

# St Mary's CE Primary School Rawtenstall

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## Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Just a reminder that we finish for the half term holidays on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 3:30pm and will return to school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 08:55am.

*'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: Samuel

Year 1: Rosie

Year 2: David

Year 3: Aurora

Year 4: Samuel

Year 5: Abdullah

Year 6: Ella

## Readers of the week

Reception: Austin

Year 1: Haaris

Year 2: Matilda

Year 3: Fatima

Year 4: Sami

Year 5: Lydia B

Year 6: Charlie

## 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:

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Year group	Attendance
1	99.5%
Reception	97.4%
3	96.6%
4	94.2%
5	93.5%
2	91.5%
6	89%

#### Best timekeeping: Year 6

### Harvest Service

Well done to all of the pupils for participating in an excellent Harvest Service at St Mary's Church this week. Thank you to all the parents, families and St Mary's Church for supporting the service and the donations we have received for the RAFT Foodbank.

### Reception 2025 Open Day

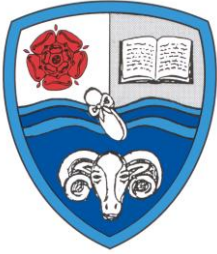
We will be holding a further open day for families who are interested in applying for a Reception class place for September 2025.

**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.**

### 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.



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## 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/>

## 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 2 Breakfast and After school clubs

Breakfast sports clubs will commence week beginning the 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and will end week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> December 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 3 and 4 theatre/drama club**

Tuesday 8am to 8:50am:

**Year 1 and Year 2 invasion games club**

Tuesday 3:30pm to 4:30pm

**Year 5 and 6 STEM club**

Wednesday 8am to 8:50am:

**Year 3 and 4 table tennis club**

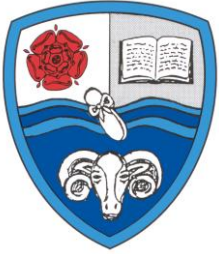
Friday 8am to 8:50am:

**Year 5 and Year 6 gymnastics 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 of interest, please contact the school office on 01706 216407 and Mr Gurman will be happy to discuss this with you further.



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