

Grimsargh St Michael's

Newsletter

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



DIARY DATES

Monday 20th November

3pm Whole School Worship

Tuesday 21st

3pm Hymn Practice

8:50am Year 5 group 2 to Longridge High– transition visit

2pm Fire Service visiting year 2 and 6

Wednesday 22nd

3pm Key Stage Worship

Thursday 23rd

3pm Key Stage Worship

Friday 24th

2:45pm Celebration Assembly

Sports Hall Athletics competition



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

Reception (Miss Lemmings): **Sienna B and Evie R**

Year 1 (Miss Threlfall): **Eliza G and Max B**

Year 2 (Mrs Coupe): **Hamish R and Jemima B**

Year 3 (Mr Brooks): **Noah H and Elissa D**

Year 4 (Mrs Todd/ Mrs Slattery): **Evie G-P and Mia-Rose P**

Year 5 (Miss Reeve): **Freya W and Areeb A**

Year 6 (Miss Cross): **Tia T and Florence B-R**

Well done to **Freddie W** (year 2) for being awarded the **Christian Value** award.

Weekly Attendance

(Week beginning 30th October)

SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET: 96.4%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 96.9%

Reception: 94.7%

Year 1: 95.3%

Year 2: 99.3%

Year 3: 98.6%

Year 4: 97.1%

Year 5: 94%

Year 6: 99%

Key Christmas Dates- December

Sat 2nd:	Christmas Fair (1-4pm)
Weds 6th:	1pm PANTO
Mon 11th:	KS1 Nativity dress rehearsal 2pm
Tues 12th:	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Weds 13th:	KS1 Nativity 6pm
Fri 15th:	Christmas jumper and lunch
Mon 18th	Reception nativity dress rehearsal 9:30am
Tues 19th	Rocksteady Concert 10am
Weds 20th	Reception nativity @ St Michael's Church 10am
Thurs 21st	Whole school Christmas service at St Michael's Church 9:15am (Parents/ carers welcome)
Fri 22nd	SCHOOL CLOSSES @ 3:25pm



Instagram

SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

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



'Make A Noise About Bullying'

This week has been Anti-bullying Week in school.

Too often, we are silent when we see bullying take place, silent about the hurt bullying causes, and silent when we hear bullying dismissed as 'just banter'. Together, we can make a difference and take a stand against bullying.

From the playground to Parliament, and from our phones to our homes, let's make a noise about bullying.

Of course, we won't like everyone, and we don't always agree, but we can choose respect and unity.

This Anti-Bullying Week we have come together to discuss what bullying means to us, how 'banter' can turn into something more hurtful, and what we can do to stop bullying. We took part in Odd Socks Day to celebrate uniqueness and each class has completed activities throughout the week, such as making anti-bullying posters, designing odd socks, role play, poetry and circle time.



We need your help..



We are looking forward to the **Parish Christmas Fair** on **Saturday 2nd December at 1pm.**

Our school will again have a stall at this festive event. This year, the theme for our stall is blue and silver. Please send a blue and/ or silver Christmas item into school with your son or daughter **before Wednesday 29th November**. Examples include, Christmas wrapping paper, a Christmas tree decoration, bubble bath, chocolates, Christmas biscuits, candles.

Please don't worry if the item has other colours in it, as long as the main colour/s match our theme. Thank you for your continued support.

News from St Michael's Church

An evening of entertainment with John Bowdler- the organist from Blackpool Tower.

18th November 7:30 pm at St Michael's Church

Price £10 per person with light refreshments included

Tickets available from St Michael's Church



Save the date:

Parish Christmas Fair in the school hall on Saturday 2nd December



WIDENING OF GRIMSARGH BRIDGE

Lancashire County Council are looking to widen the Grimsargh Bridge. The following works are to be carried out:

- **30th November-** Borehole: 2 days drilling – within school grounds between path and play area. Path to remain open and works to start after 9am to allow pupil access. Borehole work area to be fenced off with 'Heras' fencing.
- **2nd and 3rd December-** Borehole: 1 days drilling – beneath bridge. Drilling to take place at weekend as requested to allow continued safe pupil access to school. Any fencing removed to be re-instated after works.
- **4th December-** Borehole: 1 night drilling – south side of bridge in carriageway. Drilling to be undertaken at night under road closure along with carriageway coring.



FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Our first opponent Deepdale didn't show, so we just had Holme Slack to play.

Whilst we were waiting we played Kennington in a friendly - we beat them 1-0 with a goal from Avneet direct from a corner.

Next up, we played Holme Slack in the league and a really solid performance resulted in a 2-0 win with goals from Zack and a stunner from Malachy.

Well done to our team of **Malachy W, Zack M, Avneet S, Charlie B, Charlie C, Bobby G and Noah Y.**

Special thanks to Charlie C's mum and Charlie B's dad for helping with lifts.

TRIATHLON

Our team of triathletes achieved a tremendous result of 3rd place at Fulwood Academy on Tuesday. This was achieved amidst tough competition as the Triathlon event was open to all Preston primary schools.

The children firstly participated in a series of gym tests. These were speed bounce, sit ups, bench vaulting and bouncing a ball against a wall at speed. We performed admirably in all, but especially at the sit ups with a top score.

Next up was the swimming (6 X 25m relay) and the team absolutely smashed it with the fastest combined time of all schools competing!

Finally, the children had to complete in a gruelling run of around 500m. We left tired, but very happy with bronze medals. This continues the tradition of us being very strong in this event having won it 2 years ago.

Massive well done to **Emilia L, Amber R, Ellie R, Ellis T, Bob G and Seb W.** We are very proud of you.

Thanks to all who helped with lifts and a big shout out to Emilia's grandma and Ellis' dad who helped support the team!



Why are we all different and special?

Christians believe that all people are special in the eyes of God. They believe that everyone's name is written on the palm of God's hand. Our Reception children created a large palm and wrote their name on it. Each one of us is unique, special and loved. Names are important.

Do you know what names Muslims give to God?

During RE, the children in Reception class looked at an Islamic prayer bracelet. They found out that each of the 99 beads on the bracelet represents a name that is given to God by Muslims. These names remind Muslims of the characteristics of God and how he wants Muslims to behave. The children made prayer bracelets.



SAFEGUARDING

Please see the separate attachment- 'What Parents and carers need to know about SMART TVs'

This free online safety guide profiles smart TVs. As these internet-enabled entertainment systems rapidly become standard, find out how to guide children in using such devices safely.

Smart TVs have become more affordable in recent years, making them readily available to most consumers. These more advanced systems offer numerous features beyond those of a normal television set – chiefly, the ability to access the internet and interface with popular streaming services without the need for a set-top box or other intermediary device.

This increased functionality, however, also brings additional threats to privacy, security and more – as you'd perhaps expect from any device capable of going online. As TV is such a cornerstone of our home lives, these dangers can be uniquely difficult to manage. Our #WakeUpWednesday guide breaks down the major risks, with tips on helping children to enjoy TV...stress free.



Scores for: 6.11.23– 12.11.23



1st place: reception	27, 325pts
2nd place: year 6	26, 933pts
3rd place: year 1	26, 267pts
4th place: year 3	24, 378pts
5th place: year 4	21, 872pts
6th place: year 5	18, 503pts
7th place: year 2	18, 215pts

Top Students

Reception:	Thomas E
Year 1:	Oliver M
Year 2:	Amelia G
Year 3:	Sophia L
Year 4:	Emilia E
Year 5:	Evan W
Year 6:	Bob G