



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 17th July 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents / Carers

What a wonderful way to end another fantastic year at St Teresa's!

On Monday, we were treated to an amazing St Teresa's Got Talent show. The event, organised by our School Council, showcased the incredible talents, confidence and creativity of our pupils. A huge thank you to Miss Jackson and the School Council for planning and organising such a memorable event. We are also grateful to our judges, Miss Delaney, Mrs Richardson and Mr Pearson, who had the very difficult task of selecting the winners from so many outstanding performances.



Wednesday saw our annual Sports Day and, thankfully, the sun was shining for what turned out to be a fantastic day. The children showed great determination, resilience, team spirit and sportsmanship throughout the competitions, cheering one another on and celebrating each other's successes. Our Year 6 helpers and House Captains were outstanding, taking on their responsibilities with maturity, enthusiasm and encouragement, helping the day run smoothly from start to finish. A special thank you goes to Mrs Dawson, whose organisation ensured the event was such a success. She also kept everyone entertained with her energetic commentary throughout the day, creating a wonderful atmosphere for pupils, staff and families alike. Thank you to all of our staff for their support and teamwork in making the day so enjoyable for everyone.





Today we shared an emotional Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, reflecting on the many achievements, happy memories and friendships made during their time at St Teresa's. Year 6, we are so proud of everything you have accomplished. You have made a lasting contribution to our school family and although we will miss you greatly, we know you are ready for the exciting opportunities ahead. Always remember that you will remain a valued part of the St Teresa's family, and we will never forget you.



As we reach the end of another successful year, I would like to thank everyone who makes St Teresa's such a special place. Our wonderful children fill our school with joy, laughter and pride every day. Thank you also to our parents and families for your continued support, to our governors for their guidance and commitment and to our dedicated staff whose hard work and care ensure that every child can flourish.

Have a wonderful summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year of learning, friendship and success.

*See you in September! ✨
Jillian Holmes*

General News

- ❖ Letters home this week: Y6 Photo Booth Link; New Way Support; St Teresa's Catholic Life Newsletter Summer 2026; Important Water Safety Information from Lancashire County Council; Important Fire Safety Information for Parents and Carers; Letter from the Chair of Governors; Lost Property Box; Sports Kits; Summer Art Challenge 2026.

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.

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

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

Online safety

Sports news

High 5 South Ribble Finals

Our High 5 Team competed in the South Ribble Finals on Friday 3rd July at All Hallows. The children took part in a series of matches against the other finalist teams, demonstrating great determination and resilience throughout the competition.



Despite the hot weather and facing some strong, physical opposition, the team worked incredibly hard and remained focused. They showed excellent teamwork across the court, supporting one another and scoring some fantastic goals under pressure.

The finals were closely contested, and we are delighted to announce that, out of six teams, our children finished as runners-up. This is a fantastic achievement, and we are extremely proud of all those involved.

A huge well done to every member of the team for their effort, sportsmanship and commitment. We would also like to extend our thanks to Sarah Chamley for her help with coaching and for supporting the children throughout.

Well done, everyone! 🏆👏

Sports Day Medal Winners

Well done to all of our Sports Day medal winners! Your hard work, determination, and fantastic effort paid off, and you should be very proud of your achievements.



Jesus our teacher, help us to listen and learn from you and from one another. May we love one another as you teach us to.
Amen.

Chosen by the Mini Vinnies

Whole-School Attendance

This Week: 96.5%

Current academic year overall attendance: 96.7%

Target academic year overall attendance: 97%

Let's keep up the great effort together!

Week 2 lunches w/c 31st August 2026

Monday 31st All Day School Closed - Bank Holiday
August

Tuesday 1st All Day School Closed - INSET Day
September

Wednesday 2nd 8:40am School Re-opens
September

Schools calendar can be found here:

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

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).

Compass Bloom are offering online transition workshops for current Year 6 pupils moving to the following secondary schools:

Mini
Vinnies

Attendance
Update

Dates for
the diary

Community
& Parish
Information

All Hallows Catholic High School
Hutton Grammar School
Penwortham Girls High School
Penwortham Priory Academy

Please see the information poster for self-registration details.

Compass BLOOM

TRANSITION
MOVING UP TO HIGH SCHOOL

A supportive workshop focused on helping young people cope with worries and feel more ready for the move up to high school.

What We Cover

- Share our worries around moving up to high school.
- Reasons for worrying about change & how change can be exciting too!
- Coping strategies to help with any anxious feelings about moving up to high school.

MOVING UP TO HIGH SCHOOL

Transition Workshops
Supportive workshops to help children feel more confident and prepared for moving up to high school.

Group 1 : Thursdays: 23 July, 30 July & 6 August
Time: 11:00am - 12:00pm

Group 2 : Thursdays: 13 August, 20 August & 27 August
Time: 11:00am - 12:00pm

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Meet Our New Ambassadors

