



— 12th December 2025 —

# St Mary Magdalen's CPS



Nurturing Hearts & Minds



Luke 2:6-7, "While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.."

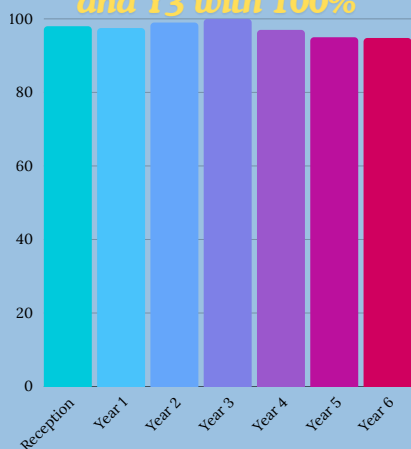
What an incredible week! We make no apologies for the number of things happening in our school at the moment - our children are absolutely loving it, and it has been wonderful to welcome so many parents, families and friends into our school at the most special time of the year. Our school walls have been bursting with excitement for every event, especially when children know their loved ones are coming along.

This week has included 2 nativity performances with Reception, Year 1 and Year 2; our final Christmas Crafts of the year with Year 5 and 6; Nursery stay-and-play; Year 5 collective worship; supporting the Penwortham Christmas Market; and visiting the Winter Gardens, Blackpool, to see 'ELF'. It has been AWESOME! (But a little tiring for grown ups!)

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:

**97%**

Amazing Y2 with 99%  
and Y3 with 100%



### This week's prayer:

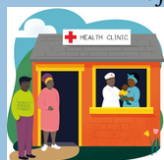
Jesus,

help us to fill our hearts with your love so that we can be shining examples of your love and light to our families and friends this Christmas time.

Amen.

### THANK YOU

We have raised £211 for CAFOD World Gifts - fantastic amount of money to replace cards at this time of the year!



Next week, we have lots more fun prepared, including Rec/Y1/Y2 trip to visit Santa at Windmill Animal Farm, our Christmas Lunch, Christmas DVD afternoon, Carols around the tree, Y3/4 Carol Concert, and every class will have an 'active Christmas afternoon' with some fun and games. In between all of that, we will do our best to continue our curriculum, and on Wednesday, you will receive an end-of-term report for core subjects (RE, Maths, English, Science), just to let you know how your child is been doing over the course of this term.

All of this incredible work - especially all of the extra Christmas festivities - makes our school a very unique place to be because our staff are unwavering in their support for our pupils - they always go above and beyond, and I am incredibly proud to be a small part of that team.

There is so much work that goes on behind the scenes - whether it is setting up and selling tickets; chasing parents who haven't engaged - because we know how much it means to the children; organising, ordering, cooking the food and setting up the hall; cleaning the school every morning and every night; ordering the crafts and organising the activities; ensuring the school is welcoming and a safe place to be; building children's confidence to be able to perform in front of an audience - this is all above and beyond what a school team would 'normally do'. Our School Office has been severely depleted recently, and Mrs Leah, having only just joined the school, has been working many, many additional hours to help out. Our kitchen staff ( Brigid, Clare and Chanene), our cleaner (Mary), our site supervisor (Becky) and all of our incredible class-based team give of their time so freely to make our school the wonderful place for our children that we all love. Thank you to them all. And to you who support us unequivocally - thank you for being such an important part of our school!

## Core Value Role Models this week....



Y1: Eden



Y2: Poppy



Y3: Emilia



Y4: Henry



Y5: Ivy



Y6: Liam



# Assembly Theme: LOVE

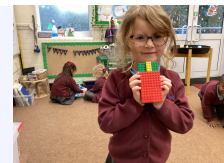


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## Our Week in Photos....



**Congratulations  
to Olive & Erin -  
winners of the  
Mini-Vinnies'  
Christmas Card  
competition**



## Christmas Masses in Penwortham 2025

**Christmas Eve:**  
5pm St Mary Magdalen's Church  
6:30pm St Teresa's Church

**Christmas Day:**  
10am St Teresa's Church

**Boxing Day:**  
10am St Marys Magdalen's  
Church

**Come and celebrate  
the birth of our Saviour!**

## THANK YOU!

This week was Mary's birthday and she asked her Mum & Dad if they could use the money that they had won in the school raffle to buy Penguin books for our school library because we didn't have many!

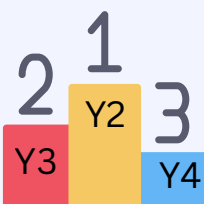
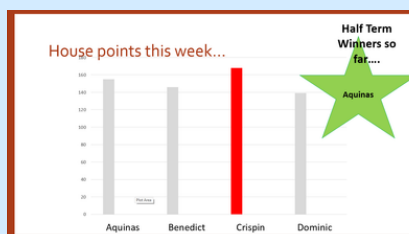
What a superstar!



## Reception 2026:

We are already thinking ahead to next September, but aware of the low birth rates locally. If you know of any families who would like to come and look around our lovely school, please do signpost them our way! Our strength is in the school community and your recommendation, as a parent, is appreciated.

## House Points this week & half term:



## Dates for your Diary

15th December - Rec & KS1 Trip (Windmill Farm)  
17th Christmas lunch - normal clothes  
18th December - Y3/4 Carol Service (6pm in Church)  
19th December School finishes at 1:30pm (no club after 3:20)

