

With God
we Grow

Clayton-le-Woods CE Primary School Weekly Newsletter 12.12.25



Staffing Update

I know lots of you have been congratulating Mrs Fawcett on her new appointment which begins in January.

Mr Manchester will be joining us in January to teach Ash Class until we make a permanent appointment later in the year. Mr Manchester has already visited the children and he will be in school again next week. I'm sure everyone will extend a warm CLW welcome to him.

We also need to wish Mrs Birkinshaw well as she finishes work next week to begin her maternity leave. We look forward to meeting the fifth CLW staff baby to be born this year.

Our Care Club has been expanding over the last few months with Mrs Zhong, Mrs Deighton and Mrs Sinfield joining the team.

Festive Friday

Everyone has had a great day, looking jolly in our Christmas jumpers enjoying a tasty Christmas lunch - thank you so much to Lisa and Alana - and running in our reindeer antlers to raise funds for St Catherine's hospice. The antlers are a gift to each child as a thank you from St Catherine's. We will leave the donations link open until the end of term. Thank you so much for your support.



Chorley Champions!

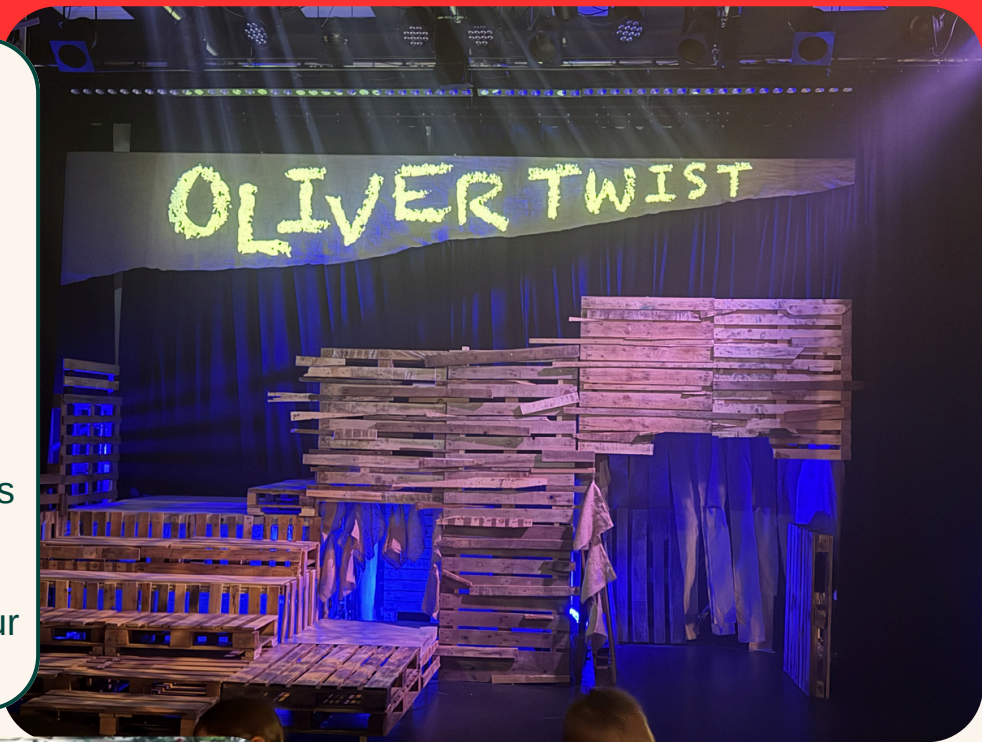
Yesterday Mr Molloy received the fantastic news that our Panathlon Team achieved so well that they will go on to represent Chorley in the Lancashire Panathalon Competition! We look forward to hearing all about this after the next stage of the competition in the new year.

KS2 Bowling Brilliance

This morning, a team of KS2 children had a great time competing in a competition with 15 schools at Hollywood Bowl in Horwich. They all came back proudly wearing their medals.

KS2 Theatre Trip

What a wonderful afternoon our Junior classes had watching Oliver Twist at Burnley Youth Theatre. All the children were enthralled by the storyline, with plenty of shocked faces and a few laughs along the way. The young actors were amazing - inspiring many of our CLW pupils to think about acting too. Their behaviour was fantastic, as always, and they represented our school brilliantly.



Thank You!

Willow Class presented Mrs Holmes with a gift of thanks for all her hard work with them, and Mr Holmes, every week in Flourishing Friday gardening. We also want to say a big thank you to Avant Garden Centre for donating lots of useful things for our gardening projects.

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NHS

School can now make referrals to a Local Dental Pathway.

It is recommended that all children have regular check-ups at a dentist. If you are having difficulty finding a dentist for your child please contact school and we can make a referral to get your child registered.

Ethic of Excellence Awards

For achieving excellence in an aspect of school this week. Well done to:

Archer (Rec) Isla D (Y1) Jake (Y2)
Ava (Y3) Scarlett (Y4)
Evie (Y5) Rhys (Y6)

Head Teacher's Award

For going above and beyond this week:
Thomas (Ash Class)
Josh (Elder Class)

Christmas Parties Next Week

EYFS and KS1 Christmas parties will be on Thursday 18th, along with Y3 and Y4.

Y5 and Y6 will be on Friday 19th.

Children do not need to bring anything but they can wear party clothes or Christmas jumpers.

Our Advent Journey

This week we lit our second candle - for peace.
On Tuesday Philip told the Christmas story using huge story board characters.
On Wednesday we used our imaginations to wonder what it was like in the stable, using our senses to imagine what we could hear, see, smell and how it would feel to hold baby Jesus.
On Thursday we watched the Sanctuary Foundation's Big Live Nativity and heard a story of love and kindness being the most important part of Christmas.

Whole School Attendance this Week 93.1%
Late marks - 23

Our Vision

Together we inspire one another to live life to all its fullness, rooted and built up in Christ, so that every member of our school community can learn, develop and flourish, to live in the world as the unique individuals God created us to be.

Diary Dates for December

Monday 15 th	EYFS/KS1 visiting theatre 'Battle of the Kings'
Monday 15 th	Choir singing at <u>Willowbank</u> Care Home
Tuesday 16 th	9.30am and 2.15pm Nativity – EYFS and KS1 together
Wednesday 17 th	2.15pm Nativity – EYFS and KS1 together – extra date
Wednesday 17 th	Evening Candlelight Service in church
Thursday 18 th	Christmas Parties for EYFS, KS1, Y3 and Y4
Friday 19 th	Christmas Parties for Y5 and Y6
Friday 19 th	End of term



RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

Rainbow Hub will collect & recycle your real Christmas tree to save you time & hassle
Collecting Friday 9th - Sunday 11th January 2026



To book your tree collection, and help Rainbow Hub to raise funds to brighten the lives of children with disabilities, please scan the QR code or visit:
<https://www.rainbowhub.org/event/christmas-tree-collection/>

We will be collecting trees in the following postcode areas:
PR1, PR2, PR4, PR5, PR6, PR7, PR8, PR9, PR25, PR26, WN6, WN8, L39, L40, BL6

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