



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Families,

Please take a look at all of our learning across the school in this recent newsletter. The children have settled into their new classes this month and are working hard towards their own personal goals and targets. You will see in the Newsletter that The Classroom Under the Sky is being utilised fully and we have had all weathers this month from glorious sunshine to rain and then wonderful rainbows appearing.

The children are all learning and applying Calm School Code and are working hard to earn team point tokens for following our four values Act Kindly, Listen Carefully, Speak Nicely and Move Sensibly. These are definitely behaviours that are easy to follow and will support the pupils as they move through their life. It is encouraging that so many of our families do hold these values and teach their children to follow the school rules.

We are very proud that as a school we have been awarded The School Games Platinum Award for PE in schools. This is great achievement for our school. Thank you to Miss Parkinson and Mrs Burnett for all your hard work with this award. We have achieved this as we as a school has achieved four consecutive gold awards and have met the standard for this year's gold award. Well done to everybody!

Please enjoy the newsletter and we look forward to Parents Evenings in October where you can meet the class teachers and look at the children's progress. These parent sessions are time limited to ensure that all parents are seen. The session will be quick, but if staff require a longer discussion with you, they will organise another appointment at a mutually convenient time. This year you will also receive a progress report in January for the Autumn term. Pupils will be assessed each term and parents will be informed and expected to support their child's learning the best way possible. Parents will also be informed of behaviour for learning and effort grades for their child.

We are really grateful to all the families that have donated their time to help us with the Aspiration day over the past two years. This year we are wanting the children to learn all about successful people from East Lancashire showcasing their skills and how they have been successful. If you are someone, or you know someone who can help please contact Mrs Bradley. Last year the children had a really good day and enjoyed the visitors and virtual visitors such as BBC Jordan North raising the children's aspirations. We want a variety of professions and successes to be shared.

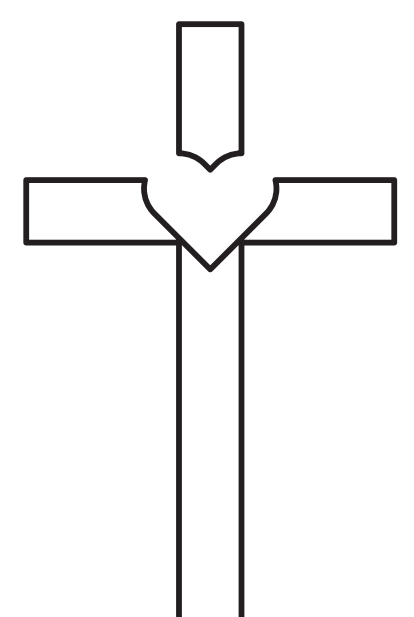
Mrs Dugdale.

Worship

This year in collective worship, we are learning all about God's Big Story. Each week we are going to be introduced to a theme and a guest storyteller from Blackburn Diocese Board of Education.

This month we are learning all about:

- **God's Big Story**
- **In The Beginning - Creation**
- **Jesus is Baptized - Gospel**





Class Worship

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to watch Oak Class' Worship this week. We hope you enjoyed it!

We have scheduled our class worships for the upcoming year. Please see below for the date/time of your child's class.

Hawthorn Class - Thursday 19th October @ 9.15am

Sycamore Class - Thursday 23rd November @ 9.15am

Rowan Class - Thursday 25th January @ 9.15am

Hazel Class - Thursday 28th February @ 9.15am

Willow Class - Thursday 21st March @ 9.15am

Beech Class - Thursday 9th May @ 9.15am

Elm Class - Thursday 23rd May @ 9.15am

Ash Class - Thursday 27th June @ 9.15am



School Lottery

Please sign up to the lottery and help our school.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>





Classroom Under the Sky

Over the last 4 weeks, Oak Class, Hawthorn Class and Sycamore Class have been introduced to our 'Classroom Under the Sky'. We are linking the Forest School programme to our PSHE unit 'Being My Best'. We have been exploring what 'learning' means and how it can look different to our usual classroom environment. Children have shown great enthusiasm towards all activities in Forest School, and they haven't been phased by the torrential rain! We have been working hard on building up resilience, by accepting challenges and making mistakes.

