

# St Mary's CE Primary School Rawtenstall

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**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

*'I came to give life. Life in all its fullness'*

*John 10:10*

This half term our Christian value that we have been exploring is:

**Respect**

### Ethos Award Winners

Reception: Evie

Year 1: Daisy

Year 2: Inayah

Year 3: Aliyya

Year 4: Elinor

Year 5: Kyle

Year 6: Jenson

### Mathematicians of the week

Reception: George

Year 1: Amara

Year 2: Layla

Year 3: Hiba

Year 4: Sam V

Year 5: Connor

Year 6: Azad

### Attendance

I would like to remind parents and carers the importance of your child attending school each day. There is strong evidence that high attendance helps pupils achieve their full potential. Days away from school interrupt the flow of their learning and mean they miss out on important knowledge. The more time missed from lessons, the harder it can be for a pupil to catch up. I have attached a link to a copy of the school attendance policy for your information:

<https://www.stmaryscep.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=707&type=pdf>

### Attendance – Whole school target 96%

**Weekly whole school attendance:**

**Weekly attendance: 95%**

| Year group       | Attendance   |
|------------------|--------------|
| 3                | 99.4%        |
| 5                | 97.4%        |
| 2                | 96%          |
| 4                | 96%          |
| 1                | 95.1%        |
| 6                | 93.2%        |
| <b>Reception</b> | <b>88.5%</b> |

**Best timekeeping: Year 3**

### Dogs Polite notice

**Please can I remind all parents and carers that dogs are not allowed on any part of the school premises, in accordance with our health and safety procedures.**

**Thank you for your co-operation.**

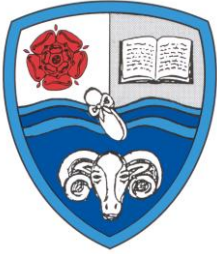
### Year 5 Survival Stars visit

On Tuesday Year 5 attended Whitehough Outdoor Activity Centre in Pendle to develop their teamwork and outdoor survival skills. All of the children represented the school brilliantly.

### Reception 2025 Open Day

We will be holding a further open day for families who are interested in applying for a Reception class place for September 2025. **This will take place between 9:30am and 3pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November.**

**If you would like to arrange a visit please call the school office on 01706 216407. If this date is not convenient we will be happy to arrange an alternative date.**



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## Autumn term Parents Evening

During the Autumn term your child's parents evening will take place on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024**.

Appointment letters have now been sent out to parents and carers. Please can these be returned to school at your earliest convenience.

## Civic Pride Bulb Planting



## School places available

At the current time we have a small number of pupil places available in some classes across school. If you are aware of any families who wish to join St Mary's Primary School, they can call the school office on 01706 216407 and I will be happy to take them on a tour of the school.

## PTA meeting

St Mary's PTFA will be holding a meeting in the school hall on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3:30pm. All parents are welcome to attend. Thank you.

## Lancashire school admissions Primary Schools Reception 2025

Primary schools closing date: 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Please apply online at the following link:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/>

## St Mary's Harvest Service

We will holding our annual Harvest Service at St Mary's church at 9:30am on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October. All parents, carers and family members are all warmly invited to join us for the service.

## Secondary Schools 2025

Secondary schools closing date: 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024

Please apply online at the following link:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school/>

## Autumn term 1 breakfast and after school clubs

**Breakfast sports clubs will commence week beginning the 9th September 2024 and will end week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024.**

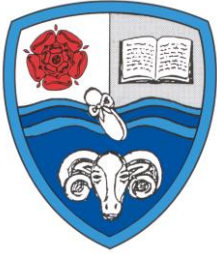
**Please can I remind parents to send the permission slips back to school as there are limited places available for each club.**

**Monday 8am to 8:50am:**

**Year 5 and 6 theatre/drama club**

**Tuesday 8am to 8:50am:**

**Year 1 and Year 2 multi-skills club**



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**Tuesday 3:30pm to 4:30pm**

**Key Stage 2 STEM club**

**Wednesday 8am to 8:50am:**

**Year 3 and 4 dodgeball club**

**Friday 8am to 8:50am:**

**Year 5 and Year 6 dodgeball club**

## **St Mary's school facility lettings**

St Mary's Primary School has a small range of facilities that are available to be rented out to local clubs in accordance with our school lettings policy.

If this is something that may be of interest, please contact the school office on 01706 216407 and Mr Gurman will be happy to discuss this with you further.