

With God
we Grow

Clayton-le-Woods CE Primary School Weekly Newsletter 13.03.26

Bishop Philip's Blessing

What a special afternoon we had yesterday. We welcomed Bishop Philip on his first visit to our school. He brought to life the parable of The Unforgiving Servant (Matthew 18:21-35) with some fantastic acting by our children; explaining that just as God forgives us, so in turn we should forgive each other and show compassion, living in the way that Jesus taught us to live.

Bishop Philip reminded us that Lyndon Wright had lived in this way - full of kindness and compassion - serving others both at church and in school. Many of Mr Wright's family and friends joined us for worship and then for a special blessing, by Bishop Philip, of the new **Lyndon Wright Reading Corner**.



The very kind donations from Lyndon's family, friends at church and our school family, enabled us to purchase the lovely materials for our talented staff to create such a beautiful place to read, relax and reflect in. Special thanks to Mrs Bolton, Miss Bolton, Mr Spedding and Mr Howard for their generous time and craftsmanship.

We purchased many new books and a Lion Storyteller Bible for each class. We also have some funds left to stock our new outdoor Reading Shed. What a wonderful way to remember Mr Wright in the heart of our school.



Bishop Philip also enjoyed a tour of school, with thoughtful questions and answer sessions.

Dodgeball Competition

Our Year 6 Dodgeball team took part in the Chorley SSP Dodgeball Competition, held at Holy Cross. Our team played brilliantly although on the wrong side of a couple of results they gave it their all. They displayed fantastic teamwork, empathy, and sportsmanship. Also showing excellent skills of throwing, catching, and dodging. Well Done!! Mr Molloy. Thank you to Mr Molloy for coaching and taking the team!



Getting your child to school on time really matters. Did you know...

If in a school year your child is late everyday....	your child would have lost approximately...	or they would have missed approximately...
5 minutes	3.5 days from school	20 lessons
10 minutes	7 days from school	41 lessons
15 minutes	10 days from school	55 lessons
20 minutes	14.5 days from school	82 lessons
30 minutes	22 days from school	123 lessons

You should not take your child on holiday during term time. Please encourage punctuality to maintain school attendance.

Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity

PLEASE

We are beginning our next project and would be incredibly grateful for your help. We're collecting **as many different plastic bottle tops as possible**. Any size, any colour, it truly doesn't matter.

Our aim is to gather **several hundred by May**, so every little contribution will make a difference. A collection container will be placed outside the school office, where you can drop off bottle tops over the coming months.

Thank you!

Mrs Townsend

**NEW YEAR, NEW CHALLENGE
TRAIN TO TEACH WITH YARROW SCHOOLS
ALLIANCE, STARTING SEPTEMBER 2026**



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IN FINDING OUT MORE?

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buckshaw
soul children
Invite you to

Spring INTO SOUL

Free
Event

Learn a new
SONG

Make new
FRIENDS

Enjoy fun &
GAMES

Explore God's
LOVE

Sunday 19th April 2026 2-4.30pm

@ Buckshaw Community Centre, Unity place

For young people in school years 3-11



For more information contact rachel.harris@bvchurch.co.uk



Diary Dates for 2026

March	
Friday 13 th	Non-uniform day in exchange for Easter Eggs
Friday 20 th	Easter Egg Bingo
Thursday 26 th	Vocal coach from Lancashire Sings to work with Year 5
Thursday 26 th	1.30-2.30 Clayton-le-Woodlanders EYFS Event
Thursday 26 th	KS2 Benchball
Friday 27 th	School closes for Easter holidays
April	
Monday 13 th	School re-opens
Tuesday 14 th	9.45am Easter Service in Church – parents/carers welcome
Monday 20 th	6.00pm PTA Meeting on Teams – all welcome
Wednesday 22 nd to Tuesday 28 th	Scholastic Book Fair in school
Friday 24 th	Year 5 Lancashire Sings event – all day in Preston.
May	
Tuesday 5 th	Y4 Visit to Liverpool World Museum

Worship

Our Christian value this half term is **Forgiveness.**

This week we have heard two parables about forgiveness. In addition to Bishop Philip's worship, Philip, our vicar, told us the story of The Forgiving Father (sometimes known as The Prodigal Son - Luke 15:11-32).

The way the son was immediately welcomed with open arms by his loving father illustrates God's unconditional love for us.



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.

Whole School Attendance This Week

95%

20 late marks - much better!