



Date: **Friday 2nd October**

Issue: **#04**

“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 Coupe) – **Lily A**
Year 1 (Miss Threlfall) – **Barnaby P**
Year 2 (Miss Morne) – **Martha C**
Year 3 (Miss Reeve) – **Sienna B**
Year 4 (Mrs Wilkinson) – **Harry C**
Year 5 (Mrs Todd) – **Nes C**
Year 6 (Mrs Livesey) – **Amelia A**

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

(Week beginning 21st September)
SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET: 96.4%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 98.8%

Reception: 99.3%
Year 1: 99%
Year 2: 99.3%
Year 3: 99.3%
Year 4: 100%
Year 5: 97.5%
Year 6: 97.8%

Diary Dates

MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

- 9:30am **HARVEST SERVICE** in Church – families welcome.
- 10am Girls' Football Competition
- 3:30pm **Harold Slater Shield** Cup match V St Clare's (4pm kick off)

TUESDAY 6TH

- 3pm KS1 Worship
- 8:45am Year 4 swimming
- 1-3pm **BOOK BUS** visit

WEDNESDAY 7TH

- 3pm KS2 Worship

THURSDAY 8TH

- 3pm Songs of Praise
- 9:30am **H2O Every Drop** Counts Presentation
- 3:30pm **FOOTBALL League** Fixtures (4pm/ 4:40pm/ 5pm)

FRIDAY 9TH

- **WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**
- 2:45PM CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

SHOW ROUNDS

Starting Reception in September 2027?

We'd love to meet you! Come and have a look around our wonderful school, guided by our Head Boy, Head Girl and their deputies, who are excited to share what makes our school so special.

We have the following dates and times available:

- **Monday 12th October: 1:30pm**
- **Thursday 15th October: 9:30am, & 1:30pm**

Please contact our school office (01772 653600) to book a time.

YOUNGMINDS

Hello Yellow



Dear Parents/Carers,

We will be taking part, with thousands of schools, wearing yellow this World Mental Health Day to show young people that they're not alone with their mental health.

Because we stand brighter, together.
WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY



Your child can wear an item of yellow clothing/a yellow accessory alongside their school uniform on Friday 9th October.



WORSHIP this week...



Collective Worship

St Michael's Day Worship

This week, we were delighted to celebrate St Michael's Day together as a school community. Led by Reverend Andy and the pupils, we reflected on how we can follow the example of St Michael through acts of courage, kindness and service to others. Through our spirituality model, children considered how they can nurture positive relationships with God, themselves, others and the wider world.

This worship reflected our vision at Grimsargh St Michael's, encouraging every child to flourish, let their light shine and make a positive difference within our community.

We were delighted to welcome parents and carers to join us for this special celebration and thank them for their support.

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:16

Dear God,
thank you for St Michael and for all those who guide, protect and support us.

Help us to shine our light through kindness, courage and service to others.

Amen.

Key Stage Worship: The Rebellion in the Wilderness

In our Key Stage Worship, pupils explored the story of the Israelites in the wilderness and considered how easy it can be to focus on difficulties rather than God's blessings.

Using our Window, Mirror, Doors and Candles approach, children reflected on trust, gratitude and God's faithfulness. This linked closely to our vision at Grimsargh St Michael's, encouraging pupils to develop thankful hearts and recognise the many opportunities they have to flourish.

As a response, pupils created Thankful Leaves for our Prayer Tree, reminding us to pause, reflect and give thanks for the gifts in our lives.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."

Psalms 107:1

Dear God,
thank you for your faithfulness and for the many blessings you give us each day.
Help us to be grateful, trusting and kind, remembering all the things that help us to grow and flourish.
Amen.

HARVEST



HARVEST FESTIVAL IN CHURCH
SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER AT 10:00AM

SCHOOL HARVEST WORSHIP IN CHURCH
MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER AT 9:30AM

AS WE CELEBRATE HARVEST, WE INVITE YOU TO CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION TO SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED WITHIN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY. IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER WITH A DONATION FOR THE SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK.

WE WOULD GRATEFULLY RECEIVE:
FOOD IN JARS, TINS OR PACKETS
FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL DONATIONS ARE NUT-FREE DUE TO ALLERGIES IN SCHOOL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY. YOUR SUPPORT WILL HELP MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE TO LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING PARENTS AND CARERS TO OUR HARVEST WORSHIP.



Dear God,

Help us to look through our windows,
to notice the wonder in the world around us,
the things that make us say "wow"
and the things that make us ask questions.

Help us to look into our mirrors,
to think about what we have seen, heard and experienced,

and to learn more about ourselves and others.

Open doors for us,
so that we may be brave enough to make a difference,
show kindness and use our gifts to help those around us.

May our candles shine brightly,
living out our school vision each day
and encouraging others to let their light shine too.

Amen.



