments
	1:30pm	School Closes for Summer

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).