



# Dalton St. Michael's C.E. Primary School

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

## Welcome Back!

Dear parents,

We are delighted to welcome all of our children and families back to school for the start of a new year. It has been wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled back into school life, showing such enthusiasm and readiness for learning. A special mention goes to our new Nursery children, who have made a fantastic start and are already becoming an important part of our school community. We are also very proud of our Year 6 children, who look so smart and grown-up in their blue jumpers – they are already setting a great example for the younger children.

All of our staff are excited about the year ahead and are looking forward to working closely with you to support every child's learning and development. As always, we would like to remind families about the importance of regular attendance and good punctuality. Learning begins promptly at 8:45 each morning, and arriving on time helps children to start the day positively and make the most of every learning opportunity.

We know that, when school and families work together, children thrive. Thank you for your continued support – we are looking forward to a happy, successful year filled with learning, friendship, and achievement for every child.

### **Meet the Teacher Sessions**

Each class will be having Meet the Teacher sessions over the next couple of weeks. Please try to attend these, even if your child has the same teacher, so that you don't miss any important information. These will take place in your child's classroom.

Reception – 9.00am Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Class 1 (Years 1 and 2) – 3.15pm Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Class 2 (Years 3 and 4) – 3.15pm Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Class 3 (Years 5 and 6) – 3.15pm Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

### **Teacher Led Afterschool Clubs**

From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September Teacher led Afterschool Clubs will resume from 3.15-4pm. These will be:

Monday – Class 2 Homework Club with Mrs Ball (Year 6 children are expected to attend)

Tuesday – Class 1 Sports Club with West Lancashire Sports Partnership

Wednesday – Class 1 Craft Club with Mrs Liversidge

Thursday – Junior Sports Club with Miss Lacey

Friday – Infant Football Club with Mr Attkins

On Tuesday lunchtimes Mrs Payne will be running a Gardening Club for all children who would like to attend.

Our paid after-school clubs, running until 5:00pm, continue to be available every evening. If you would like your child to attend, please contact the school office to make a booking.

#### **Data Forms**

Data forms will be sent home for each child. Even if there are no changes to your details, we kindly ask that all forms are completed and returned as soon as possible so that we can ensure our contact information is accurate.

We are proud to share the life of our school through Facebook and Instagram, and we rely heavily on these platforms, along with word of mouth, to promote our school. Children are never named in these posts. If you would prefer that your child does not appear in photos on our social media, please speak to Mr. Atkins.


#### **Open Day & Macmillan Coffee Morning**


We are excited to be holding our Open Day and Macmillan Coffee Morning on **Friday 11th October**. Please help us spread the word so that as many families as possible can see the fantastic things happening in our school. This event is not only for prospective Reception 2026 parents – we also have spaces available in Nursery and in some other year groups. If you know of any local places willing to display a poster, please let Mr. Atkins know, and he will be happy to provide A4 posters for distribution.


#### **Year 6 – High School Applications**


Several high schools will be holding open evenings before October half term. We strongly encourage families to attend as many as possible to gain a clear understanding of each school's strengths and opportunities. So far, the following dates have been confirmed:

- **Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic College** – 25th September
- **Lathom High School** – 26th September

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