






St Michael & St John's RC Primary School
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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
 to be the best we can be.*

Dear Parents/Carers

I think it is safe to say that the children have all settled in to the school routine very quickly. Reception class are doing extremely well and are a delight to have in school. We welcomed our new pupil voice group members this week.

School Council		Sports Council 	Anti-bullying ambassadors 
Year 1	Joshua M & Amelia M	Eva & Coby	Noah & Sienna
Year 2	Alice & Max H	Amelia D & Felix	Alexa & Harry
Year 3	Holly & Austin	Jessica & Callum	Chloe & Joshua
Year 4	Sam & Laici	Oliver T & Darcie	Jude & Libby
Year 5	Harvey C & Alyssa	Beatrice & Jack R	Harry Y & Lexi
Year 6	Isabel C & Isaac	Charlie & Monika	Isabel D & Ben

Today our Year 6 pupils took part in the three schools parish Mass at Thorneyholme. It was a lovely mass and a chance to meet with some children from other schools in the parish. Thankyou to staff at Thorneyholme for organising this.





Data collection sheets

Data sheets will be sent home on Friday. It is important that you read the information that we hold at school and check it is correct. Please ensure any details that are incorrect are amended. It is vital for safeguarding purposes that we have a least 2 contacts for us. Should your child become unwell or we need to contact you, the numbers you supply must be for people who have authority to speak or act on your behalf.

All sheets **MUST** be sent back in to school as soon as possible. Please do not wait for Mrs Wilkinson to chase it up.

There are still some outstanding local area consent forms that need returning. If we do not have consent for your child, they will miss out on going on trips.

Toast



Toast is available every Wednesday morning. If you wish for your child to have this, please send in £2.20 which will pay for toast up to Christmas. To save on admin and banking, we ask that this is paid up front and not weekly.



Please remember to look at our facebook page. We cannot accept friend request so you can only 'like' the comments and pictures. If you do NOT wish for your child to appear on facebook, please inform the office.

School Website

Please use the school website to check what your child's class will be learning about. The address is www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk the calendar is being updated at present but information for the school year will be on here as well as the newsletter.

Parent pay

Thank you to those who are using parent pay. It is saving a lot of admin time in the office for Mrs Wilkinson. If you do not use it, please contact the office for your user name and password. For new reception parents, you will receive a letter with instructions on how to get set up. Parentpay is an online system used to pay for things such as dinner money, sports clubs, school trips.

Texting service

There has been a problem with the Teachers2parents app this week but they have assured us that the problem has been solved. If you are still having a problem, delete the app and reinstall it. Alternatively you can just receive the texts through the usual way. Please let Mrs Wilkinson know if you think you are not receiving texts.



Meet the teacher

Thank you to all the parents who came to meet the class teachers of year 1-6. I hope you were impressed and left feeling confident that your child will excel in their new class.



Breakfast/Afterschool Clubs

All clubs started this week. Please ensure that the children bring the clothes that are required for the club. If they have not got the kit required they will not be able to do the club. This particularly applies to the afterschool clubs - Netball, Multi skills, Cross country and football. Phone calls home cannot always be made so please be aware that no kit means no club and they will have to be collected from school.

Bowland High school

There will be an open evening for Bowland High school on Thursday 20th September 6.00-8.30pm and an open day on Wednesday 26th September 9.15am -1.20pm.

You will need to ring to book a tour of the school. Telephone 01200 441374

Fortnite

Please see the attached information regarding safe gaming for children.



Dates to go in your diary

Friday 14th Sept - Assembly 9.00am
PTA meeting in school 2.15pm ALL WELCOME

Tuesday 18th Sept - Sacramental Meeting 5.30pm in school for all year 3 parents of children wanting to take the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion this year. (Children need not attend)

Letter to follow from Mrs Lambert -Lead catechist

St Augustine's Meeting for Year 6 parents (No children) with Mr Wright 7.00pm in school (SSMJ)

Wednesday 19th - Year 5 swimming

Thursday 20th - Bowland High School open Evening

Friday 21st - Year 6 Assembly

Ribble Valley Tennis taster sessions for year 1/2/3

Ribble Valley Football at St Augustine's 4-6pm

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday 2nd Oct - Whole school Mass to welcome new reception children

Thursday 4th Oct- Open evening St Augustine's 6.30pm

Tuesday 9th Oct - SEN Parents' evening (letter to go home)

Thursday 11th Oct - Open Morning for prospective parents and children for reception 2019 - 9.30am-10.30am

Wednesday 17th - Parents' evening (letters to go home)

Thursday 18th - Parents' evening

Friday 19th - School Closes for half term 3.30pm

Wednesday 31st Oct - Closing date for year 6 secondary applications

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Z Mabbott