Nelson St Philip's C of E Primary School

We love to learn. We learn to love. With Christ as our Guide, we love and learn together.



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SWAT (Schools Working and Achieving Together) Times Tables Competition

Mrs Macdonald said, "On Wednesday, twelve children across Key Stage 2 took part in the SWAT times tables competition. This involved a total of twelve schools based throughout Pendle. We are incredibly proud of the children. They showed resilience under pressure and their behaviour, throughout, was outstanding. All children who attended had done extremely well to get to this stage of the competition. They all performed incredibly well and Zeeshan achieved first place in the year six section and Jannat achieved first place in the year four section. Well done!"



Important Reminders

1. Footwear

- We have noticed several children in school wearing boots or trainers as part of their school uniform. In line with our School Uniform Policy, pupils **must** wear plain black shoes. Trainers may be worn on PE days only.
- During winter months children are allowed to wear sensible plain black boots on the journey to/from school but must change into school shoes upon arrival to their classroom.

2. End of the school day

- We have had an increase in children being collected late at the end of the school day. As a reminder, KS1 pupils finish at 3.25pm and KS2 pupils finish at 3.30pm.
- Children **must** be collected by 3.30pm, with the exception of attendance at an after-school club, when they must be collected at 4.15pm.
- When children are collected late it causes disruption to after school clubs and staff meetings/training.
- If you have an emergency and are unable to collect you child(ren) on time, please inform the school office.



Our Christian Value Next Week:



Compassion



-Compassion is concern for the sufferings or misfortunes of others. Being good; being kind; being helpful.



In the Bible, Jesus' works of healing were always prompted by compassion for people's suffering.





Collective Worship in School

Our Collective Worship theme next week is 'Parables of Jesus'. The Christian Value will be 'Compassion'.

Please pass on any thoughts and ideas you may have about what you feel your child would benefit from knowing about this theme.



Class Attendance

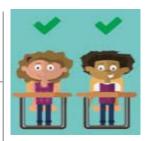
Attendance Matters



Class Pendle	94.00%
Class Barley	93.33%
Class Marsden	96.33%
Class Towneley	92.33%
Class Wycoller	93.00%

Whole School Attendance

Whole School (Without Extended Leave)	93.86%
Extended Leave (40 sessions of lost learning across school)	2.86%
Whole School Attendance (With Extended Leave)	91.00%



Please read our Vision Statement below and pass on any thoughts and ideas you may have about it.

Our school vision influences every aspect of school life, is at the forefront of all our thoughts and prayers and is at the heart of our environment. Thank you.

Our Vision Statement

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'Gad is lave, and all who live in lave live in Gad, and Gad lives in them.' (I Jahn 4:16)

Living out our vision, we aim to:

Guide our children to prepare them for life; Respect themselves and one another; Aspire to achieve their highest potential; Care for the local and wider community; Every child is special in God's eyes.

GRACE

Guide Respect Aspire Care Each of us is special





Key Dates for the Spring Term, 2024

Date and time	Event
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief, Red Nose Day (Non-uniform Day)
Tuesday 19th March	Child Safety Talk - Year 2; Road Sense Talk - Year 6
	(delivered by Lancashire Fire and Rescue)
Wednesday 20 th March	Year 6 visit to Gauthorpe Hall (Shakespeare event)
Wednesday 27 th March	SCHOOL CLOSES
Monday 15 th April	SCHOOL OPENS

Emails, Texts, and the School Website

It is vital that you check and read **all** emails and texts sent from school so that you are kept up to date with important information. Please keep checking our school website too as you will find further information there, including a weekly newsletter.

Absences from school

It is essential that school is notified by telephone (01282 614463) before 8.55am on the first day of absence. If the school is not informed, then enquiries as to the child's whereabouts will be made. If possible, could parents make any medical appointments out of school hours so that your child's education is not disrupted. If, however you do need to take your child out of school, an appointment card will need to be filled in. These are available in the school office. Please note: if your child has not arrived in school and ordered a school lunch before 9.30am, parents will need to bring in a packed lunch for their child(ren).

School Uniform Reminders:

Boys

Royal Blue sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)
Dark trousers
Plain black/grey socks
White polo/cotton shirt

Girls

Royal Blue sweatshirt/cardigan (preferably with school logo) Dark skirt or trousers Plain socks, tights or shalwar (black, grey or white) White Polo/Cotton Shirt In the summer girls may wear a pale blue checked dress

We expect all children to wear full school uniform every day. This includes plain black school shoes with a sensible heel, not trainers and no logos. If children have a problem with their usual school shoes, they must wear their black school pumps whilst in school. During winter months children are allowed to wear sensible plain black boots on the journey to/from school, but must change into school shoes upon arrival to their classroom.

- The children are expected to keep their shirts tucked in if they remove their jumpers and not to have their jumpers around their waist, as we want high standards from our pupils, including their uniform presentation.
- It is the School's Governors' Policy that all children do not wear scarves of any type, in our school or in our school grounds, in view of their age and in the interests of health and safety.
- Please ensure that all items of clothing are named then they can be returned to your child if the items become lost. Jewellery is not allowed in school. Pupils should not wear rings, bracelets, necklaces, or earrings in school. Inexpensive wristwatches are allowed.