Have a look at some photographs of the Forest School challenges we've completed this month. The activities have included: den and shelter building in teams, using flint and steels to light a fire, blindfold challenges, tree-climbing, learning in our outdoor classroom, wood chopping with sheath knives, campfire cooking (apple crumble!) and hot chocolate drinking!

We are looking forward to continuing our Forest School journey.





Classroom Under the Sky





Bonkers for Conkers!

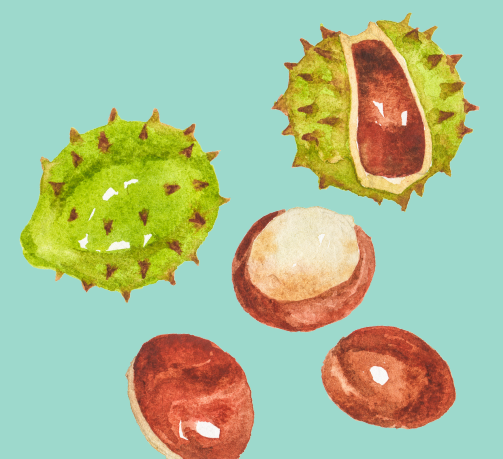
This Autumn St James' are going 'Bonkers for Conkers' again as part of our Butterfly Moments.

We have started to see some conkers appearing on the ground. Please collect these if you are out and about.

The St James' Conker Competition will take place during the last week of the half term. If you would like your child to take part in this, please send their conkers into school on the last week of half term, already drilled with string/lace attached.

Conkers will also be used for arts and crafts during this week.

More information will be sent out about this in the coming weeks.





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C of E (VA) Primary School

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Open Mornings

Please see attached our open mornings for prospective parents.



**St James' Lanehead Primary
School**



Open Mornings 2023

| October | November |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Wednesday 4th @ 9.30am | Wednesday 1st @ 9.30am |
| Tuesday 10th @ 9.30am | Tuesday 7th @ 9.30am |
| Wednesday 18th @ 9.30am | Tuesday 14th @ 9.30am |
| | Tuesday 21st @ 9.30am |
| | Wednesday 29th @ 9.30am |

**Please call the school office on
01282 426833 to book.**

The deadline for primary school admissions is
15th January 2024





Governing Board

Let us introduce you to our Governing Board:

Janet Hartley—Chair of Governing Board

Ryan Catlow —Vice Chair of Governing Board and Parent Governor

Michelle Dugdale—Ex-Officio Governor/Headteacher

Anna Dickinson—Parent Governor

Ryan Catlow— Parent Governor

Clare Madbouli—Foundation Governor

Russel Hawkes - Foundation Governor

Kathryn Ellidge—Foundation Governor

Barbara Hanson—Foundation Governor

Naomi Healey—Foundation Governor

Christopher Holdsworth—Foundation Governor

Lucy Hargreaves—Staff Governor

We will post a little message from a Governor every month to help you get to know them.

MEET OUR GOVERNORS

Ryan Catlow

Vice Chair of Governors



I am a parent governor and Vice Chair of Governors. As well as being a member of the Governing Board I am also a member of the Resources Committee and have the role of Training Link Governor.

I have worked for the NHS for over 19 years with the last 8 years being in senior leadership roles supporting the local NHS in delivering the absolute best services to its patients.

I have two children, my daughter previously attended St James' Lanehead before moving to high school, and my son is currently in Year 5.

I became a governor to support St James' in its continual improvement and in delivering the best for its pupils and staff.

In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my family and friends and walking.

Dawn to Dusk

The Dawn to Dusk childcare facility is available before and after school should you require it. Your child must be registered to start. If you need a registration pack, please collect one from the school office.

Before school: From 7.00am

After school: Until 5.30pm



Late Collection-

School closes at 3.30pm and children must be collected at this time.

Dawn to Dusk is at full capacity with registered children and cannot take late collections.

