<u>Grimsargh St Michael's Newsletter</u> 31.03.2023

'Let your light shine before people so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven' (Matthew 5: v.16)



Congratulations to our **STARS** who have let their lights shine this week.

Reception (Miss Lemmings): Eliza G and Alice A

Year 1 (Miss Threlfall): Eva P and Jemima B

Year 2 (Mrs Coupe): Sophia L and Sophie J

Year 3 (Mrs Todd/ Mrs Slattery): All the class

Year 4 (Mr Brooks): All the class

Year 5 (Miss Reeve): Emilia L and Harry J

Year 6 (Miss Cross): Katie P and Isla W

Special Award for a Christian Value: **Ruby C** (year 2)

Weekly Attendance

(Week beginning 20th March)

SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET: 96.4%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 95.9%

Reception: 97.3%

Year 1: 98.7%

Year 2: 93.9%

Year 3: 95%

Year 4: 98%

Year 5: 100%

Year 6: 88.3%

Sarah Hall's COLOURING COMPETITION

WINNERS

Reception: Bella W

Year 1: Abel F

Year 2: Caleb C

Year 3: Millie P

Year 4: Anabelle L

Year 5: Milly H

Year 6: Ellie A

Sarah has bought an Easter Egg for each of our winners. These will be presented in our celebration assembly today.



DIARY DATES

Monday 17th April

3pm Whole School Worship

Tuesday 18th

3pm Hymn Practice

Wednesday 19th

3pm Key Stage Worship Educational Visit: Yr 1 to The World Beatrix Potter

Thursday 20th

3pm Key Stage Worship
3:30pm Cricket Club
Danny Gilbert

Friday 21st

2:45pm Whole School Assembly ST GEORGE'S DAY: Wear a red or white item of clothing with school uniform

Educational Visit: Yr 4 to Quarry Bank Mill

Longridge Library Visit: Year 3



SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels' on Instagram

'Grimsargh St Michael's C of E Primary School' on Facebook.





Easter Worship at St Michael's Church, Grimsargh

A huge thank you to Reverend Jeff, for leading our Easter church service. Last Thursday morning, Reverend Jeff and a selection of children from various classes brought the story of Easter to life. Thank you to the parents and carers who joined us to worship together.



Along with Reverend Jeff, various pupils shared the story of Easter. We are delighted that the children sang beautifully and spoke clearly and confidently. Special thanks to our Year 6 pupils for reading from the Bible (Matthew 26 and Matthew 27). A Year 3 child, along with Bible Fun club reminded us of the joy of Palm Sunday, a selection of children from Year 2 showed us their beautiful art work of the Paschal candle and described its symbolism. Year 3 read diary entries in role as one of the disciples who attended the Last Supper and Year 4 cascaded their thoughts about trust, betrayal and forgiveness in the story of Easter. Children from Year 2 and Year 3 took the lead when we prayed together.

The story of Easter Day and the resurrection of Jesus is an amazing reminder of the power of God. However, Easter was not a totally joyful occasion for everyone. Take a moment to reflect on the range of emotions that the disciples encountered. It is possible that they felt sadness, confusion, fear, amazement and hope as they discovered that Jesus was alive.

This Easter, remember the joy of the Easter message whilst also considering those who are less fortunate than we are.

Pray for all in need.



In worship on Monday, we discussed what Jesus wanted us to learn, when He said,' I am the resurrection and I am the life.'

The story of Easter and the resurrection of Jesus gives Christians around the world hope. Christians believe that they will have eternal life. They try to live a life, following the example of Jesus.

This Easter, how will you show others that you are close to God?

An Easter Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for the gift of Jesus.

Thank you for sending Him to earth to show us the way, giving us hope.

We are grateful for the chance to learn more about you as we worship together and learn more about Easter.

Jesus rose from the dead.

Help us appreciate the signs of new life all around us this spring.

Let our light shine this Easter and show everyone that we meet that we follow your example and live life in all its fullness.

Amen

News from St Michael's Church, <u>Grimsargh</u>

Easter Egg Hunt: Sunday 9th April, following the Easter Sunday Service at 10am.

Sunday of the month 10:00 a.m.
All school age children welcome.

RAMADAN

At this time of year, we also remember how Muslims around the world are showing that they are close to God, by fasting during Ramadan. They do

not eat or drink from dawn until sunset during Ramadan. Fasting is one of the five pillars of Islam. Muslims fast to get closer to God, be self-disciplined, control themselves, and show their gratitude for God's blessings.



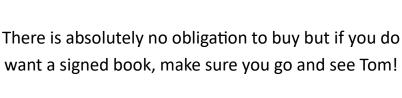


TOM PALMER— author

See Tom Palmer, author, on Wednesday 19 April 4-5pm at

the Preston Waterstones store,

(3-5 Fishergate, Preston PR1 3LU).





