

Nelson St Philip's C of E Primary School

We love to learn. We learn to love. With Christ as our Guide, we love and learn together.



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Spring Term Newsletter

Friday 9th January 2026

A very cold new year

The reception children have been having fun, playing, in the snow and learning about ice. They can tell us that ice is frozen water and that ice freezes at 0°C. That is brilliant knowledge and vocabulary reception.





Attendance Prize

Well done to all the amazing children, below, who have achieved 100% attendance in the Autumn Term. All children will be treated to a trip to the pantomime. Big Bradley Local have donated the Pantomime ticketes to attend the Municipal Hall to see Aladdin and school will fund the coaches.



Our Christian value this
week : Hope

During our Christingle Service, we thought
about the Hope that Jesus brings.



Our Christian Value Next Week:

Superstars of the Week

Pendle - Maheen Awaiss

Barley - Eesa Khaliq

Marsden - Abdul Rafay

Towneley - Samee Zaroor

Wycoller - Ehsan Razzaq



Appreciation



Appreciation is to recognise and enjoy the good qualities of someone or something.



We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers. (Thessalonians 1:2)



Collective Worship in School

Our Collective Worship theme next week is:

'Baptism' The Christian Value will be 'Appreciation.'

Please pass on any thoughts and ideas you may have about what you feel your child would benefit from knowing about this theme.



Class Attendance

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Class Pendle	93.21%
Class Barley	89.31%
Class Marsden	95.68%
Class Towneley	91.00%
Class Wyroller	97.89%

Whole School (Without Extended Leave)	93.11%
Whole School (With Extended Leave)	93.00%
(42 sessions of lost learning across school)	3.11%



Key Dates for the Spring Term 2026



Date and time	Event
Wednesday 14 th January 2026	Pantomime trip attendance award
Wednesday 21 st January 2026	Go Velo Cycle Coaching -Year five
Thursday 22nd January 2026	Go Velo Cycle Coaching -Year five
Thursday 29 th January	Sleeping Beauty Pantomime - Whole school
Monday 2 nd February 2026	Zoo Lab - Whole school
Friday 6th February 2026	NSPCC Number Day
Tuesday 10 th February 2026	Safer Internet Day - Whole school
Friday 13 th February 3.30 pm 2026	SCHOOL CLOSES
Monday 23 rd February 8.55 am 2026	SCHOOL REOPENS

Please read our Vision Statement below and pass on any thoughts and ideas you may have about it.

Our school vision influences every aspect of school life, is at the forefront of all our thoughts and prayers and is at the heart of our environment. Thank you

Our Vision Statement

We love to learn. We learn to love.

With Christ as our Guide,
we love and learn together.

*'God is love, and all who live in love live in God,
and God lives in them.'
(1 John 4:16)*

Living out our vision, we aim to:

Guide our children to prepare them for life; Respect themselves and one another; Aspire to achieve their highest potential; Care for the local and wider community; Every child is special in God's eyes.

G R A C E
Guide Respect Aspire Care Each of us is special

Please find below the menu for week commencing: 12th January 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Main	Main	Main	Main
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Cheese Sandwich
Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich
Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Egg Sandwich
Egg Sandwich	Egg Sandwich	Egg Sandwich	Egg Sandwich	Battered Fish with Chips and Mushy Peas
Loaded Pizza Panini, Paprika Wedges & Garden Peas	Quorn Goujons, Katsu Curry Sauce with Rainbow Rice	Vegetarian Sausages, Yorkshire Pudding with Mash	Omelette with Potato Wedges and Baked Beans	Pizza with Chips and Sweetcorn
Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch

Emails, Texts, and the School Website

It is vital that you check and read all emails and texts sent from school so that you are kept up to date with important information. Please keep checking our school website too as you will find further information there, including a weekly newsletter.

Absences from school

It is essential that school is notified by telephone (01282 614463) before 8.55am on the first day of absence. If the school is not informed, then enquiries as to the child's whereabouts will be made. If possible, could parents make any medical appointments out of school hours so that your child's education is not disrupted. If, however you do need to take your child out of school, an appointment card will need to be filled in. These are available in the school office. Please note: if your child has not arrived in school and ordered a school lunch before 9.30am, parents will need to bring in a packed lunch for their child(ren).

GUIDING AT ST. PHILIP'S

Friday – St. Philip's Church Centre, Leeds Road, Nelson



	Age	Time
Rainbows	4 - 7 years	5.00pm – 6.15pm
Brownies	7 - 11 years	6.15pm – 7.30pm
Guides	10 - 14 years	7.30pm – 9.00pm
Rangers	14 - 18 years	7.30pm – 9.00pm



Why not come and visit us or for more information, please ring: -

Sheila 07974 786058



**TO JOIN IN THE FUN,
YOU'LL HAVE TO COME**



18th Pendle Scouting Group

St. John's Church Centre, Barkerhouse Road, Nelson

Meetings are on a Tuesday night



	Age	Time
Beavers	6 - 8 years	6.30pm – 7.30pm
Cubs	8 - 10½ years	6.30pm – 7.30pm

Why not visit us on a Tuesday evening, or for more information, please ring:-

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BEAVERS

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Important Reminders

1. Footwear

- We have noticed several children in school wearing boots or trainers as part of their school uniform. In line with our School Uniform Policy, pupils **must** wear plain black shoes. Trainers may be worn on PE days only.
- During winter months children are allowed to wear sensible plain black boots on the journey to/from school but must change into school shoes upon arrival to their classroom.

2. End of the school day

- We have had an increase in children being collected late at the end of the school day. As a reminder, KS1 pupils finish at 3.25pm and KS2 pupils finish at 3.30pm.
- Children **must** be collected by 3.30pm, with the exception of attendance at an after-school club, when they must be collected at 4.15pm.
- When children are collected late it causes disruption to after school clubs and staff meetings/training.
- If you have an emergency and are unable to collect your child(ren) on time, please inform the school office.

School Uniform Reminders:

Boys

Royal Blue sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)
Dark trousers
Plain black/grey socks
White polo/cotton shirt

Girls

Royal Blue sweatshirt/cardigan (preferably with school logo)
Dark skirt or trousers
Plain socks, tights or shalwar (black, grey or white)
White Polo/Cotton Shirt
In the summer girls may wear a pale blue checked dress

We expect all children to wear full school uniform every day. This includes plain black school shoes with a sensible heel, not trainers and no logos. If children have a problem with their usual school shoes, they must wear their black school pumps whilst in school. During winter months children are allowed to wear sensible plain black boots on the journey to/from school but must change into school shoes upon arrival to their classroom.

- The children are expected to keep their shirts tucked in if they remove their jumpers and not to have their jumpers around their waist, as we want high standards from our pupils, including their uniform presentation.
- It is the School's Governors' Policy that all children do not wear scarves of any type, in our school or in our school grounds, in view of their age and in the interests of health and safety.
- **Please ensure that all items of clothing are named** – then they can be returned to your child if the items become lost. Jewellery is not allowed in school. **Pupils should not wear rings, bracelets, necklaces, or earrings in school.** Inexpensive wristwatches are allowed.