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community

Newsletter

Date: **Friday 5th December 2025**

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“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

Congratulations to the children who have been chosen to receive our Christian Value award this week.

Reception (Mrs Aspinall) – **Sienna H**

Year 1 (Miss Threlfall) – **Harriet A**

Year 2 (Mrs Coupe)– **Sienna B**

Year 3 (Miss Reeve)– **Amos C**

Year 4 (Mrs Parsons)– **Nes C**

Year 5 (Mrs Todd)– **Ella-Rae M**

Year 6 (Mrs Knight)– **Sienna G**

Diary Dates

MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER

9:15am Whole School ADVENT Worship

2pm KS1 Christmas Performance-
dress rehearsal

TUESDAY 9TH

2:30pm KS1 Christmas Performance-
for families

WEDNESDAY 10TH

2:30pm KS1 Christmas Performance-
for families

1-2pm Year 4 Cricket

2-3pm Year 3 Cricket

3:30-4:30pm- KS2 Cricket Club

THURSDAY 11TH

3pm Key Stage Worship

2:45pm Year 4 Clarinet Concert-
school only

FRIDAY 12TH

2:45pm Celebration Assembly

CHRISTMAS LUNCH & JUMPER DAY

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

(Week beginning 24th November)

SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET: 96.4%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 96.4%

Reception: 95%

Year 1: 96.3%

Year 2: 98%

Year 3: 96.1%

Year 4: 95.9%

Year 5: 99.3%

Year 6: 97%

Christmas Diary Dates

Monday 15th

- 9:30am Reception Nativity- dress rehearsal
- 1:30pm KS1 Party

Tuesday 16th

- 10am Reception Nativity @ Church
- Year 3/4 Party

Wednesday 17th

- Year 5/6 Party

Thursday 18th

- Christmas Worship @ Church- families welcome

Friday 19th

- Talent Show



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Year 5/6 Gymnastics

On Tuesday, our gymnastics team from year 5 and 6 took part in the Preston Schools' competition at Longridge Gymnastics Club.

The standard was extremely high with children needing to learn a complex routine as well as performing on the vault. We are so proud of the team, achieving an amazing 4th place together. Well done to Quinn, Lily, Olivia, Evie, Elise, Sophie, Ben and Oliver.

An extra mention for Quinn T, who scored the highest score and thus finishing in 1st place of all girls who competed, and to Ben W, who finished in 2nd place of all boys who competed. A fantastic achievement by all.



CINDERELLA OF CLITHEROE CASTLE

On Wednesday we travelled on four coaches to The Grand theatre in Clitheroe. As each year, the performance was just for us!

The children represented school superbly, enjoying the show...and the refreshments!

I would like to thank all volunteers for giving up their time to help make this visit possible as without you, it wouldn't be. Thank you all too for ensuring your child/ren were at school between 8:30-8:45am.

The plan is to book a morning performance next year!



MATHLETICS

Scores for: 17.11.25—23.11.25

Children scoring 1000+ points:

1st place: year 5	17 children
2nd place: year 3	13 children
3rd place: year 6	11 children
4 th place: year 4	8 children
5 th place: year 1	7 children
5 th place: reception	7 children
5 th place: year 2	7 children

Keeping children safe
is everyone's
responsibility



FOOTBALL

Last Thursday (27th November), our school football team played their fifth and final league fixture. We played well against a spirited St Bernard's side and took an early lead. St Bernard's came back to equalise and had some chances to take the lead. We had further chances of our own and took two to make it 3-1 to us at the final whistle. We finished our season with a respectable 9 points and a 3rd place finish. Well done to the team: Rory B, Thomas G, Shaan S, Henry B, Jake M, Leo C, Ollie B, William L and Seth G

ATHLETICS

On Friday 28th November, we took a team of 27 athletes to an indoor Sports Hall competition. In the morning, our team competed in field events including throwing and jumping events. The afternoon was all about the races. We competed well across all disciplines with a few 2nd and 3rd fastest times and performances. We finished 11th out of 20 schools which was a fantastic result and most importantly, all the team had the opportunity to represent school, support each other, be active and have fun! Well done to:

Quinn T, Evie G-P, Olivia H, Lily H, Eilee S, Sienna G, Tilly M, Savannah A-R, Charlotte B, Thomas G, Rory B, Harry M, Archie F, Oscar H, Elijah H, Adam D, Zak J, Ben W, Matilda B, Ruby C, Ollie B, Leo C, Caleb C, Brook W, Elise T, Mia P and Shaan S



WORSHIP this week...



Our Action Prayer: Count Down! Be Here! or Be There! on our mouth.
In Advent we think about the hope that Jesus brings from the past, now and in the future.

Dear Jesus,
Thank You for coming to live with us a long time ago.
Thank You for bringing hope to us today and for giving us hope for tomorrow.
Please help us to walk with You every day.
Show us how to share Your love, peace, and hope with everyone around us, just like You did when You were here on earth.

Amen

We listened to the story of Isaiah,
'Pictures of a Coming King.'

*For unto us a child is born...
his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor,
THE MIGHTY GOD
THE EVERLASTING FATHER,
The Prince of Peace
ISAIAH 9:6*

Bishop Joe explained the story to us:



Advent

- Do you have an Advent Calendar that helps you count down to Christmas?
- Waiting for Christmas can be hard for us.
- There's so much to look forward to and it seems to take forever to get to Christmas ... 25 whole days.
- Imagine waiting hundreds of years for Christmas.

That's what happened before Jesus was born.

- God promised He would send a special king.
- He used special messengers, called prophets, to do this.
- Every Advent we read about them.
- The prophets help us to wait for Jesus to come.

What's your favourite picture from the story?

Bishop Jo's is
'Jesus is the light in the darkness.'

Did you know that Jesus was talked about hundreds of years before He was born?

Sustainability News

Following their idea to run their festive competition, Eco Council have been thrilled to see so many sustainable home-made Christmas decorations on our classroom Christmas trees. They have loved seeing how something that may have been destined for the bin has had a new life with a festive twist!

The response has been amazing and every decoration is unique and thoughtfully designed. Eco Council will be judging on Monday, so if your child would like to create a last minute entry over the weekend they will still be welcome to enter the competition.

Decorations will be returned home at the end of term and can continue to spread their festive joy on your own Christmas trees.

Thank you for the red, gold and green items for the school stall at the Christmas Fair

We are looking forward to seeing you

1pm

Saturday 6th December

Grimstargh St Michael's C of E Primary School

