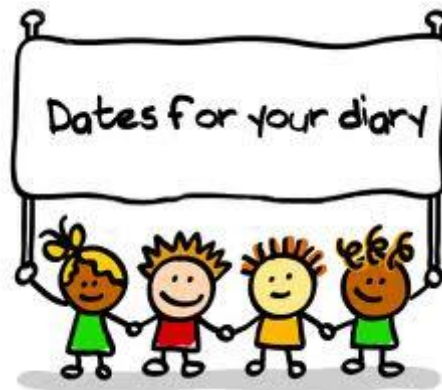




Friday 10th July 2026



Friday 10th July – School reports sent home

Monday 13th July – Key Stage 1 Sports Day at 9:15am

Monday 13th July – Key Stage 2 Sports Day at 1:15pm

Tuesday 14th July – EYFS Sports Day at 9:15am

Tuesday 14th July – Year 6 play

Wednesday 15th July – ‘Wicked’ Musical Theatre performance at 6:30pm

Thursday 16th July – Transition morning for Years 1-5

Thursday 16th July – Musical Evening – Key Stage 1 and Worship Choir at 6:30pm

Friday 17th July – Year 6 Party at 6:30pm

Monday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers’ Service in the hall at 9:30am (time change)

Monday 20th July – Reception Graduation at 10:30am in the hall

Monday 20th July – End of term at 2pm

Summer Fair Grand total: £1240! A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair this year!



Class News

EYFS

EYFS have been learning about Spain this week. We have been looking at famous landmarks and famous people from Spain, learning some flamenco dancing and sampling Spanish food. We have tried Spanish tortilla, gazpacho, magdalena cakes and patatas bravas.

We have also been busy getting ready for our Graduation ceremony. We have been talking about our favourite things in Nursery and Reception, and we have been practising our graduation songs.

Year 1

This week the children in 1H have been making some fantastic predictions in their English work. We have been predicting what happened to Thomas the Tank Engine.

Year 1/2F

This week, Year 1/2 have been writing about our very own train creations. The children have been using lots of descriptive words and phrases to describe their own train inventions!

Year 2F

The other half of Class 2F went on their trip to Smithills Farm this week. We had a lovely sunny day feeding the animals, going on the tractor ride and watching the cows being milked. We even got to see some piglets that were only 3 days old!

Year 3

It is our 'Party Picnic' on Thursday 16th July - children should bring a healthy snack, which they have helped to make at home, and can share with their friends.

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This week in maths, Year 3 have been looking at statistics. This has involved us creating pictograms, tally charts and bar charts. We have been collecting our own data in class too. Maybe you could collect some data at home and create your own chart? What colour flowers you can see in your garden, or what favourite colour people have at home?

This term, we are thinking about our reducing food and packaging waste with small changes which can make a big difference to the environment. Can you try one swap each week?

Challenge 3: Cut some cheese, ham and tomato to go with crackers in a 'bento' style box for a DIY 'Lunchable'.



Year 4

The remaining group of pupils enjoyed visiting Ribchester Roman Museum this week. They enjoyed trying on Roman armour, ceremonial helmets and viewing the remains of the Roman granary. In class, children have enjoyed writing a newspaper report about the crimes of Macavity the Mystery Cat (T S Eliot) and learning about the culture of Scotland.

Year 5

Year 5 have been learning about volcanoes and earthquakes- test them and see if they can explain how they occur!

Parent Pay - Please Clear Your ParentPay Balance

A friendly reminder to all parents and carers to check their **ParentPay account** and ensure any outstanding balances are cleared as soon as possible.

Keeping accounts up to date helps us to continue providing meals, trips, and other school activities smoothly. You can log in to your ParentPay account at any time to view your balance and make payments securely online.

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If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing your account or making a payment, please contact the school office, who will be happy to help.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

The advertisement features a light pink background. At the top right is the British Heart Foundation logo, which consists of a white heart with a heartbeat line and the text 'British Heart Foundation'. Below the logo, the text 'Donate your' is written in white. In the center, there are four pieces of furniture floating: a blue refrigerator, a black television, a wooden bed with a blue blanket, and a pink sofa with striped cushions. At the bottom, the text 'preloved furniture' is written in red. Below this, in black text, it says 'Your donations fund lifesaving research.' and 'To book a free collection, call your local BHF Burnley Store'. At the very bottom, the phone number '01282 882789' is written in red, followed by 'or book online' in black.

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Key Stage 1 Theatre Club with the Worship Choir



Allergy and Anaphylaxis Awareness

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As we approach the end of the school year and look ahead to September, we would like to remind all families about the importance of allergy awareness. Some of our pupils have severe allergies which can lead to anaphylaxis, a serious and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.

