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 6th November 2026

Head Teacher Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a wonderful first week back in school and it has been fantastic to see the children settled and enjoying their learning.

On Thursday, Mr Biggs visited the Laudato Si' Nature Garden at church with members of the School Council. Working alongside parishioners, they helped to plant a number of saplings. We are looking forward to watching them grow over the coming months and it won't be long before we are able to take classes down to the garden for worship, reflection and outdoor learning opportunities.





Congratulations to Arrowsmith House, who were the winners of the house points competition this term. Well done to all the children for their hard work, positive attitudes and excellent contributions throughout the term.

As we approach Remembrance Sunday, we take time to remember and give thanks for the bravery and sacrifice of those who have served and continue to serve our country. We will be holding a short Remembrance Service on Wednesday 11th November, giving the children an opportunity to reflect, pray and learn about the importance of remembrance. Thank you to everyone who has supported the Royal British Legion by purchasing poppies, wristbands, snap bands and other remembrance items over the last few days. These items will remain on sale until Wednesday.



Jillian Holmes

General News

- Prayer and Liturgy Theme Next Week: Matthew 25: 1-13- Jesus teaches us to be ready for God's love and guidance every day.
- Letters home this week: Mad Science After School Club; Height and weight measurements – Reception; Height and weight measurements and questionnaires – Y6; Y5/6 Cake Decorating Club Nov-Dec; St Teresa's Supp Faith Form & Online Application; Players Drama School - Christmas Course; Senco Coffee & Chat Morning; South Ribble Y2 Target Practice - after school club commencing Thursday 5th November to 3rd December; SRBC - Y2 Target Club - no club on 12/11 - extra club on 10/12/2026; Non Fiction Day - Friday 27th November 2026; PTFA UV Disco; Anti-Bullying Week; Dance Competition Practice - ends at 4.30pm.

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.

Primary online admissions are now open.

The deadline for applying for a school place for 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.

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Stars of the week

These pupils will receive their awards at the Award Assembly on Friday 13th November at 9.00am.

RM	:	J Gerrard	3J	:	J Ryan
R/1C	:	R Birchall	3/4E	:	S Balazs
1/2V	:	C Baxter	4A	:	G Challoner
2B	:	F Cookson	5A	:	P Duckworth & J Banks
			6I	:	F Delaney & T Johnson

FS/KS1	**St. Teresa's Role Model**	KS 2	**St. Teresa's Role Model**
	R Burns		A Jones

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 Cake Decorating
Tuesday	Dance Competition Rehearsals Mad Science
Wednesday	Y1 UV Multi Sports with Prime Sports
Friday	Players Drama

Sports news

Y5/6 Mixed Football Team

A massive well done to the St Teresa's football team at yesterday's South Ribble Finals! ⚽

It took us a little while to find our rhythm, and in tournament football those minutes can disappear quickly. But once we got going, we really felt we were the best team on the night!

A few decisions could certainly have gone either way, and we must have hit the post and crossbar about 100 times! Every single player gave absolutely everything, showing fantastic effort, attitude and determination from start to finish.

We couldn't finish without a special mention for Jack's absolute worldie of an overhead kick! What a moment! 👏

Finishing 4th out of the whole of South Ribble is a fantastic achievement, and every player should be incredibly proud of themselves. You represented St Teresa's brilliantly!

Let's go St T's, let's go! ⚽ 💚 👏



Football Kits

Please could we ask that all football kits are returned to school washed and ready to wear again as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

Attendance Update

Whole-School Attendance

2nd November to 5th November: 98%
Current academic year overall attendance: 97.6%
Target academic year overall attendance: 96.9%
Let's keep up the great effort together!

PTFA News



Dates for the diary

Week 3 lunches w/c 9th November

Monday 9th November	All Day	Deadline to Purchase PTFA UV Disco Ticket
Tuesday 10th November	7:50am	Young Voices
Thursday 12th November	8:30am	Y5 Swimming
	3:20pm	PTFA KS1 UV Disco
	4:30pm	PTFA KS2 UV Disco
Friday 13th November	9:00am	Award Assembly

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).