SAFEGUARDING

Please see the separate attachment- 'Top Tips for Helping Children and Young People with Managing Device Stress and Anxiety'

A free online safety guide on Managing Device Stress and Anxiety.

We can access new music and movies in seconds. We can get products delivered to our door the very next day. We can chat or play games with people on the other side of the planet. For all of the remarkable benefits the digital age has brought us, it's also presented us with a whole new raft of pressures and anxieties that, in truth, we're all still learning to cope with.

From continual notifications inflaming a fear of missing out, to the risk of public embarrassment or slanging matches on social media, today's children and young people have stresses to manage that previous generations simply never encountered. Our #WakeUpWednesday guide examines these uniquely modern worries,

highlighting ways to reduce the anxiety that digital devices can bring.

In the guide you'll find tips on reducing push notifications from apps, avoiding social media arguments and spotting

Keeping children safe is evervone's responsibility

when a child's been upset by something online.





Scores for: 12.12.22-26.3.23



1st place: reception 299,344pts 2nd place: year 4 268,567pts 3rd place: year 3 194,848pts 4th place: year 6 180,350pts 5th place: year 2 161,475pts 6th place: year 1 149,802pts

Top Student

146,972pts

7th place: year 5

Evan W (year 4) 70,604 pts

FRENCH

Reading University have asked us to ask that our year 3, 4, and 5 parents fill in a survey, which is linked to the 'Progression in Primary Languages Project' our children are involved in. The survey can be found by typing the link into your address bar: https://tinyurl.com/PiPLBkgrF5

It seems that there was an error in the original survey which stopped people from responding.

It is very short and should only take a few minutes for you to complete the survey, but the information provided will be really helpful for their analysis.





LAST CHOIR SINGING

A huge well done to our school choir who took part in 'The Last Choir Singing' competition at King George's Hall. They absolutely sang their hearts out, with lots of confidence, and made us all extremely proud! We can't wait to enter again next year. A big thank you to all the parents who came along, and to Mrs Lock, Miss T and Mrs Wane for coming along too. Well done choir!

Miss Lemmings



GRIMSARGH PRIMARY SCHOOL TENNIS COACHING BREAKFAST CLUB



Tennis Coaching:-



8AM - 8.45AM - Ages 4-11 Years Learn the basic racket & ball skills, play singles and double matches - Lots of fun also!!

Starting Tuesday 18th April 2023

Just £40 for a block of 10 lessons!!!



All equipment provided

Any ability welcome!

Email to book on! Limited Spaces Available!



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How do communities support each other in difficult times?

PICTURE NEWS

Christian Value:

SERVICE





Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Community groups can be formed by people with similar interests or characteristics. Not everyone shares the same interests or characteristics as each other but we can respect that.

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SPORT

Football

Our girls played their final four matches of the football season over the past two weeks. Our team was a little depleted for the first 3 matches due to missing Lexi and Tenayah through injury/illness but the girls battled on bravely.

Firstly, we played a close game v Blessed Sacrament, and despite creating plenty of chances lost unluckily 1-0. Then, we faced a very strong Longsands team. A brave performance resulted in a 4-0 defeat. Finally, we played Brockholes Wood and our excellent performances were rewarded with a 2-0 win.

This week our girls played against St Anthony's, who are in 2nd place in the table. They played superbly well, especially in the first half, taking a 1-0 lead. The girls put up a brave second half performance but conceded a goal late on, to draw the match 1-1. This result showed the improvement our girls have made over the past two seasons, when they were first formed as a team.

The season finished with us in 3rd place, playing 6 matches, winning 2, drawing 2 and losing 2.

Well done to our team: Sophie L, Tenayah W, Lexie H, Ellie A, Evie R, Tillia W, Isla D, Amber R and Katie P.

DODGEBALL

On Monday, eight year 5 boys represented our school in the first ever primary school dodgeball competition. This competition was held in the sports hall at Corpus Christi Secondary School and was very competitive.

We were somewhat unfortunate in the group we were drawn in as we faced the eventual runners up and semi-finalists, losing to both schools twice in the group stage, meaning that we didn't progress beyond the group.

Our boys tried their best and are keen to be part of the team next year.

Well done to Avneet S, Joseph F, Bobby G, Oscar P, Alfie R, Attis S, Bob G and Bradley P.

CROSS COUNTRY

We sent a 14 strong team to the Preston Schools' annual Cross Country event on Wednesday morning. Six of our runners (3 boys and 3 girls) were selected to wear our schools allocated racing numbers to signify that their finishing places would count as our schools results. The other children were running as they were keen to participate. We were the largest of all school teams and entered as the current team winners from last year!

