



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Matt 22:34 - 40

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.



Gold Awards

Reception	Ewan Billington for being able to explain he needed a 2 and a 3 numicon piece to make 5
Year 1	Delilah Meakin for fantastic contribution and effort in all lessons this week
Year 2	Katie Anderton for writing a fantastic fact sheet about Norman Castles
Year 3	Capri Airey for a fantastic chapter on The Witches, for using amazing vocabulary and paragraphs
Year 4	Ella Slinger for being enthusiastic, reliable and for handwriting. You have written a fantastic fantasy story too using lots of features from the targets. Well done!
Year 5	Isla Wilcock for working hard and writing a fabulous persuasive text about the UK
Year 6	Finley Markland for working amazingly well on our adding fractions and mixed numbers this week! You're a pro!

Dear Parents

I would like to thank the children and all of you for what has been a long but very productive autumn half term in school. It seems so long ago that the children returned after the summer break. They have worked tremendously hard for the past eight weeks and rightly deserve a restful and enjoyable week's holiday. As do the staff!

The Governors have been busy too, recruiting a new Year 5 teacher for after Christmas, when Mrs Rigby retires from teaching. We are delighted to announce that the children's new teacher will be Mrs Gillian Watkins, an outstanding and experienced teacher who is raring to get into school and work with the class.

I would also like to thank Mrs Ros Lumby who has worked in school as an infant lunchtime welfare assistant for the past few years. She will begin working in a similar role in the nursery after half term. Mrs Mary Proctor will begin in school at this time.

Mrs McGivern will also step down from several years of lunchtime welfare service. Her support for the children will now focus solely in the classroom as the Year 6 teaching assistant. Mrs Kiera Ferrigno has been appointed in her place.

I wish you all a happy and safe half term and look forward to seeing the children again on Tuesday 7th November.

M FitzGibbon

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

Fri 27 Oct:	CLOSE for half term	Wed 6 Dec:	Y5 visit to Longridge High (half class)
Tues 31 Oct:	Secondary school applications close	Thurs 7 Dec:	Pantomime visit to Grand Theatre
Tues 7 Nov:	School Reopens (no tennis)	Wed 13 Dec:	Christmas Lunch
Tues 7 Nov:	Year 4 start swimming lessons	Weds 13 Dec:	Reception stay & play 2.30
Mon 13 Nov:	Govs' Finance meeting 6pm	Thurs 14 Dec:	Infant Nativity at 2pm and 6pm
Mon 20 Nov:	Y4 trip to Samlesbury Hall	Mon 18 Dec:	Infant Christmas party pm
Wed 29 Nov:	Y5 visit to Longridge High (half class)	Mon 18 Dec:	Junior Carol Concert 6pm
Wed 29 Nov:	Govs' Full Meeting 6.30pm	Tues 19 Dec:	Junior Christmas party pm
Fri 1 Dec:	Christmas Fayre 3.45-5.45 pm	Thurs 21 Dec:	9am Mass ... CLOSE at 3.30pm

Parent Governor Election

We would like to thank Lowri Dowthwaite for her work as a parent governor over the past 2 years and wish her well for the future.



We are pleased to announce that following the recent parent governor election, Mrs Susan Gallagher has been appointed unopposed and we are looking forward to working with her on the governing body.



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 Mass on 26th 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

John McCrae, May 1915

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.



Show you remember on the 11th November.

Poppies and other items will be on sale in school after half term. See attached sheet.

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.