



SCHOOL NEWS

Our Motto:

Believe & Achieve

Our Mission Statement:

Through Jesus we love, learn and grow

Prayer

This week's prayer continues to focus on Trust—our Christian Value for this half-term and references this morning's Worship story about Daniel in the Lions' Den.

Dear Lord,

Thank you that we are blessed when we put our trust in you.

Just as you sent an angel to protect Daniel from the lions, help us always to feel safe in the knowledge that you will be there to help and protect us whenever we feel worried, unsure or alone.

Amen

☆☆☆ SHINING STARS ☆☆☆

Nursery	Anna	Florence
Reception	Aurora	
Year One	Nyla	
Year Two	Freddie	
Year Three	Teddy A	Jenson
Year Four	Pippa	Reuben
Year Five	Lillia	Katie
Year Six	Anna	Thomas F.

WINNING HOUSE THIS WEEK
LOSTOCK & RIBBLE

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about our school

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

John 10:10

Little Explorers

On Monday Little Explorer' enjoyed a visit to the library.

They listened to some stories, made a craft and chose some books to bring back to school.



Invasion Games

On Thursday evening, some children from Year 4 attended the Invasion Games Festival with Chorley Sports Partnership. They enjoyed trying lots of different games including skills from football, netball, handball and hockey. Well done to Robert, Harry, Daniel, Penelope, Pippa, Oliver and Freddie for representing our school admirably. Although it wasn't a competition this time, they should all be proud of themselves for showing their skills and sportsmanship.

Go team St Mary's!



Mini First Aid

Year 1 really enjoyed their visit from Andrea at Mini First Aid! They learned how to put on a plaster safely, the importance of applying ice to a bumped head and what to do in an emergency. They practised calling 999 on pretend phones and putting somebody on their side if they are not responding. Well done Year 1!



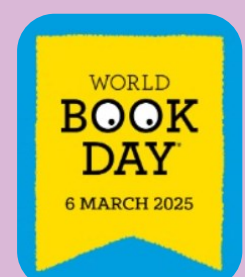
Year 3 also took part in this valuable and practical Mini First Aid Course. The children participated fully and with lots of interest. Thank you to Andrea who delivered the course and well done to everyone.



World Book Day

The theme for this year's world book day is bedtime stories.

Please come to school on the **6th March** wearing your pyjamas, onesies or dressing gowns.





RAINBOW SPRINKLE DONUTS

Will be for sale on Friday
14th February at 3.20pm in
the playground.

£1 each




PLEASE NOTE THESE DONUTS CONTAIN ALLERGENS INCLUDING WHEAT, SOYA, DAIRY.
Prepared in open kitchen so cannot guarantee suitability for people with allergies



GIRLS! Want to try Rugby League?

We at Chorley Panthers are hosting open training sessions for school years 5, 6, 7 & 8. Our club along with support from the RFL & various Womens Super League teams are looking to promote girls rugby league in our local area.

Spread the word because the Pink Panthers are back!


Our first session is Saturday 15th February 10:00-11:00 @ Panther Park

If you're interested, or have any more questions please email play-for-us@chorley-panthers.co.uk for more details



Lunchtime Welfare Vacancy


We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime welfare assistant. If you would like to be part of our friendly team, please phone or call into the school office for more information. Thank you.




LIVE

PARENT/CARER WEBINAR

'KNOW YOURSELF, GROW YOURSELF'



Children's Mental Health Week is in February and this years theme is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself.'



Join our webinar designed to empower parents and carers! Discover tools to help children and young people build self-awareness, strengthen emotional resilience, and foster meaningful conversations about mental health and wellbeing.

When:

FEB  **Thursday 13th February, 6pm -7pm**

Join Our Webinar!

Our webinar is open to all young people and parents/carers of students who attend our allocated schools and colleges.

Register now using the link below or simply scan the QR Code to secure your spot!

<https://forms.office.com/e/NzqAgbP3bk>

To attend please sign up before 5.00pm Wednesday 12th February.



Compass BLOOM

CENTRAL & WEST LANCASHIRE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAMS

HELLO, WE'RE NEW HERE!

We support young people who struggle with:

- MILD TO MODERATE ANXIETY
- LOW MOOD: SADNESS. LOW MOTIVATION
- DIFFICULTY MANAGING EMOTIONS
- DIFFICULTY ADJUSTING TO CHANGE AND TRANSITION

MENTAL health MATTERS

COMPASS BLOOM IS NOW IN YOUR SCHOOL

WHO WE ARE

Compass Bloom are a Mental Health Support Team. We are an early intervention and prevention service. We support children with mild to moderate anxiety and low mood.

