

Grimsargh St Michael's Newsletter

05.05.2023

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

Date for your diary

Parish Garden Party at St Michael's C of E Primary School

Date: Saturday 17th June

Time: 1:00-3:00 pm

Along with the parishioners, we are looking forward to welcoming our pupils, along with you, their parents, guardians, family and friends, to the Parish Garden Party where there will be a selection of stalls and entertainment, together with teas and refreshments being served.

All the children from nursery through to year six, perform a dance routine.

All of the money raised at the event goes to Grimsargh St Michael's Church. A large percentage of the proceeds maintain the Barchester fund which feeds directly into funding projects and resources for our school.



Weekly Attendance

(Week beginning 24th March)

SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET:

96.4%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 97.3%

Reception: 99.7%

Year 1: 92.3%

Year 2: 96.9%

Year 3: 99.7%

Year 4: 99.2%

Year 5: 95.9%

Year 6: 98%

King Charles III Coronation

It's been almost 70 years since the UK and Commonwealth have seen the crowning of a monarch, so King Charles III's coronation ceremony on Saturday 6th May is set to be a much anticipated and celebrated event.

To commemorate this coronation, we have bought and presented each child with a specially engraved wooden bookmark, as shown, but with our school name included, as a keepsake to remember the occasion for years to come.



DIARY DATES

Monday 8th May

BANK HOLIDAY

KS2 SATs week

Tuesday 9th

3pm Hymn Practice

Educational visit: Reception @ Brockholes

Year 3 swimming

Wednesday 10th

3pm Key Stage Worship

Year 3 swimming

Thursday 4th

3pm Key Stage Worship

Year 3 swimming

Friday 5th

2:45pm Whole School Assembly

Year 3 swimming



SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

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





If the hat fits!

During worship on Monday, Miss Smith wore a very smart hat. Hats sometimes tell us about a person. They can be part of a uniform and tell us what job or hobby a person has. A selection of children from the Reception class and Year 1, matched a variety of hats we associate with different professions or hobbies.

Does wearing the hat make the person a nurse, builder or police officer?

If it isn't the hat, what is it?

What about a crown?

How does somebody get to be a king or a queen?

Wearing a crown doesn't make a person a king or queen. You become a king or a queen because of the family you are born into. When you are born into a royal family, you learn how to do the job as you grow up. It's not all crowns, palaces and fancy clothes. Being a king or a queen is about serving the country and people. King Charles visits people in hospitals, in schools, in towns and cities. He gives talks and encourages people. On 6th May he will be crowned king. He will wear the crown for the first time. King Charles will be crowned in a big church called Westminster Abbey, during a special service called a Coronation. The Coronation service shows that King Charles has been chosen by God to be king and to serve the country and people.

Promises

King Charles will make promises about the sort of king he will be and will ask God to help him keep his promises.

Anointing

Special prayers will be said, asking God to bless King Charles and help him to be a good king. If you watch the Coronation, King Charles will take off his fine robes and wear a plain white one. He will then have special, blessed oil put on his head in the shape of a cross. This is to show that King Charles is an ordinary person, like you and me, and he needs God's help to be king. The cross is special to Christians. It reminds them of the cross that Jesus, who they believe is the King of the whole world, died on.

Coronation I Spy

Look out for special objects during the Coronation

King Charles will be given special objects to hold to show that he is king. Look out for the Orb, the Sceptre and the Crown.

The Orb is a golden ball with a cross on the top. The ball stands for the world and the cross is a reminder that to Christians, that Jesus is King of the world and King Charles is king with Jesus' help.

A Sceptre is like a special stick. Look out for the cross on the Sceptre.

The Crown is full of jewels. There is a cross on this too.



As king, King Charles will be a leader of Christians in this country. Christians believe that Jesus is the King of the whole world. King Charles wants to serve everyone whatever religion or race you are from.

So, sometimes when we wear a hat it shows the job or role we have been chosen to do. People are often chosen to do a job, they have to learn how to do jobs, they have to have the right skills and be willing to work hard.

It's the same with King Charles III. He has spent his whole life learning how to be king and he believes he has been chosen by God who will also help him to be a good king.

A prayer for the new King

Everlasting God, we pray for our new King.
Bless his reign and the life of our nation.
Help us to work together
so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness
flourish among us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.





Picture News

Christian Value: Joy



Mutual Respect and Tolerance

We are all different; our lives, and our beliefs. How or if we choose to celebrate the coronation will be different too and we respect this.

