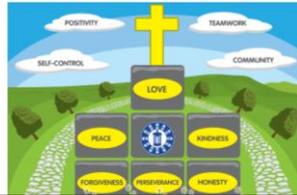


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Date: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026

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 = Supportive

P = Perseverance and Passion for Learning

I = Independent Learners

R = Respect and Resilience

I = Ideas and Imagination

T = Teamwork

**Walking in Step with the Spirit**

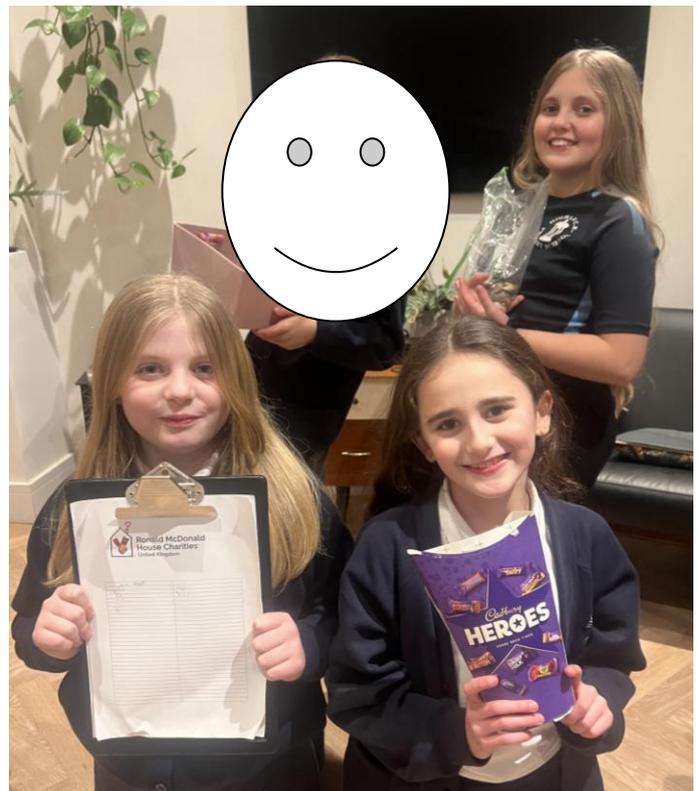
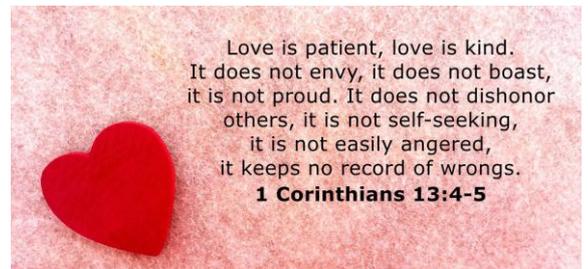
Emily, Aria, Annie and their friend made loom bands to sell to raise money for Ronald McDonald house.

Accompanied by parents, they went door to door and sold loom bands to residents in Higham, handing out chocolates to people who donated. They added their own pocket money to the fund and secured donations from friends and family. They raised a total of £230!

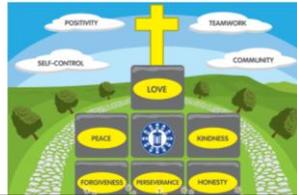
Well done! We are very proud of you. 😊

**Lent Celebration – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

The beginning of Lent this year falls during February half term. This means that Shrove Tuesday will be on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February. Our school kitchen will be offering pancakes for dessert on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February so the children can still celebrate this special occasion together.



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## World Book Day – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

This year we will be celebrating World Book Day on FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> March and not on the Thursday. This is because Sycamore Class our out on a school trip on the Thursday and we don't want them to miss out on the fun! A letter with more information is coming home today.

### Important Dates this term:

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

10<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day

11<sup>th</sup> February – Y5/6 Football Tournament

18<sup>th</sup> February – Shrove Tuesday

19<sup>th</sup> February – Lent begins

5<sup>th</sup> March – Sycamore trip

6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day celebrations

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

9<sup>th</sup> March – British Science Week

13<sup>th</sup> March – non-uniform day – bring in chocolate

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

26<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Event: Family Games Night

### 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.

### Reporting parking and driving issues

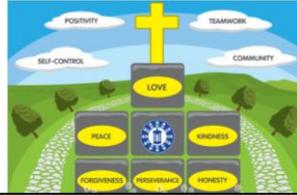
The link to the council eform to report a parking problem is below:

<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/>

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## 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)



## 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.



## Sycamore Class Trip – Manchester Jewish Museum

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, Sycamore Class will be going on an exciting trip to the Manchester Jewish Museum. This is another new trip for 2025/26 to enrich our RE curriculum and we know the children are going to have great time learning about Jewish religion and culture. A letter is coming out today with more information for parents and details of how to pay.

## Ramadan and Fasting

When we return following the half-term holiday, Ramadan will have commenced.

A letter with further information is being sent home to parents.

We do not anticipate any children below Year 6 will choose to fast during the school day and it is the parents' decision.

Any parents of children who intend to fast must provide written consent in advance.

Children choosing to fast will as usual be given the option to either come into the hall and sit with their friends at 12:30pm or alternatively they may remain outside on the yard.

We expect all children in our community to respect one another's decisions regarding fasting which is a wholly personal choice.

## Attendance this week:

Elm Class	98.2%
Ash Class	97.2%
Birch Class	93.7%
Sycamore Class	92.9%
Oak Class	94%
Whole school	95.2%

Best wishes

Mrs H Shaw

Headteacher