



St Mark's Newsletter

So in everything, do to others as you would have them do to you'
Matthew 7:12

Head teacher's Awards

This is an award that is presented during the Friday Whole School Assembly for children that have given that 'little bit extra' during the week. This can be in any area, schoolwork, attitude etc

17/04/2026

Headteacher's Award

Harley Neriyah

Writers of the Week

Chinny Henry

Mathematicians of the Week

Mason Alice F

Readers of the Week

Frankie Daniel

Team of the Week **RED**

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Spring Term Effort Awards

Effort awards were presented in church on Friday 27 March to the following pupils.

Reception Kurtis

Year 1 Harley

Year 2 Carter

Year 3 Daisy

Year 4 Ray

Year 5 Alice WL

Year 6 Okwaning

Congratulations everyone.

Attendance Awards

Bronze Certificate - 100 % attendance for one term was given to Mason, Harley, Florence, Evie and Caleb.

Silver Certificate - 100% attendance for two terms was given to Georgiana, Oscar, Rose JH, Henry, Daisy, Alice WL, Rose WL and Neriyah.

Well done everyone.

Welcome to the latest newsletter with a quick update since our last one.

Spring Term 2026 Assessment Reports

All pupils have been given their Spring Term 2026 assessment and attendance reports. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the reports with the class teacher or myself, please contact Mrs Oliver in the school office to make arrangements. Consultations can be face-to-face or over the telephone.

If you wish to speak with a member of staff, please call the office to make an appointment.
Thanks

School Photographs

Class photographs will take place on Thursday 4 June 2026 at 9am. The format of the photographs will be -

1. Reception as a group
2. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 as a group
3. Year 6 as a group
4. Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 as a group

Assembly Themes

The themes for the first half of the Summer Term 2026 are as follows -

Week commencing	Theme
April 13	Relationships
April 20	The Bible
April 27	Communication
May 4	Health
May 11	Growing
May 18	Caring for the Environment

The Royal Cheshire County Show

The Royal Cheshire County Show is running a competition for children to raise money for the Christie Hospital, Manchester. Joanne (Harvey's mum) has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the event. Children can enter a photograph drawing or painting of any poultry related subject for £1 per exhibit. Children need their name and school on each entry. Return all entries to school or pass directly to Joanne. Joanne will need all entries no later than 29 May 2026. Results of the competition will be shared on 16 June 2026. For more details, speak to Joanne who will be available on the playground at the end of each school day.

Easter Raffle

A huge thank you to Jenny (Clayton's mum) for organising an Easter raffle. A total of £53 was raised and will be used towards the cost of the planned educational visits for the children. Thank you for your continued support.

Free School Meal Vouchers

We have been advised to inform recipients of free school meal vouchers that the Easter vouchers were the final ones due to national government changes. New payments will be made by West Lancashire Borough Council to those who need it for future holidays and all year round. The details of future support will be made available ahead of the May half-term.

Diary Dates

April	
24	Church Service 2.30pm
May	
4	May Day - school closed
5	'Mini Police' course Years 5 and 6 (pm)
7	Visual Screening Reception Pupils
11	'Mini Police' course Years 5 and 6 (pm)
11-14	Key Stage 2 SAT's
14	'Mini Police' course Years 5 and 6 (pm)
19	Governors Curriculum meeting 5pm Governors Resources meeting 6pm
20	Class 2 educational visit- details to follow

Friday Toast

If you would like to donate towards the cost of the toast for the pupils on a Friday breaktime it would be greatly appreciated. Please could any donations be given to Mrs Oliver in the school office. Thank you for your support.

Attendance

Please can I remind you that the minimum level of attendance for this school is 96%. Our target is to achieve better than this because we know that good attendance is the key to successful schooling and we believe our pupils can be amongst the best in the area.

Our current attendance is 96.7%.

Class 1	96.8%
Class 2	96.6%

Well done to Class 1!

Church Assemblies

These will take place on a Friday as follows -

24 April at 2.30pm
26 June at 2.30pm
End of term - Friday 17 July at 9am

Reverend Eileen Heaney will be leading our Church Assemblies. All are warmly welcome to attend.

22	Pupil School Council meeting 12 noon
25-29	School closed for half-term break
June	
1 - 2	INSET Days
3	School reopens
3-5	Multiplications table check for year 4 pupils
4	Group photographs 9am
8	Phonic Screening Check Year 1
10	House Team Meeting
12	Sports Fun Afternoon 1.30pm (weather permitting)
18	Life Education PSHE Workshops
19	Sports Fun Afternoon 1.30pm (reserve date)
24	Careers afternoon
25	Careers afternoon
26	Church Service 2.30pm
July	
1	Class 1 Educational visit to Blackpool Zoo
3	Pupil School Council meeting 12 noon
8	Full Governors Meeting 6pm
9	Parents End of Term Reports Consultation Evening 3.30pm - 7pm

If you would like to have any other information included in the school newsletter, please do not hesitate to let us know

Marilyn Freeman