

## Eccleston St Mary's C of E Primary School

Newsletter 5 4th October 2024

# **SCHOOL NEWS**

Our Motto: Believe & Achieve

Our Mission Statement: Through Jesus we love, learn and grow

## Prayer

Today is the feast day of St Francis of Assisi

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the example of St. Francis of Assisi, who showed us how to love and care for all of creation. Help us to be kind, gentle, and humble, just as he was. Teach us to see the good in every person we meet, and to be peacemakers in our school and with our friends. Help us to care for the earth, the animals, and all that you have created. Amen.



Nursery	Aspyn	
Reception	Brodie	Ellie
Year One	Elijah	Neve
Year Two	Charlotte	Jackson
Year Three	Bobby	Peter
Year Four	Hannah	Cassidy
Year Five	Isla	Macauley
Year Six	Thomas T	Freddie

WINNING HOUSE THIS WEEK

YARROW

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'I came to give life - life in all its fullness.'

John 10:10

## **Little Explorers**

Little Explorers have enjoyed reading 'Handa's Surprise' this week. They had fun exploring, chopping and tasting different fruits from the story and making their own fruit kebabs for afternoon snack.



#### Year 4

As part of their Geography topic about North America, Year 4 have been exploring the landmarks of New York City using Google Earth's "street view".







Year 4 also spent a creative time in Forest School this week, making their own artwork inspired by Andy Goldsworthy. The ideas - including using berry juice as a glue - as well as the teamwork, were truly fantastic. Well done, Year 4!







#### **Rosh Hashanah**

On Thursday, the whole school learned about the Jewish Festival of Rosh Hashanah which has been celebrated by Jewish families across the world this week.



Classes took time to find out about the traditions which form part of the

celebration and look further into the symbolic meaning behind prayers said during Rosh Hashanah. There were some super questions asked and explanations offered in all classes.



#### **SODA-Year 5**

Year 5 had a fantastic SODA morning today. They embraced some tricky maths challenges and, with some perseverance from the parents and pupils, they managed to solve them!

Thank you so much to everyone who joined us!









#### Harvest

Thank you so much to all the family and friends who joined us for our Harvest Celebration lastt week and to all of you who donated Harvest gifts.

Your kind donations will be shared between the Chorley Homeless and St Laurence's Foodbank.



## **School Photographer**

The school photographer will be in on Tuesday 22nd October to take individual and family photos. Pupils with siblings not in school are welcome to come in from 8.30am to have their family photographs taken.



## **Upcoming Dates**

Tuesday 8th October	3.30pm	PTFA AGM (Please Join Us)
Wednesday 9th October	8.30am	Y5&Y6 Trip to Westholme School
Thursday 10th October	4.30—6 pm	School Open Evening
Friday 11th October	9.00am	Start of the Day Activity—Y4 (Please Join Us)
Monday 14th October	All day	Y3 Trip to Bring yer Wellies
Friday 18th October	9.00am	Start of the Day Activity—Y3 (Please Join Us)
Monday 21st October	2pm-7pm	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 22nd October	All Day	School Photographs
Wednesday 23rd October	1.00pm	Fire Safety Talks Y2
Thursday 24th October	2.00pm	Celebration Assembly (Please join us)

#### School closes for pupils for half-term on Thursday 24th October (Staff INSET day—Friday 25th October)

## **Sports and Social Clubs**

Monday	Guitar Lessons KS2	Lunchtime
Tuesday	Futsal After School Club	3.20-4.20pm
Tuesday	Choir	3.20-4.15pm
Wednesday	Spanish Club-All Years	8.00-8.45am
Wednesday	Judo Club-KS2	8.00-8.45am
Thursday	Girls Football After School Club	3.20-4.20pm
Friday	Brass Club	3.20-4.15pm

#### **Mrs Jones**

As many of you will know, Mrs Jones has now left St. Mary's to pursue a new career with Lancashire Police.

We would like to thank her for all her hard work over the years—as a student teacher in Y4, a fully-fledged teacher in both KS1 and KS2 and, finally, as the welcoming face of St. Mary's in the school office.

Goodbye, Mrs Jones—we wish you the very best of luck as you begin your next big adventure.



#### Parents Evening

Parents' Evening is on Monday 21st October 2-7pm.

Appointments will go live to book on Tuesday 8th October at 6.00pm.

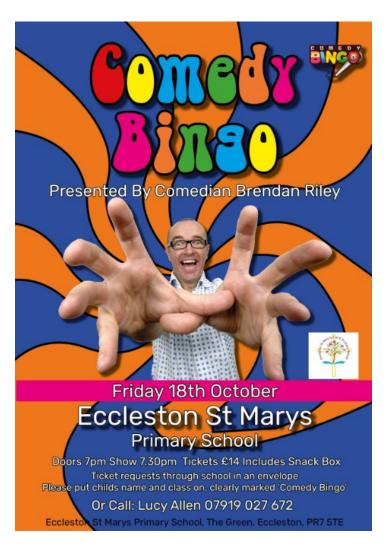


### Lunchtime Welfare Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime welfare assistant.

If you or someone you know would like to be part of our friendly team, please phone or call into the school office for more information.







St Mary's School Open Days



You are warmly invited to visit our school on the following days:-

Thursday 10th October	4.30pm to 6.00pm
Friday 8th November	9.30am to 11.00am
Tuesday 3rd December	1.30pm to 3.00pm

The evening session (10th October) will be an opportunity to see the school environment and talk with staff and governors.

In addition, during the following two sessions (8th November and 3rd December) you will be able to visit each of our classrooms whilst lessons are in progress and speak, not only to staff, but to the pupils too.

Staff and governors will be on hand to guide you around and answer any queries you may have. Mrs Birchall, our headteacher, will also be available to speak to you should you have anything you wish to discuss.

We believe our school is a very special place where children are happy in their learning and have a full range of activities to enjoy.





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