To help keep all children safe, we ask parents and carers to:

- Inform the school of any allergies or medical conditions and update us of any changes.
- Ensure that any prescribed medication, including adrenaline auto-injectors (e.g. EpiPens), is in date and provided to school where required.
- Encourage children not to share food, drinks, or snacks with others.
- Check ingredients carefully when providing packed lunches or sending food into school for special events.

By working together, we can create a safe and inclusive environment for all pupils. Thank you for your support in helping us protect children with allergies and ensuring everyone can participate confidently in school life.

If you need any further information, please contact the school office.

Year 6 End of Year Party!



Year 6 are invited to celebrate their final weeks at primary school at their **End of Year Party!**

 **Friday 17th July**

 **6:30pm – 8:00pm**

We look forward to a fun and memorable evening!

There will be music, games, food, awards and prizes galore!

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We can't wait to celebrate with them!



Parent Governor

What Does a School Governor Do?

You may have heard the term *school governor* and wondered what it really means. Governors are volunteers who play an important role in helping schools run effectively and provide the best possible education for children.

A team supporting the school

Governors are part of a governing board made up of people from different backgrounds – including parents, staff, and members of the wider community. They work together to support the school's leadership and ensure it is moving in the right direction.

Their main responsibilities include:

- **Setting the vision and values** of the school, helping to shape its long-term direction
- **Supporting and challenging school leaders**, including the headteacher, to make sure high standards are maintained
- **Overseeing finances and resources** to ensure money is well spent
- **Monitoring pupils' progress and wellbeing**, helping to ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed

What governors do not do

Governors don't get involved in the day-to-day running of the school—that is the role of the headteacher and staff. Instead, they focus on the bigger picture and strategic leadership.

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Why it matters

By offering different perspectives and holding the school to account, governors help make sure decisions are fair, thoughtful, and always centred on what is best for pupils.

Interested in getting involved?

Being a governor is a rewarding way to contribute to your child's school and the wider community. Governors meet six times per year.

If you'd like to learn more, please contact the school office or speak to Mr Aspin or Mrs Burns.

Rossendale Borough Council help for children who receive Free School Meals

- Lancashire County Council previously provided food vouchers during school holidays for children entitled to Free School Meals; however, this funding has now ended.
- To help families during this transition, Rossendale Borough Council is working with local community food organisations to offer **one-off food support during the summer holidays** for eligible children who receive Free School Meals.
- Eligible families can sign up to receive one food bag per child, per week, during the summer holidays following the link below:
- <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=nqjGHRhxxkWbR0nmgOO9AoT9pU8NUixHrHIR7-7tJ5RUQkJGQ1IDM0FZT0oyTllaVTZONFJaSlZTUy4u&route=shorturl>

[Free School Meals Summer Food Transition Scheme | Help with the cost of living in Rossendale | Rossendale Borough Council](#)

Free School Meals – Who is Entitled?

Important Information for Families.

Firstly, if your child is already receiving Free School Meals and is in Years 3–11, there is nothing you need to do. The Local Authority already holds your information and will automatically check your child's eligibility ahead of their return to school in September 2026.

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If your child is in Key Stage 1 (Reception to Year 2), they will already have been receiving a free school meal through the universal infant scheme. If you have previously completed a Free School Meal application, so that your child's school can access additional funding, your eligibility will also be automatically checked—so again, you do not need to take any action.

If your child has not been receiving a free school meal and you believe your they may be eligible please read the information below.

From September 2026, the Government is extending eligibility for Free School Meals. This means that more families may now qualify for support, even if they have not previously been eligible.

What this means for you

- If your household income is lower, your child may now be entitled to free school meals at school
- Schools receive additional funding (known as Pupil Premium) for every eligible child, which is used to support learning, resources and enrichment opportunities
- Even if your child prefers a packed lunch, applying can still bring valuable benefits to both your child and the school

What you need to do

- If you think you may now be eligible, we strongly encourage you to submit an application before the start of the academic year.
- Applications are quick, confidential and securely processed
- If your child is already receiving Free School Meals, you **do not need to reapply**

Why it's important to apply

- Ensures your child receives all the support they are entitled to
- Helps the school access additional funding to support pupils
- May provide access to further support, such as help with trips or activities

If you would like further information or support with your application, please contact the school office.

We encourage all families to take a few minutes to check their eligibility — this support can make a real difference.