WHAT WE DO

- Assemblies about emotional wellbeing
- Small group emotional wellbeing workshops
- Parent/Carer advice and guidance bookable via this link [CLICK HERE](#) or visit: bit.ly/Parent_Carer_Consultation

COMING SOON


- 6 - 8 week 1:1 interventions for anxiety and low mood
- Referrals are taken via the Senior Mental Health Lead in your school


MORE INFORMATION


We will gradually be introducing our full offer over the next few months. For more information about our service, visit our website and follow us on social media.

compassbloom@compass-uk.org 01772 280123

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Upcoming Dates

Monday 10th February	1.05 pm	Wellbeing Champions training
Monday 10th February	5.30 pm	Full Governing Board
Tuesday 11th February	9.00am	Y2 Class Worship
Wednesday 12th February	All day	Maths in Motion 2—3xY6
Wednesday 12th February	1.05 pm	Wellbeing Champions training

**School Closes on Friday 14th February at 3.20pm for Half Term.
We re-open at 8.45am on Monday 24th February.**

Tuesday 25th February	9.05am	Open the Book
Wednesday 26th February	All Day	Viking Day Y5
Wednesday 26th February	9.00-10.30am	Y4 Worship at Church
Thursday 27th February	10.05am	Rainbow Hub Assembly
Thursday 6th March	All Day	World Book Day

Letters Home

Whole School—SIAMS Inspection Letter

Whole School—Donut Diner

Sports and Social Clubs

Monday	Guitar Lessons KS2	Lunchtime
Tuesday	Tri-Golf	3.20-4.20pm
Tuesday	Choir	3.20-4.15pm
Wednesday	Spanish Club-All Years	8.00-8.45am
Wednesday	Dance Rehearsals	3.20-4.15pm
Thursday	Girls Football	3.20-4.20pm
Friday	Brass Club	3.20-4.15pm



HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB!

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

ECCLESTON ST MARYS C.E PRIMARY SCHOOL

THE GREEN, ECCLESTON, CHORLEY, PR7 5TE

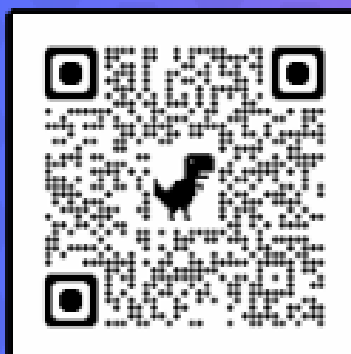
PRICE: £25 PER DAY OR £100 FOR FULL WEEK | 50% DISCOUNT FOR ANY EXTRA SIBLING

1 WEEK COURSE RUNNING FEBRUARY 17TH | 18TH | 19TH | 20TH | 21ST

TIMES: 8:30AM – 4:00PM

BOOK NOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE AT WWW.JMCOACHINGACADEMY.CO.UK

OR SCAN QR CODE BELOW



WHAT TO EXPECT

**MULTI SPORTS GAMES | FOOTBALL | GOLF
| HANDBALL | DODGEBALL | BASKETBALL |
FRISBEE | FUTSAL | NETBALL | ATHLETICS
GAMES | STRIKE & FIELD GAMES | CLASSIC
HOLIDAY CLUB GAMES | AND MUCH MORE**

**FURTHER INFO CONTACT
JORDAN: 07896030716**

@JMCOACHINGACADEMY



fun activities

Jellybeans

Jellybeans sessions for under 4s

songs

10am to 11am

stories

in the school hall at
Eccleston St. Mary's CE Primary School

Every Thursday

Children must be
accompanied by an adult

£2
per family

Refreshments
will be
served

Please share this information
with other families in the village.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

"Fake news" refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It's often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

"CLICKBAIT" PHISHING SCAMS

A message arrives saying "Have you seen this video of yourself?" or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that's been shared on social media. This kind of "bait" is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our "need-to-know" instinct.

SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS

Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don't miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it's legitimate.

YOU'RE A WINNER!

This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we've won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and suchlike. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there's something to be gained by doing so.

FALSE FRIENDSHIPS

Scammers often pretend to be someone they're not to gain their victims' trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they're a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

PANIC MODE

To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child's account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they're in trouble and need help.

FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called "business opportunities" or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies' social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

Advice for Parents & Educators

STAY INFORMED

Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people's digital lives: talk about what they're doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

TALK TOGETHER

Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they're unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don't pass judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Remember: adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM

Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that's to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid losing out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what's on offer sounds too good to be true.

BE PROACTIVE

Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don't wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, false information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they're aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).

Meet Our Expert

Dr Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading expert in digital safety, media law and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk for more.



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