

# 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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## Autumn Term Newsletter

Friday 6th September 2024

Welcome back to all our families and we hope you had a relaxing summer break. The children have started this new academic year enthusiastically, showing great attitudes towards their learning. All our staff are looking forward to working with you once again, in partnership, to provide the very best education for your children.

### Our New Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy, Deputy Head Girl and the Prefects

We are pleased to announce that Hashim and Lily-Mai have been named as the Head Boy and Head Girl of our school. Our Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl are Usman and Zaynah. The team chosen to help them as their Prefects are Hafsa, Milosz and Zahra.

Congratulations to you all on your new and very important roles in our school. We are sure you will continue to be excellent role models, demonstrating great leadership qualities and promoting our Christian values throughout school and in the local community.

**YOU'RE A  
SUPERSTAR!**

### Superstars of the Week

Pendle - Chloe Hulme

Barley - Keith Waterworth

Marsden - Muhammad Ali Akbar

Towneley - Nixon Riley

Wycoller - Usman Rana

## Our Christian Value Next Week:



### Friendship



**-Friendship is a relationship between people who like each other and enjoy each other's company.**

The Bible has many sayings about friendship:

'A friend loves at all times.'  
(Proverbs 17:17)



'If one falls down, a friend can lift him up.'

(Ecclesiastes 4:10)





Collective Worship in School

Our Collective Worship theme next week is 'Friendship/Families'. The Christian Value will be 'Friendship'.

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

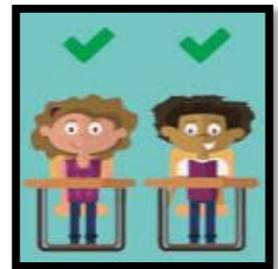


## Class Attendance



Class Pendle	97.00%
Class Barley	100%
Class Marsden	96.21%
Class Towneley	97.96%
Class Wycoller	100%

## Whole School Attendance



Whole School (Without Extended Leave)	97.97%
Extended Leave (64 sessions of lost learning across school)	4.99%
Whole School Attendance (With Extended Leave)	92.89%

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

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

'God is love, and all who live in love live in God,  
and God lives in them.'  
(1 John 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 Autumn Term, 2024

Date and time	Event
Tuesday 10th September 9-10AM	Swimming lessons begin for Class Marsden
Tuesday 10th September 3.30-4.15PM	Year 4 & Year 5 Ball Skills After School Club
Wednesday 11th September 11AM-12PM	Swimming lessons begin for Class Towneley
Wednesday 11th September 3.30PM-4PM	Whitehough meeting for Year 6 parents
Thursday 12th September 3.30-4.15PM	Year 4 TT Rockstars After School Club
Thursday 12th September 3.30-4.15PM	Year 6 Ball Skills After School Club
Tuesday 10th October 1-3.30PM	STEM Families Adult Learning (Lego Robotics KSI)
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> October (AM)	John Hunt Photography to take School Photographs
Tuesday 12th November 1-3.30PM	STEM Families Adult Learning (Lego Robotics KSI)
Tuesday 10th December 1-3.30PM	STEM Families Adult Learning (Santa's Craft House)
Friday 20th December 3.30PM	SCHOOL CLOSSES
Monday 6th January 8.55AM	SCHOOL OPENS



Parent Pay is being used to pay for school dinner, trips and milk money. Trips have been added to Parent Pay for every pupil this week. Forms and payments should be submitted through Parent Pay.

Activation letters were sent home at the start of the term. If you require a duplicate letter, please email [bursar@st-philips.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@st-philips.lancs.sch.uk)

If you are new to Parent Pay, please find a video below showing how to activate your account.

<https://fast.wistia.com/embed/iframe/knza87f1wm>

If you already use Parent Pay, please find a video below showing how to add additional children.

<https://fast.wistia.com/embed/iframe/i256ib6jp0>

**Please note each child will need to be activated separately using the codes on the activation letters.**

### 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)*

### 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.

### 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.