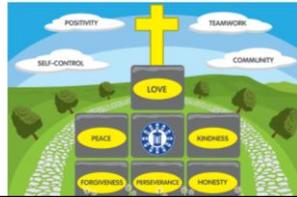


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Date: Friday 23rd January 2026

Re: Weekly Newsletter –

Weekly Worship:

This week in worship we have been learning about...

- Our Christian Value for this half term is LOVE
- Bible quotation of the week: Matthew 7:12
The Golden Rule

“So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Keep in Step with the Spirit! 😊

We ask our children to live out our Christian values every day both in school and at home.

One of the ways we reward these positive behaviours is by recognising the children's achievements in class and in assemblies with reference to the acronym 'S.P.I.R.I.T.'

What does S.P.I.R.I.T mean?

S = Support

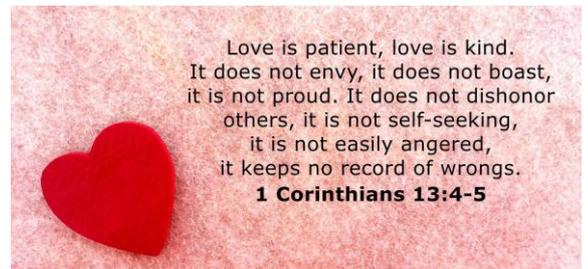
P = Perseverance

I = Independence

R = Respect

I = Ideas

T = Teamwork



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal – November 2025

Thank you to everyone for your donations. This year the appeal raised £188.95. Well done! 😊

Important Dates this term:

27th January – Holocaust Memorial Day

2nd February – Children's Mental Health WEEK

9th February – MHST workshop on Children's mental health in the digital age

10th February – Safer Internet Day

11th February – Y5/6 Football Tournament

18th February – Shrove Tuesday

19th February – Lent begins

5th March – Sycamore trip

6th March – World Book Day celebrations

Please note: We are doing this on the FRIDAY so that Sycamore class do not miss out!

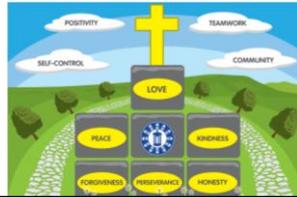
9th March – British Science Week

13th March – non-uniform day – bring in chocolate

12th and 17th and March – Parents' evening (some appointments will be remote via School Cloud)

26th March – PTA Event: Family Games Night

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SCHOOL ROUTINES:

A few reminders at the beginning of 2026:

Every day the children need:

A warm waterproof coat (hats, scarves and gloves if you wish – please label everything)

A water bottle

Reading book and reading record

School uniform, including appropriate footwear (PE uniform on set days – see class timetables)

Long hair tied back

No jewellery to be worn (exceptions: watch (no smart watches) and one pair of stud earrings (not on PE days))

A smile and positive attitude!!

On some days the children need:

Homework books or equivalent

The children should not bring:

Toys or games (including balls)

Trading cards or similar

Large bags

Large pencil cases (writing equipment is provided)

Mobile phones, tablets, smart devices or any other electrical equipment

(The above is not an exhaustive list. Any queries, please ask your child's class teacher).

Timings:

Please arrive before 8:55am. The gates are locked at this time.

Elm: arrive at 8:45am, break 10:45am (15 mins) and 2:15pm (15 mins), collect at 3:20pm

Ash: arrive at 8:45am, break 10:45am and 2pm, collect at 3:25pm

Birch: arrive at 8:45am, break 10:30am (15 mins), collect at 3:25pm

Sycamore: arrive at 8:45am, break 10:30am (15 mins), collect at 3:30pm

Oak: arrive at 8:45am, break 10:30am (15 mins), collect at 3:30pm

Village Hall Building Works

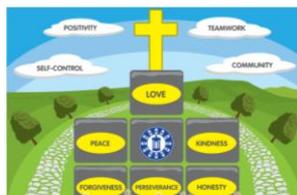
Please be advised that there are currently building works relating to an extension project at the village hall.

The paths behind the hall and the village hall car park and therefore currently unavailable.

Parking in the village

A reminder to parents to park courteously in the village. Please avoid double parking as this has blocked both local buses and the gritter lorry causing disruption. Thank you.

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Reporting parking and driving issues

The link to the council eform to report a parking problem is below:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/parking/report-a-parking-problem/>

To report a driving offence to the Police, follow this link:

<https://fallback.soh.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rs/road-safety/driving-offences/>

Reporting your child's absence:

If your child is going to be absent from school, please telephone the school office number and leave a voicemail message before the school day begins stating clearly your child's name, their class and the reason for their absence. Thank you for your co-operation.

School Instagram Account:

Please follow us on our new Instagram account, like and share!

We are: [highamstjohnsschool](https://www.instagram.com/highamstjohnsschool)



Instagram

Website and School Jotter 3 App

To accompany our website, there is also a new app School Jotter 3 – which parents are strongly advised to download. Just search for 'Jotter 3' and look for the image opposite.



Attendance this week:

Elm Class	100%
Ash Class	98.6%
Birch Class	91.5%
Sycamore Class	99.4%
Oak Class	97.5%
Whole School	97.2%

Best wishes

Mrs H Shaw

Headteacher