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Manchester Cathedral Summer Activities

Manchester Cathedral

**SUMMER
PROGRAMME
AUGUST 2026**

ON THE BEACH
THURSDAY 6TH AUGUST

IN THE CITY
THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST

IN THE FOREST
THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST

IN THE MOUNTAINS
THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST

**Join us every Thursday 10.30-11.30
for a short celebration and crafts.**

Most suitable for primary school aged children,
but all ages welcome.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Free to attend, no booking required

For more information, email
canon.missioner@manchestercathedral.org

Multi-Cultural Day

We are excited to announce that our school will be celebrating **Multicultural Day** again today! This special day is a wonderful opportunity for our children to explore, celebrate, and appreciate the rich diversity within our school community and beyond.

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Throughout the day, pupils will take part in a range of activities, including learning about different countries, cultures, traditions, music, and food. It's a fantastic way to promote understanding, respect, and curiosity about the world around us.

If you would like to contribute—by sharing experiences, artefacts, food ideas, or expertise—we would love to hear from you!

Children are warmly invited to come to school dressed in clothing that represents the flag from their country of interest. Please note that this is optional.

We are very much looking forward to a vibrant and enriching day for all.

EYFS – Spain

Year 1H – Italy

Year 1/2F – Mexico

Year 2F – China

Year 3 - France

Year 4 – Scotland

Year 5 – Turkey

Year 6 – Brazil

Sports Days

Key Stage 1 (Years 1H, 1/2F and 2F) on Monday 13th July at 9:15am. The gate to the field will be opened at 9am.

Key Stage 2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6) on Monday 13th July at 1:15pm. The gate to the field will be opened at 9am.

EYFS on Tuesday 14th July at 9:15am.

Please note that these dates are very dependent on the weather and if they need to change, we will notify you as soon as possible.

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Safeguarding – Restrictive Intervention

Our school is committed to ensuring the safety, dignity and wellbeing of every child, and therefore follows a clear Restrictive Intervention protocol that is used only as a last resort. Restrictive interventions—such as physical restraint or removal from a situation—are implemented solely to prevent immediate risk of harm to the pupil or others, and never as a form of punishment. Staff are fully trained to prioritise de-escalation strategies, positive behaviour support, and early intervention techniques to minimise the need for restrictive measures. When such an intervention is necessary, it is carried out using the least restrictive option for the shortest possible time, in line with national guidance. All incidents are carefully recorded, monitored, and reviewed, and parents or carers are informed promptly. Through this approach, we aim to maintain a safe, supportive environment while respecting the rights and individual needs of every child.

End of term performances update

We are excited to share some changes to our end-of-term performances:

- Years 1H, 1/2F and 2F will present a Musical Evening featuring singing and dancing. This will replace the traditional Key Stage 1 end-of-year concerts. As not every child wishes to take part, this is running as an optional after school club.
- Years 3 and 4 will join Key Stage 1 at the Musical Evening as the Worship Choir. This will take the place of their usual end-of-year concerts, and participation is also optional.
- Years 5 and 6 have been working hard in Theatre Club and will perform Wicked at the end of the summer term. This will take place of the Year 5 end-of-year concert.
- Year 6 will also perform The Lion King as their official end-of-year concert, celebrating their final performance at primary school.





Check 'Dates for your Diary' for the dates of the performances.

We feel this better reflects the needs of our children as not every child wants to stand on a stage in front of an audience and perform. We wanted to give our children the choice.

All Year 6 pupils will take part in *The Lion King*, however roles have been assigned with the children in mind, and they have also had the opportunity to express their preferences about the type of part they would like. Rehearsals also take place during the school day for Year 6 and this also forms part of the music curriculum, hence the need for all children to take part in some way.



#Wake up Wednesday

For more information, please take a look at the school website – online safety.

<https://www.stacksteads.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/computing/online-safety>



Picture News

TAKEHOME 6th - 12th July

What makes something popular?



In the news this week

Squishy dumpling toys have become popular with many children in recent months. Videos showing people squeezing, collecting, and opening the toys have helped them spread quickly online. As more people have bought these types of toys, Trading Standards officers have been called in to carry out safety checks on some of the products being sold in shops and online.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > What was your favourite toy when you were younger? How did you first hear about it?
- > Do you believe toys become popular because they are fun, because friends have them, or for another reason?
- > If you could invent a new toy, what would it be like, and how would you make it popular?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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What makes something popular?

Our wonderful Worship Warriors delivered our assembly this week – and what a wonderful job they did! We are very proud of them.

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Christian Value

Our Christian value for this half term is compassion.



Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.
Ephesians 4:32

Safeguarding Concerns

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any person have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform one of the school's designated safeguarding team.

DSL Tracy Walsh, Deputy DSL Debbie Burns and Deputy DSL Abigail Gorman.