All our athletes ran to the best of their abilities over what was a boggy and gruelling course.

A particular mention must go to Evie R (year 6) who finished in 7th place out of 80 in the girls' race.

Well done to: Evie R, Emilia L, Tillia W, Katie P, Isla D, Isla W,
Annie-Rose N, Ted C, Cody H, Alex J, Noah E, Tobias L, Seb W &
Charlie B



SOME OF WHAT'S COMING NEXT TERM...

Year 1/2 Football



Year 1/2 Gymnastics

Year 3-6 SPORTS FESTIVAL

Reception mini-skills



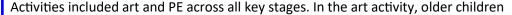
Year 5/6 Athletics

School Council News

Comic Relief

School Council met to discuss Comic Relief back in February and made plans for the day. They decided to do an assembly for the whole school and set some activities to be done in classes.

The assembly was really informative and allowed the children to see what a difference their donations make. It included a story from a young boy called George who has autism.



designed a new logo for a charity they had learnt about in the assembly, while younger children did some animal portraits. In PE, some classes created a red obstacle course and thought about how George might find moving in different ways trickier than we might do ourselves.

The total raised was £138.00.

Thank you for your kind donations made via your charity donations on Parentpay.

Mother's Day

Back in September, the School Council went through our diary dates for the year and chose things they would like to promote in school.

They were keen to lead the whole school in worship for Mother's Day and spoke about how mothers and females in our lives are celebrated around the world. The children spoke beautifully and led the school in prayer.

PTFA-BINGO NIGHT

Last night, 150 of our children and parents gathered in the Village Hall to enjoy an evening of Bingo!

Mr Brooks did a fantastic job as the Bingo Caller, resisting the temptation of eating any of the Easter Eggs that surrounded him and filled the stage!

A huge thank you to our PTFA who yet again organised and lead a fantastic event, raising £790 for our school.

We are incredibly lucky to have such an active PTFA who give up their time not only on the days of the events but also behind the scenes, meeting, organising and preparing.

Thank you to all of you who bought tickets and supported our PTFA event and thus our school. I hope you all had a great night.

Roll on next year!

YEAR 5

Recently, year 5 represented our school by performing as part of the 'Let's Go Sing' concert! They spent the past six months practising the songs and the actions and every one of them performed beautifully on the night. We are all very proud of them and I hope they are all very proud of themselves too. A couple of weeks ago, year 5 were also very lucky as they got to go and watch the world famous Philharmonic Orchestra perform in Liverpool. The children were taken on an experience in a time travelling machine listening to different pieces of music written over the years. They listened carefully to the different instruments in different pieces of music and they all really enjoyed the concert. They will be focusing on this experience throughout their next unit of music. Year 5 impressed staff immensely with their behaviour and the way they represented our school during both trips.

A massive well done to you Year 5!

SUMMER TERM DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
April	
Mon 17 th	School OPEN
Friday 21 st	St George's Day (Sun 23 rd) Non-uniform (wear a red/white item)
May	Year 2 SATs to be administered during the month of May
Mon 1 st	BANK HOLIDAY
Tues 2 nd	Clubs start
Fri 5 th	KING'S CORONATION Celebration
Mon 8th	BANK HOLIDAY
Tues 9 th – Fri 12 th	Year 6 SATs week
Thurs 18 th	National Numeracy Day
Thurs 18 th	Ascension Day
Mon 22 nd	Life Education
Tues 23 rd	Life Education
	School Closes- 3:25pm
June	
Mon 5 th	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)- 2- week window starts
Mon 5 th	Pentecost (Sun 28 th) - year 5 lead Worship
Tues 6 th	Year 6 Bikeability
Weds 7 th	Year 6 Bikeability
Mon 12 th June	Phonics screening check week
Mon 19 th	Father's Day (Sun 18 th)
Mon 19 th	SPORTS WEEK
Thurs 22 nd	Sports Days- Reception/ KS1 (morning) & KS2 (afternoon)
July	
Fri 7 th	Clubs finish
Monday 10 th	Year 5/6 dress rehearsal 1:30pm
Tues 11 th	Year 5/6 pm performance 2pm
Weds 12 th	Year 5/6 Inter-school athletics competition: 1-4pm
Thurs 13 th	Year 5/6 evening performance 6pm
Mon 17 th	Reception & KS1 end of year worship 9:30am
Tues 18 th	KS2 end of year worship 9:30am
Weds 19 th	Year 6 leavers' assembly- 2pm
	Year 6 Franco's Restaurant- 5:30pm
Fri 21 st	School Closes at 1:30pm