CRICKET

A great start to our cricket league on Thursday with a strong performance and win v Goosnargh Oliversons. We batted first, scoring 45/1 with Noah L hitting 22 runs before having to retire. We then restricted Goosnargh to 32/2 from their overs, Alex J with the wickets. The team worked well together with some good fielding and clear calling out when running between the wickets.

Well done to Noah L, Alex J, Jenson P, Charlie C, Cody H, Charlie B and Avneet S.

SAFEGUARDING

Please see the separate attachment-
'10 Top Tips for Safely - Using Smartwatches'

Wearable tech is increasingly big business. More than 170 million smartwatches were sold globally in 2022 for example, with Apple biting off the largest chunk of the market (26% - some distance ahead of Samsung, in second with 9%). That's partly because they have more than 21,000 apps available for their devices, allowing users to customise their smartwatch experience.

Both Apple and Samsung's products, of course, lean towards the higher spec end of the market – usually with price tags to match. Sourcing a less expensive alternative, however, often also means inferior safety features to protect young wearers.

That's just one of the potential hazards highlighted in our #WakeUpWednesday guide to smartwatches. In the guide you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as location tracking, causing

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



distractions at school and the danger of theft.



Scores for: 24.04.23– 30.4.23



1st place: year 4	16, 794pts
2nd place: reception	14, 249pts
3rd place: year 6	13, 780pts
4th place: year 5	10, 611pts
5th place: year 3	9, 680pts
6th place: year 2	7, 280pts
7th place: year 1	3, 460pts

Top Student

Harriet H (year 4) 10,090 pts

Does your child love Musical Theatre, Singing, Performing, Acting?

Little Voices lessons builds confidence, develops vital life skills and equips children with essential performance skills in a fun environment!

Little Voices lessons alternate each week between drama and singing, taught by a highly trained and passionate tutor. Their 100% pass rate with LAMDA and the benefits that these exams give, provides huge lifelong benefits. It builds a child's CV from a young age in a fun way, whilst increasing confidence for life. Their lessons facilitate development vocally, dramatically, personally and socially. With only a maximum of eight pupils in a class, it is the perfect balance between individual attention and building teamwork skills. Tutors get to know each child, fabulous friendships are built, all within a fun, creatively stimulating environment.

New venues launching in Fulwood and Chorley. Venues currently in Leyland and Bamber Bridge. Don't miss out on a free trial lesson at one of their venues. Apply now:

www.littlevoices.org.uk/preston OR Rachel@littlevoices.org.uk

or call 07480 064828



News from St Michael's Church

You are all welcome at the Sunday morning service at St Michael's Church at 10am each week.

If your child would like to volunteer at church by serving biscuits after the service, helping with the collection, collecting hymn books or reading from the Bible, please contact Mrs Jayne Woollam via e-mail:

jaynewoolam@hotmail.co.uk

ROB BURROW MARATHON

On Sunday 14th May, Mrs Lock will be running the 'Rob Burrow Leeds Marathon'. This is Mrs Lock's third marathon.

As a rugby league fan I have always admired Rob as a rugby player, possessing enormous grit and determination which is evident since his diagnosis with Motor Neurone Disease. I am hoping to raise much needed funds in Rob's name for a new specialist MND hospital.

Any support would be gratefully received, thank you: Mrs Lock.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jennifer-Lock5?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=Jennifer-Lock5&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=f74a4a896e2a44a8887b0e098b

Longridge Library

The following sessions are taking place at Longridge Library this May. These free sessions are suitable for 6-12 year olds and will introduce them to coding with an opportunity to programme our Ozobots. Booking is required by e-mailing Longridge.library@lancashire.gov.uk or telephoning **0300123 6703**. Full details below:

Date: Monday 15/05/2023 & 22/05/2023 (15:15pm to 16:45pm)

Details

- Back by popular demand!
- Have a first go at coding with our friendly robot.
- Start coding with Bit, Ozobot's basic bot for building early STEM skills. Staff will support you to learn to use these mini robots and then use your creativity to race the robots.
- Or take it to the next level and learn how to use computers to make the robots spin and travel!

Admittance

- Booking required, Numbers limited
- Suitable for 6-12 year olds. Free, but places are limited, please telephone, e-mail or pop into the library to book.

[Robot Races - Event Details - Lancashire County Council](#)

Phonics

Thank you to our reception and year 1 parents/ carers who attended our phonics sessions this week and last, led by Mrs Coupe and taught by Miss Lemmings and Miss Threlfall. Feedback received suggested that you found them useful.

We will continue to share our phonics teaching and are looking at doing this much earlier in the year next year.