



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Matt 22:1 - 14

The parable of the wedding banquet. Jesus reminds everyone that there is a place for them in Heaven if they lead good lives and follow God's commandments. If they do not, their place will be given to an other.



Gold Awards

Reception	Troy Platt - for taking great care whilst writing with his friends.
Year 1	Emrys Dowthwaite - for putting 100% into all of his work.
Year 2	Jade Bosanko - for trying really hard in all areas of learning this week. You have made such fantastic progress as a result.
Year 3	Maisie Southworth - for being a model pupil and for trying hard in every lesson.
Year 4	Aurora Llabjani - for excellent writing in English and great contributions to lessons, particularly RE.
Year 5	Orlagh Dwyer - for sowing good listening skills in class and contributing well in all lessons.
Year 6	Isabel Kenny - for producing a fantastic piece of narrative writing, including the majority of pour Bronze, Silver and Gold features.

Would you like to work at Alston Lane Catholic Primary School?

Beginning after the October half term holiday, we require a lunchtime welfare assistant to support the children in the hall and outside on the playground.

- 5 hours per week (12pm till 1pm)
- £8.45 per hour

Please call in for an application pack or download from the school website. Thank you.



School Buildings Fund contributions

Do you pay your school building fund contribution by standing order? If not, your payment may now be due. We ask for £20 per child per year to support the maintenance of the school building and future building projects.

Payment can be made through your ParentPay account. It will not show how much you are owing and may show previous payments. Alternatively cash and cheques will be accepted. If you are a tax payer we will also be able to claim the tax back on your contribution. Please contact the school office if you are not already registered for Gift aid.



Dates for the Diary - Autumn Term (Please watch for updates and additional dates)

Mon 16 Oct:	School Open Day - all welcome	Wed 29 Nov:	Govs' Full Meeting 6.30pm
Mon 16 Oct:	Govs' Curriculum meeting 6pm	Wed 6 Dec:	Y5 visit to Longridge High (half class)
Tues 24 Oct:	Year 5 final swimming lesson	Thurs 7 Dec:	Pantomime visit to Grand Theatre
Fri 27 Oct:	CLOSE for half term	Wed 13 Dec:	Christmas Lunch
Tues 31 Oct:	Secondary school applications close	Thurs 14 Dec:	Infant Nativity at 2pm and 6pm
Tues 7 Nov:	School Reopens	Mon 18 Dec:	Infant Christmas party pm
Tues 7 Nov:	Year 4 start swimming lessons	Mon 18 Dec:	Junior Carol Concert 6pm
Mon 13 Nov:	Govs' Finance meeting 6pm	Tues 19 Dec:	Junior Christmas party pm
Wed 29 Nov:	Y5 visit to Longridge High (half class)	Thurs 21 Dec:	9am Mass ... CLOSE at 3.30pm

Dear Parents

I would like to thank everyone who returned their Governors' Questionnaire. The Governors will be analysing the results on Monday evening before sharing the initial outcomes with you.

If you would like to work with the school's Governing Body, please complete the nomination form and return it to school by 12pm on 23rd October. This is a great opportunity to be involved in the development of the school, including its curriculum, staffing, finance and mission.

I look forward to working with the successful nominee.

M FitzGibbon



Current and future weekly dinner menus can be found on the school website homepage.

Dinner Money


Oct = £44.00

Nov = £39.60

Dec = £33.00



School Mass Dates

No Class Masses on 16th or 23rd October		Year 4 – 23 rd Nov 9am
Year 6 – 9 th Nov 9am		Year 3 – 30 th Nov 9am
Year 5 – 16 th Nov 9am		Whole School End of term – 21 st Dec 9am

Pantomime Visit: Thursday 7th December

The school's pantomime visit this year is to see Amy's Amazing Time Travelling



Adventure at the Grand Theatre Clitheroe.

This year we are asking for a parental contribution towards the cost of the Life Caravan and the pantomime visit together.

Parents are asked to pay a voluntary contribution of **£10** towards the cost of the visits. If you are unable to make this contribution, please contact the school. These visits are subsidised by the school fund. **Please log into ParentPay to make this payment.**

Please note that where there are insufficient contributions to make the visit viable, it will be cancelled.

APPLYING FOR SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

Places in primary or secondary school for September 2018 must be applied for via Lancashire's online system at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

The closing date for applications for September 2018 are at 11.59 pm on:

Secondary school applications—31 October 2017

Primary school applications—15 January 2018.





Aid to the Church in Need

October is a month when we pray to Mary, Jesus' holy mother. She is a special person whom we can pray to for our own and others' needs.

The world is a place of constant conflict and some countries remain war-torn after years of fighting. Some children in these countries have never known peace!

We have been learning about the holy rosary in school this term and every class has taken time to pray decades whilst thinking about the mysteries of Jesus' life as well as for their own intentions. We recently prayed together for the victims of the Las Vegas concert shooting.

Saint Pio of Pietrelcina once said, prophetically, "When a million children pray the Rosary, the world will change."

The Catholic charity, Aid to the Church in Need has taken up this challenge and each year, on the same day, children are asked to say the rosary and pray for a common goal. This year, we are asked to pray for peace.

On **18th October at 9am** we and others around the world will gather together and pray the holy rosary, for peace in the world!

Parents, parishioners and friends of the school are welcome to join us in the school hall to pray for peace.



Polite request for help

Please help us by donating any of the following items to school. Thank you.



The gardening club need old, brightly coloured wellies & spring bulbs so they can get planting. The wellies will be used to grow the bulbs, bringing spots of colour to the garden.

The Longridge cluster schools need lots of red wool to knit thousands of poppies for a Remembrance event next November. Can you help or even knit? Patterns available from the school office.



Can anyone donate their unwanted Lego to school?

This will help us start an after school Lego club. Thank you

Do you have a children's guitar that you could donate to the school to support children's lessons?

Thank you if you can.

