

# St Mary's CE Primary School Rawtenstall

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**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

*'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: Ayaan R  
Year 1: Ibrahim  
Year 2: Axel  
Year 3: Alyana  
Year 4: Aliyya M  
Year 5: Elinor  
Year 6: Harriett

### Writers of the week

Reception: Evie  
Year 1: Olivia  
Year 2: Alfie  
Year 3: Alfie  
Year 4: Farhaan  
Year 5: Samuel  
Year 6: Sienna

### 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=833&type=pdf>

**Attendance – Whole school target 96%**

**Whole school attendance – 98%**

Year group	Attendance
Year 2	100%
Year 3	100%
Year 5	100%
Reception	99.1%
Year 6	98.5%
Year 4	96.8%
Year 1	91%

**Timekeeping – Reception class**

### Paid Breakfast Club Price Increase

From September 2025 the paid breakfast club that starts at 8am will continue to be available for all parents on daily basis. I am writing to inform you that the price will **increase to £3 a day per pupil**.

### School dinners price increase

We also wish to inform you that, in accordance with recommendations from Lancashire Catering Services, the daily charge for school meals will **increase from £2.70 to £2.90**. This revision is due to increased costs associated with food provision and staffing required to deliver the service.

### School Uniform reminder for September 2025

As we start the new term in September, please remember that full school uniform is required.

**Please note that trainers are not allowed.**

Pupils are required to wear appropriate school shoes.

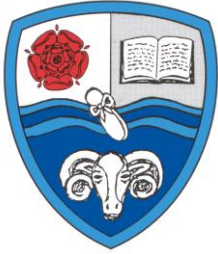
Thank you for your support in helping us maintain our school standards.

### Parent information data collection

**Please can parents inform the school office if any personal information school holds has changed over the summer holidays. This includes information such as addresses, parent contact details such as email addresses and telephone numbers. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.**

### Year 6 Turton Tower Trip

Year 6 will be visiting Turton Tower on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September as part of their enrichment links to the History curriculum.



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## **Primary School Admissions – September 2026**

Primary school admissions for Reception 2026 are now available to be made via the following link:

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

**St Mary's will be holding an open day from 9:30am to 3pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025.**

If you would like to make an appointment please contact the school office:

Email: [schooloffice@rawtenstall-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@rawtenstall-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk)

Tel: 01706 216407

## **National Early Adopters Breakfast Club Scheme**

We are excited to invite all our pupils to join our **Free Breakfast Club**, running **every school day from 8:25am to 8:55am**.

**This will continue to be available every day during the school year.**

**No need to book — just come along and enjoy!**

Thank you to all of the children who have accessed the free breakfast club provision so far – at the present time we are averaging at least 70 pupils each day!

A healthy breakfast sets the tone for a great day of learning, and we're here to make sure every child starts the day feeling energized, focused, and ready to thrive.

### **What's on offer?**

A tasty and nutritious breakfast, served in a warm and welcoming environment — all at no cost to families!

### **Why join?**

- ✓ Helps children settle into the school day
- ✓ Supports focus and concentration in lessons
- ✓ Gives children a chance to socialise in a relaxed

setting

- ✓ Saves time on busy mornings!

Children will also be able to play games and music of their choice. This week we will be gathering the views of pupils to discuss how we can make the breakfast club even better for them each day.

### **Games that we currently have available include:**

Colouring activities  
Top Trumps card games  
Word searches  
A variety of board games  
A variety of quizzes

### **Year 5 and 6 swimming classes**

This term all of the boys in Year 5 and Year 6 will be attending swimming lessons at Marl Pits every Friday afternoon.

Please ensure your child brings their swimming kits to school each week. Thank you for your support.

### **Extra-curricular clubs**

During Autumn term 1 we will be offering the following extra-curricular clubs that will commence week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> September until week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

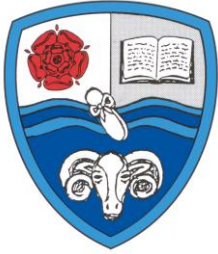
**Monday – Year 5 and 6 football club – 3:30pm to 4:15pm**

**Tuesday – Year 4,5,6, Coding Club – 3:30pm to 4:15pm**

**Tuesday – KS2 theatre and drama club – 3:30pm to 4:15pm**

**Wednesday – Year 1 and 2 dance club – 3:30pm to 4:15pm**

**Thursday – Year 5 and 6 gymnastics club – 3:30pm to 4:15pm**



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## Schools Sports Games Mark – Platinum Award

We are delighted to announce that St Mary's CE Primary School, have achieved the School Games Platinum Mark Award for the 2024/25 academic year. This is the highest award schools can be accredited with.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Through competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

## School places available

St Mary's CE Primary School have a small number of places available in some classes across the school.

If you know of any families who may be interested in joining St Mary's CE Primary we will be more than happy to provide them with a tour of the school. These can be arranged by either phoning the school office on:

**01706 216407**

or via email at:

[schooloffice@rawtenstall-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@rawtenstall-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk)

