



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 8th May 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

We've had wonderful week here at St. Teresa's and I'm delighted to share some of the highlights with you.



Our Year 6 pupils have been engaged in creating their Faith in Action projects and it has been absolutely fantastic to witness. The Faith in Action Award is a meaningful opportunity that builds on what our young people already experience in serving others. It asks them to reflect deeply upon their actions and consider new ways of living out and exploring their own faith. What has been particularly special is seeing the wonderful variety of responses from our pupils. Each project reflects their individual understanding and commitment to their faith, and it's been genuinely inspiring to see them think so carefully about their own faith and service.



On Thursday, our Reception children had an unforgettable visit to Mrs Dowson's Farm. The children had the most marvellous time, feeding the lambs, cows and goats and enjoying the play barn. Of course, they also couldn't resist sampling the delicious ice cream! Throughout the trip, the staff commented on how incredibly well behaved, polite and engaged all our Reception pupils were - they were a real credit to St. Teresa's. These experiences are so valuable for our youngest learners, as they develop their understanding of the world around them and create lasting memories.

General News

As we look ahead to next week, I wanted to take a moment to acknowledge our Year 6 pupils, who will be undertaking their SATs. Over recent weeks and months, we have seen them demonstrate tremendous effort and determination in their preparation for these important tests. The resilience and confidence they have shown has been remarkable. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and we wish them all the very best as they approach the week ahead. We have every confidence that they will continue to demonstrate the same dedication and positive attitude that has characterised their time here at St. Teresa's.

Have a lovely weekend!

Jillian Holmes

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: The Promise of The Holy Spirit
- ❖ Letters home this week: Y5 Martin Mere Payment/Consent Reminder; Dinosaur Day Lunch; 2026 Autumn Toast Reception - Y5; Parent Sleep Workshop; PTFA Letter- Prizes for Summer Gala; Y6 Tower Wood Meeting & Allergens; Second Hand Book Sale- Wednesday 20th May.

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.

Stars of the week

These pupils will receive their awards at the Award Assembly on Friday 15th May 2026 at 9.00am.

RM : L Gheorghe

3J : S Cianni

R/1C : J Lemon

3/4E : F Cryer

1/2V : M Halaka

4A : E Hills

2B : E Falodun

5A : E Rose

6I : O Woosey

FS/KS1 **St. Teresa's Role Model**
E Davis

KS 2 **St. Teresa's Role Model**
M Pilkington

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

Friday Y3 Dodgeball & Y5/6 High 5 Club

Sports news

St Teresa's Year 5/6 Tag Rugby - Still Unbeaten

Another brilliant week for our Year 5/6 Tag Rugby team at Penwortham Priory. The team played five matches and came away with five wins from five. Even more impressive was the defending, with the team only conceding ONE try across all five games.

A real team effort from start to finish — Let's go St T's, Let's go!!

Mini Vinnies

Christ Jesus, you came into the world to show us how to live. May we follow your commandment of love for one another in all that we do and all that we say.

Amen

Chosen by the Mini Vinnies

Attendance Update

Whole-School Attendance

This Week: 97.8%

Current academic year overall attendance: 96.8%

Target academic year overall attendance: 97%

Let's keep up the great effort together!

PTFA News



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 1 lunches w/c 11th May 2026 Monday - Thursday Key Stage 2 SATs

Thursday 14 th May	8:30am	Y3 Swimming
Friday 15 th May	9:00am	Award Assembly
	9:30am	Tinies Morning Session
	1:30pm	Tinies Afternoon Session
Saturday 16 th May	10:00am	Y4 Holy Communion

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).

Parent Workshop: Supporting Your Child's Sleep

Is bedtime a struggle?

Join our friendly, practical workshop designed to help parents understand and support their child's sleep.

What the workshop will cover:

- Why sleep is so important for children's wellbeing and learning
- Common sleep difficulties in children
- Practical strategies to support healthy sleep routines
- Tips you can use at home straight away

Tuesday 23rd June 2026 at 9 am

With Sharron Beirne, Primary Mental Health Link Worker

To book a place, please email Anna Satloka (SENCO) senco@st-teresas-penwortham.lancs.sch.uk




Active Camps

Venues:

Cuerden Church Primary School, PR5 6ED
Tuesday 26th May to Friday 29th May

Kingsfold Primary School, PR1 9HJ
Tuesday 26th May to Friday 29th May

Cost per day: £14.00
Cost per block: £52.00

For booking Visit: southribble.gov.uk/activecamps

Drop off 8.30am - 9am
Pick up 4.30pm - 5pm

Funded places available through HAF

Dodgeball, dance, scooting, cycling, glow sport, soft axe throwing, archery and much more!

All staff enhanced DBS cleared, also safeguarding and first aid trained

With highly qualified sports coaches and teachers

All children provided with a healthy lunch






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