



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 3rd July 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

On Monday, Year 3 welcomed children from their linking school, Bradley Primary School, for a wonderful day of friendship and teamwork. The children were delighted to see friends they remembered from their previous visit and enjoyed spending time chatting together.

Throughout the morning, they took part in a range of exciting activities, including making friendship bracelets, creating artwork and working in teams to build towers. It was fantastic to see the children developing new friendships, strengthening existing ones and working collaboratively with confidence and enthusiasm.



Our Year 6 pupils have had an amazing time on their residential visit this week at Towerwood. The children challenged themselves through a variety of exciting outdoor activities, including ghyll scrambling, climbing and the famous Leap of Faith. The residential provided many opportunities for pupils to build confidence, show resilience, support one another and create lasting memories. We are incredibly proud of the positive attitudes and determination shown by all of the children throughout the trip.



On Thursday, our Year 6 pupils attended their transition day at All Hallows. They spent the day meeting staff, exploring their new surroundings and getting to know the

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children they will be starting secondary school with in September. The day was a valuable opportunity for pupils to begin preparing for the next stage of their education, and they returned full of excitement about the year ahead.

We are delighted to celebrate the success of four of our Year 2 pupils, who entered a naming competition for local waste collection trucks. Their creative ideas were chosen, and the trucks will proudly carry the following names: The Monster Muncher, The Master Chomper, The Very Hungry Rubbish Truck and The Scrap Collector. What a fantastic achievement! We are very proud of our pupils for their creativity and imagination and we look forward to spotting these specially named vehicles out in Penwortham.



Today, our Year 3 pupils are taking part in Scoot Safe, an important programme designed to help children develop the skills and knowledge needed to ride their scooters safely and responsibly. The children will be learning about road safety, awareness of their surroundings and how to use their scooters confidently and safely. We hope they enjoy the experience and put their new skills into practice both at school and at home.

Thank you to everyone who has already completed our Extra-Curricular Activities Questionnaire. Your feedback is incredibly valuable and will help us plan and develop opportunities for our pupils next year. If you have not yet completed the questionnaire, please do so if you are able. The survey will remain open until Wednesday 8th July. Thank you for taking the time to share your views.

[Click here for the extra curricular questionnaire](#)

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at our School Gala this evening – we are hoping it stays dry so we can enjoy a great night!

Jillian Holmes

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: Come to me and rest - Matthew 11: 25-30 - We hear Jesus tell the people that he is gentle and humble in spirit.
- ❖ Letters home this week: Netball Finals Information; Extra Curricular Questionnaire; School Uniform Reminder; Cricket Tournament Rescheduled Information; Book Fair; Child's Class September 2026; Y6 Transition Day at All Hallows; Catholic School Inspection Report; Y6 SATs Results; iTrack Reports.

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:

Stars of the week

- ❖ 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.

These pupils will receive their awards at the Award Assembly on Friday 10th July at 9.00am.

RM : R Gaylor

R/1C : A Durkin

1/2V : A Dixon

2B : E Chamberlain

3J : O Chesworth-Dawber

3/4E : W Warburton

4A : T Yeulett

5A : L Lester

6I : A Woods

FS/KS1 **St. Teresa's Role Model**
A Flynn

KS 2 **St. Teresa's Role Model**
B Holden

Online safety

[Please click here to view the latest Online Safety Newsletter](#)
[Please click here to find a useful video about Staying Safe during School Holidays](#)

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 Y5 Football Training

Thursday Y4 Football Training

Friday Y3/4 Non-Contact Boxing with SR

Sports news

Lancashire School Games

On Tuesday, we took a team of Year 5 girls to the annual Lancashire School Games at UCLAN Sports Arena. The day began with an opening ceremony where all the participating schools and districts gathered for a welcome and whole-group warm-up.

Our girls then headed to the football pitches for their matches. Every child tried incredibly hard and played brilliantly, representing our



school with pride and smiles throughout the day. They continually cheered one another on, showing fantastic teamwork and support through both wins and losses.



Each member of the team received a commemorative medal and certificate. Well done to all the girls — we were so proud of you for giving it your all and never giving up!

Attendance Update

Whole-School Attendance

This Week: 98%

Current academic year overall attendance: 96.6%

Target academic year overall attendance: 97%

Let's keep up the great effort together!

PTFA News

ST Teresa's

Summer

GALA

FRIDAY 3RD JULY

5:00PM UNTIL 7:30PM
ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Class Enterprise Stalls

Hotdogs/Pizzas

Bar & Tuck Shop

Choco-bola

Play Your Cards Right

Pony Rides

Colour Tombola

Nerf Targets

Beat the Goalie

Bottle Hoopla

AND SO MUCH MORE...

(Bring Cash, Card Machine available on Bar and Hotdogs stall only)

ENTRY FEE IS £1 PER PERSON

PLEASE COME AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Dates for the diary

Week 3 lunches w/c 6th July

Monday July	6 th	All Day	Deadline for Y4 to Consent to Y5 Swimming in September
Tuesday July	7 th	9:00am 7:00pm	KS2 Transition Meeting Y5/6 Production
Wednesday July	8 th	7:00pm	Y5/6 Production
Thursday July	9 th	10:00am	Y6 Leavers Mass
Friday July	10 th	9:00am 7:00pm	Award Assembly Y6 Leavers Party

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).



July 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	6 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	6 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	13 July 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	13 July 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	14 July 7pm
FREE - Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 July 7-8pm
Autism-Improving Communication	20 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	20 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Understanding Anger	27 July 10am
School Anxiety	27 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am
Supporting Health Screen Use	28 July 7pm

Cuerden Church Primary School, Bamber Bridge	
Monday 20 th July until Thursday 20 th August	8:30am - 5pm
Kingsfold Primary School, Penwortham	
Week One - Monday 27 th July Week Two - Monday 3 rd August Week Three - Monday 17 th August Week Four - Monday 24 th August	8:30am - 5pm
Northbrook Primary Academy, Leyland	
Week One - Monday 27 th July Week Two - Monday 10 th August Week Three - Monday 17 th August	10am - 2pm
St Aidan's C of E Primary School, Bamber Bridge	
Monday 24 th August to Thursday 27 th August	8:30am - 5pm
Please visit www.southribble.gov.uk/activecamps for the full timetable	




Venues:
Running from Monday 20th July through to Thursday 27th August

Cuerden Church Primary School, PR5 6ED
Kingsfold Primary School, PR1 9HJ
Northbrook Primary School, PR25 2GB

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

All children provided with a healthy lunch

With highly qualified sports coaches and teachers



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