If children are repeatedly collected late, this is considered a safeguarding risk and further action may be taken.



Upcoming Events



Wednesday 4th October

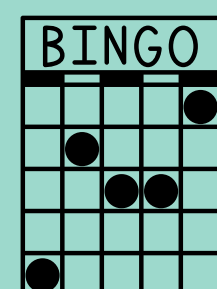
Open Morning @ 9.30am



Thursday 5th October

Bingo Night @ 6.00pm

SOLD OUT



Friday 6th October

Family Friday - Grandparents Day

HAPPY
GRANDPARENTS
DAY

Tuesday 10th October

Open Morning @ 9.30am

Wednesday 11th October

Parents Evening 1 of 2

Friday 13th October

Flu Vaccination Day

KS1 Family Friday - Read Write Inc



Wednesday 18th October

Open Morning @ 9.30am

Parents Evening 2 of 2

Thursday 19th October

Hawthorn Class Worship @ 9.15am



Friday 20th October

School Closes at 3.30pm



Church Events

harvest



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

10.30 a.m.

Sunday 8th October 2023

Haggate Baptist Church
Burnley Road, Briercliffe

For more information
contact Brian on 07463629039



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St James' Church
Briercliffe

St James' Church are holding their Harvest service on

Sunday 15th October at 10.00am.

The Bishop of Blackburn will be in attendance to preside and preach.
All families are welcome.



Parents Evening

Parents Evening is taking place on both Wednesday 11th and
Wednesday 18th October.



Appointments are live on the school spider app for you to
book.



Term Dates 2023/2024



School Term & Holiday Patterns 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

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| INSET (Closed to Pupils) | Friday 1 st September 2023 |
| Re-open to pupils | Monday 4 th September 2023 |
| Mid Term Closure | Monday 23 rd to Friday 27 th October (inclusive) |
| INSET (Closed to Pupils) | Monday 30 th October 2023 |
| Re-open to Pupils | Tuesday 31 st October 2023 |
| Closure after school | Thursday 21 st December 2023 |
| INSET (Closed to Pupils) | Friday 22 nd December 2023 |

Spring Term 2024

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| Re-open to pupils | Monday 8 th January 2024 |
| Mid Term Closure | Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February 2024 (inclusive) |
| Closure after school | Wednesday 27 th March 2024 |
| INSET (Closed to Pupils) | Thursday 28 th March 2024 |

Summer Term 2024

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| Re-open to pupils | Monday 15 th April 2024 |
| Polling Day | Thursday 2 nd May 2024 (REMOTE LEARNING) |
| May Day Closure | Monday 6 th May 2024 |
| Mid Term Closure | Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May 2024 (inclusive) |
| Closure after school | Friday 19 th July 2024 |
| INSET (Closed to Pupils) | Monday 22 nd July 2024 |



School Uniform

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The school colours are navy and grey and the uniform is outlined below. We expect all our children to wear uniform. Clothing with our school logo on is available from Pendle Village Mill (other outlets may be available). Alternatively parents can purchase plain items in school colours from a range of supermarkets and department stores.

On the days your child has Physical Education, please send them to school in their P.E kit.

- **Boys:**
 - Navy blue school sweatshirt or V-necked jumper
 - Pale blue / white shirt, grey shorts or trousers
 - Black shoes, school tie (optional)
- PE:** Navy tracksuit/ navy shorts, white t-shirt, outdoor trainers.
- Swimming:** (Juniors) Trunks and a towel

- **Girls**
 - Navy blue school sweatshirt, cardigan or V-necked jumper
 - Pale blue/white blouse, grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers
 - Checked dress in Summer term
 - Black shoes, school tie (optional)
- PE:** Navy tracksuit/ navy leggings/ navy shorts, white t-shirt
- Swimming:** (Juniors) One piece costume, cap for long hair and towel

Please ensure that **ALL** clothing is clearly labelled

Hair should be tidy, long hairstyles for all children should be tied back or plaited. Hair gel and sprays are not allowed.

The wearing of jewellery, including watches, is not allowed.

