



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 18th September 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a wonderful week in school. On Tuesday, we welcomed our Infant parents to our 'Meet the Teacher' presentations. It was fantastic to see such a good turnout and we hope that everyone found the sessions informative and helpful.

On Wednesday, our Reception team hosted a Phonics Workshop for parents. The session provided an insight into how phonics is taught in school and how families can support their children at home. Parents were even invited to take part in a phonics lesson themselves!

Before the summer break, we were delighted to receive a very special gift from the Year 6 children who left us in July. They have presented the school with a beautiful cross, which has been placed on one of our trees near to the upper junior classes. This special space will be used by classes for outdoor worship and reflection, while also providing a peaceful place for spontaneous prayer throughout the day. We are incredibly grateful for this meaningful gift, which will serve as a lasting reminder of the faith, kindness and legacy of this Year 6 cohort.



Finally, we are looking forward to welcoming our new Reception families to the PTFA Disco this evening. It will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to enjoy their first school disco together, while parents have the chance to meet one another and get to know other families in our school community.

Jillian Holmes

General News

- ❖ Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: The Workers in the Vineyard
- ❖ Letters home this week: Allergy Policy Letter & Form to Complete Reminder; Y4 Dodgeball Club; Guitar, Ukulele and Drum Lessons - Mr Webster; Y3/4 Gardening Club; Reminder: This Friday Reception New Starter Disco; Girls 5/6 Football Club; Mad Science After School Club; Young Voices 2027: Action Needed; Y4 Dodgeball - Place Confirmed; Cake Decorating Club - Confirmation of Place; Y5/6 Girls Football club - Confirmation of Place; Y3/4 Gardening Club- Confirmation of Place; Summer Art Challenge 2026 Reminder.

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

School Council

Introducing our new School Council



We are delighted to introduce our new School Council for this year! Our council members have been chosen to represent their year groups and will work closely with Miss Jackson to share ideas, listen to the views of their classmates and help make our school an even better place. We are very proud of all our new representatives and look forward to seeing the positive contributions they make throughout the year.

Stars of the week

These pupils will receive their awards at the Award Assembly on Friday 25th September at 9.00am.

RM : L Cross

3J : R Ashworth

R/1C : R Gaylor

3/4E : M Holosova

1/2V : Z Fuller

4A : W Warburton

2B : F Burns

5A : C Walsh & E Dew

6I : M Pilkington & N Lambert

FS/KS1 St. Teresa's Role Model

KS 2 St. Teresa's Role Model

M McDonagh

R Lillis

Online safety

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

Before/ 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 Cake Decorating Club
Y3/4 Gardening Club
Y5/6 Girls Football

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Wednesday Y4 SR Dodgeball

Friday Players Drama Club

Y5/6 Football

A huge well done to all of our St Teresa's footballers who represented the school at their first tournament!

Both teams played some fantastic football and showed great teamwork, determination and enthusiasm throughout the tournament. Across the two teams, we won 8 of our 10 games, scoring an impressive 21 goals and conceding just once!

There were some brilliant individual performances, but even more impressive were the strong team performances throughout the day. The children worked together, supported one another and gave their very best in every game.

It was fantastic to see their confidence grow as the tournament progressed, and we are sure there will be plenty more exciting performances to come!

Well done to everyone who took part - you represented St Teresa's brilliantly!

Attendance
Update

Whole-School Attendance

The last 5 days (11th Sept - 17th Sept): 97.6%
Current academic year overall attendance: 98%
Target academic year overall attendance: 97%

Let's keep up the great effort together!

Dates for
the diary

Community
& Parish
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Week 2 lunches w/c 21st September

Tuesday 22nd 7:50am Young Voices
September

Thursday 24th 8:30am Y5 Swimming
September

Friday 25th 9:00am Award Assembly
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).



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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Young Citizen Award 2027

Do you know a young person

aged 19 or under, who has helped either their local neighbourhood, an individual, family member or a local organisation in the last 12 months?

The High Sheriff of Lancashire would like to hear from you!

The winner will receive £300

with two runner-up prizes of £100 each.

To nominate your candidate, please complete the online form at www.lanpac.co.uk or scan the QR code.

The closing date for nominations is 1st February 2027.

For more information email: lanpac@lancashire.police.uk

