



St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

<https://stteresaspennwortham.web07.juniperwebsites.co.uk/>

'Christ be in our heads, in our hearts and in our hands'

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had another wonderful week in school. Our Junior classes have all enjoyed their Meet the Teacher sessions this week. It was lovely to welcome so many parents and carers into school and to see such a positive turnout. We hope that these meetings were informative and provided a helpful opportunity to learn more about the year ahead, curriculum expectations and the exciting experiences planned for the children.

On Thursday, we were delighted to welcome Mad Science into school to deliver a fascinating assembly. The theme was Space, and pupils were captivated by a range of exciting demonstrations and scientific facts about our universe. The assembly sparked curiosity, imagination and plenty of thoughtful questions from the children, inspiring them to learn more about the world beyond our planet.



Also on Thursday, our School Ambassadors, Mr Biggs and Mrs Holmes, were honoured to attend a special Mass celebrated by His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, together with The Most Reverend John Sherrington, Archbishop of Liverpool. The Mass brought together representatives from schools across Lancashire within the Archdiocese and was a truly beautiful and memorable occasion.



Jillian Holmes

General News

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant.
- ❖ Letters home this week: Y5&6 All Hallows Parents Information Evening: Flyer Attached; Reception Vision Screening; St Teresa's open day 2026; Allergy Policy and Practice - Parent/Carer Form; IMPORTANT: Year 5/6 Independent Walk/Cycle Home Consent Form; Cake Decorating Club Y5/6: Form Attached; Mad Science After School Club Y1-Y6.

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.

Secondary and Primary online admissions are now open.

The deadline for applying for a school place for Secondary admissions is 31/10/2026 and Primary admissions is 15/1/2027.

Please note that you still need to complete the school supplementary form in addition to the online application. These are available from the school office or can be found on our website and need to be returned along with a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate.

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Stars of the week

These pupils will receive their awards at the Award Assembly on Friday 18th September at 9.00am.

RM : W Howell

3J : A Deptula

R/1C : E Delaney

3/4E : J Parker

1/2V : I Evans

4A : H Billington

2B : O Moon

5A : M Scholey & H Allen

6I : I Rowe & D Clarke

FS/KS1 **St. Teresa's Role Model**
D Drifill

KS 2 **St. Teresa's Role Model**
T Farley

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 Y5/6 Football Training

Friday Players Drama Club

Attendance Update

Whole-School Attendance

This Week: 98.7%

Current academic year overall attendance: 98.1%

Target academic year overall attendance: 97%

What a brilliant start !!!

PTFA News

♥ JOIN THE ST TERESA'S PTFA! ♥

We're looking for new members to join the St Teresa's Catholic Primary School PTFA team! 🐛

The PTFA is a great way to get involved in school life, meet other parents and carers, and help organise fun events and activities for our children. Every bit of help makes a difference!

✉ Interested in joining or finding out more?

Please email us at:

✉ stteresasptfa@st-teresas-penwortham.lancs.sch.uk



Dates for the diary

Week 1 lunches w/c 14th September

Tuesday September	15 th	5:00pm	KS1 Meet the Teacher
Wednesday September	16 th	5:00pm	EYFS Phonics Workshop
Thursday December	17 th	8:30am	Y5 Swimming
Friday September	18 th	9:00am	Award Assembly
		5:30pm	Reception New Starters Disco at St Teresa's Parish Centre

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).



St Teresa's Catholic Primary School A warm welcome to our school!

OPEN DAY

Come and see what makes St Teresa's Catholic Primary School special!

Tuesday 20th October 2026
9:30am and 2pm

Headteacher talk at the start

Meet our friendly staff

Explore our lovely school

See our fantastic learning spaces

Headteacher talk at the start of each time slot

Take a virtual tour:
<https://stteresaspennwortham.web07.juniperwebsites.co.uk/virtual-school-tour>

No need to book!
Just show up for the time you would like.

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OPEN DAY - ST TERESA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

We warmly invite prospective families to come and visit St Teresa's Catholic Primary School and discover what makes our school so special! ❤️ ❤️

📅 Tuesday 20th October 2026

🕒 9:30am or 2:00pm

Come along to:

👋 Meet our friendly staff

★ Explore our lovely school

📖 See our fantastic learning spaces

❤️ Hear a welcome from our Headteacher at the start of each session

There's no need to book — simply come along at whichever time suits you best.

📺 Can't make it in person? Take a virtual tour of our school:

<https://stteresaspennwortham.web07.juniperwebsites.co.uk/virtual-school-tour>

We look forward to welcoming you and showing you around! 🏠 ➡️

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New support for children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs



Families across Lancashire and South Cumbria are now able to access earlier support for children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs. The service, Neu Way Support, offers personalised advice, guidance and practical help based on need rather than diagnosis for families who are navigating concerns about autism, ADHD and other neurodevelopmental differences.

The service has been commissioned by Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) and will be delivered by Spring North in partnership with local community organisations that are specialists in supporting children, young people and families.

Families can self-refer at: <https://springnorth.org.uk/projects/neu-way-support/> or call 0300 365 5030.

Introducing Neu Way Support

Support for families of children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs

From 6 July, families across Lancashire and South Cumbria will be able to access Neu Way Support, a new service for families of children and young people aged 0-25 who may have autism, ADHD or other neurodevelopmental differences. The service is available based on need, which means you do not need a diagnosis to get support.

How can Neu Way Support help?

Neu Way Support can provide:

- Advice and guidance
- Information about local services and support
- Help to understand what support may be available for your child or young person
- Practical resources and tools
- Support to identify next steps and develop a personalised plan
- Signposting to community, education, health and voluntary sector services

Every family is different, so support will be tailored to your individual needs.

Who is the service for?

Neu Way Support is available for families of children and young people aged 0-25 who:

- Have concerns about autism, ADHD or other neurodevelopmental differences
- Are waiting for an assessment
- Have recently received a diagnosis
- Would benefit from information, advice or support to help navigate services

You do not need a diagnosis or to be on a waiting list to access support

How do I access the service?

Families can refer themselves directly or ask a professional to help them access support.

www.springnorth.org.uk/projects/neu-way-support
0300 365 5030

Building support for the future

Neu Way Support is part of a wider programme to improve support for children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs across Lancashire and South Cumbria. The service is being introduced in phases, with plans to continue developing and strengthening support for families over time.