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MATHLETICS

Scores for: 21.9.26—27.9.26

Children scoring 1000+ points:

1 st place: year 6	20 children
2 nd place: year 4	14 children
3 rd place: year 1	12 children
4 th place: year 5	11 children
5 th place: year 2	10 children
6 th place: year 3	9 children

*Reception to start in December



SAFEGUARDING



Online Safety and Safeguarding

Keeping children safe online is a key priority for our school. As part of our safeguarding arrangements, we use Securus, an online safety system used by many schools across the UK. The system helps our safeguarding team identify any potential concerns when pupils are using school technology, allowing us to offer support and take action where needed.

Using Securus is just one of the ways we help children learn how to use technology safely, responsibly and confidently. We are committed to creating a safe online environment and ensuring that the wellbeing of all our pupils remains at the heart of everything we do.

SCHOOL COUNCILS

Congratulations to all of the children who were selected to represent their classmates on our School Council, Eco Council and Sports Council this year.

We are incredibly proud of everyone who put themselves forward for these important leadership roles.

The School Council, led by Mrs Livesey, will help ensure that pupil voice plays a key role in shaping our school. Our Eco Council, led by Miss Threlfall, will champion environmental projects and encourage us all to care for God's world, while our Sports Council, led by Mr Johns, will promote healthy, active lifestyles and help develop sporting opportunities across the school.

We look forward to seeing our pupil leaders make a positive difference and contribute to the continued development of our school community throughout the year.



Hockey Fixtures Report

Our school hockey team showed tremendous determination and resilience in a challenging afternoon of matches against strong opposition.

The team began the fixtures against Queen's Drive. Despite working hard throughout the game and creating several good opportunities, we were beaten 3-1. The highlight for our team came when Jake scored an excellent goal, giving us something to celebrate against a well-organised Queen's Drive side.

In our second match, we faced St Anthony's in a thrilling encounter. The team showed excellent teamwork, passing and defensive effort.

Goals from Theo and Jake put us in a strong position, but St Anthony's battled back and scored an equaliser in the dying seconds of the match, resulting in a 2-2 draw. Although it was disappointing to concede so late, the players should be very proud of their performance and never-give-up attitude.

Our final game was against Sherwood. The players continued to work hard and showed great commitment, but Sherwood proved difficult to break down and ran out 3-0 winners. Despite the result, our team remained positive and supported one another until the final whistle. Overall, while the results did not go our way, the players represented the school brilliantly with their effort, sportsmanship and teamwork throughout the tournament.

Well done to: Elise T, Jocelyn G, Primrose C, Brooklyn A-R, Jake M, Theo L, Ben G, Finn W, Otto H and Hamish R

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FOOTBALL-KIDS' CUP



A huge well done to all of the children who represented the school at the recent football tournament. We entered two teams, with one competing in the Kids' Cup knockout competition and the other playing in a league format.

Our Kids' Cup team produced a number of determined performances throughout the group stages. We began with a match against a strong St Mary and St Andrew's side and despite battling hard, succumbed to a 2-0 defeat before narrowly losing 0-1 to St Andrew's in our second match. Our team then showed great resilience to earn a 0-0 draw against Our Lady St Edward's and finished the group stage on a high with a deserved 1-0 victory over Broughton, thanks to a well-taken goal from Ollie B. Our performances were enough to secure progression to the quarter-finals, where we faced a strong and resilient Queen's Drive side. Despite battling hard throughout the match and creating opportunities of our own, our team were narrowly defeated 1-0, bringing our tournament run to an end. Our team should be extremely proud of the effort, teamwork and determination shown throughout the competition.

Our second team competed in the league format and also represented the school superbly. They played several excellent matches, recording a number of victories, a draw and just one defeat across the competition. Their consistent performances saw them finish as runners-up in their league, an outstanding achievement against strong opposition.

Both teams demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship, commitment and teamwork throughout the tournament. They represented the school brilliantly and should be proud of their achievements. Congratulations to everyone involved on a successful day of football. We look forward to seeing the teams continue to develop and enjoy their football throughout the season.

Well done to: (Kids Cup team) – Ollie B, Oliver B, William L, Freddie W, Hugo H, Henry B and Caleb C. (League team) – Kieran C, Luca B, Seth G, Aiden H, Max R, George C, Leo C

PTFA Colour Run

What a wonderful evening we shared at our PTFA Colour Run last Friday! It was heartwarming to see so many members of our school community come together, including pupils, parents, grandparents, staff and even former pupils. The smiles, laughter and clouds of colour made for a truly memorable event and perfectly reflected the special family atmosphere that makes our school such a wonderful place to be.

A huge thank you to RAW Fitness for creating such a fantastic atmosphere and leading everyone in an energetic warm-up before the event. We are also incredibly grateful to our amazing PTFA, led by Deb Jacques, whose hard work, enthusiasm and willingness to give up their time made the evening possible. Thanks to the generosity of those who attended and supported the event, more than £1,000 was raised for our school. Every penny will go directly towards enhancing opportunities and experiences for our children. Thank you to everyone who took part, volunteered or cheered from the sidelines. Your support continues to make a real difference to our school community.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

APPLY NOW!
at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2026 and 31 August 2027.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

School transport



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



CLOSING DATE
15 January 2027

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