

NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term | October 23rd 2026



Stars of the week

Class	Stars	Readers of the week	Attendance
Barlow/Beesley (EYFS)			92.30%
Finch	Gracie-Mae and Johan	Kyle	89.70%
Haydock	Oscar and Elsie	Sofia	96%
Marsden	Pawel and Lena	Arushi	96.80%
Mary	Aiden Joseph and Maria S	Noah	94%
Rigby	George and Sienna P	Chloe	92.40%
Southworth	Bridgett and Ishaan	Noah	96%
Ward	Charlie and Tawana	Prabudwin	100%
Woodcock	Anuoluwapo and Alice	David L	92.30%

Well Done to
Ward class on
100%
Attendance this
week!



School
Attendance
95.5%

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- We are a smoke and vape free site, no vaping or smoking is permitted on the School Grounds
- We are an allergy aware school and we ask that no child brings nuts in their packed lunches
- The play equipment should not be used before and after school, please ensure your child is not using it during these times.

upcoming EVENTS

Friday 23rd October School Closes at 3:15pm for Half Term Break
Monday 2nd November INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd November 8:45am School reopens for the Autumn Term
Wednesday 4th November Flu Vaccinations in School
Wednesday 4th November Whole School Mass
Monday 9th November Odd Socks Day
Monday 9th-Friday 13th November Anti-Bullying Week



Classroom Monthly News

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We've had a wonderful half-term in Haydock class. The children are working really hard on their handwriting. In maths we have been doing lots of work on our number bonds to 10 and then 100. I've challenged the children to do some extra practice at home and some children have shown me how they have been doing this. Have a wonderful half-term break.

Ward Class have been working extremely hard! They've been enjoying their English unit, looking at hybrid texts and writing a discussion text about whether we should have school uniform or not. In Computing, they have been looking at databases and how to sort and group data. In P.E, they have been looking at dance and in History they have been learning about the Anglo-Saxons.

Rigby Class have had a great first half term! In English they have been writing a story based on a plot, linked to our previous learning about the Loch Ness Monster. They have been looking at area of shapes in Maths and the Creation story in RE and Saints of Creation.

In Marsden Class, in English, the children have been writing their own folktale based on 'The 3 Wishes' book. In science, the children have been learning how to plan their own scientific investigations and in history, they have been learning how World War 2 affected the Home Front.

Woodcock have worked on hard on their English work this half term. They have written a fantasy narrative thinking about sentence structure for effect. In maths, they have also worked really hard on learning long multiplication and division, I have been so impressed with their efforts and resilience. In science, we have carried out many practical investigation to discover the different properties of materials and in PE we have worked brilliantly in groups to choreograph a dance related to recipes.

The children have settled brilliantly into school life, learning new routines and building positive relationships with both their friends and the adults in school. We are incredibly proud of how well they have adapted to their new environment and embraced all the exciting opportunities that Reception has to offer. This half term, our topic has been 'Superheroes Like Me', where the children have explored the important roles that people in our community play. We have been very fortunate to welcome several special visitors, including a vet, representatives from the North West Ambulance Service, and the Police. We also enjoyed learning from a resource box kindly provided by Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service. These experiences have helped the children understand how different people help us every day and inspired lots of wonderful discussions and role-play. As part of our learning about our local community, the children also visited our church and had the opportunity to meet Father Mark, who shared information about the church and its important role within our community.

In Mathematics, the children have been developing their early number skills by subitising amounts up to 4 and learning how to touch count accurately. They have shown great enthusiasm and confidence when exploring numbers through practical activities and games.

We are so proud of everything the children have achieved this half term and look forward to another exciting half term. Well done, Beesley Class! 🐝🌟

We have had a great first half term in Finch Class. The children have really enjoyed our English unit writing sentences about Harry and the Happy mouse. In Maths, we have worked hard working with numbers up to 10, looking at adding and subtracting them. In Geography, we have hot and cold continents.

Mary class have been innovating their own folktale in English this week, creating new characters and using adventurous adjectives to describe their character and setting. In Maths they have continued to explore addition and subtraction and how to use partitioning and number bonds to help work out their answer. They also attended mass this week and show fantastic listening skills, especially during the homily where many of the children gave some lovely responses to Fathers questions.

In Southworth Class, during English this week, we have started writing our own non-chronological reports. Our reports are based on ancient, mythical creatures that we have been researching and exploring during the reading phase and gathering content phase of our unit. Some of the mythical creatures that we have written about our a Minotaur, Cerberus and Gorgon. We have been excitedly writing all about their appearance, habitat, diet and their behaviour.

In Maths we have started our multiplication and division unit. We have been looking at multiples and common multiplies, factors and common factors.

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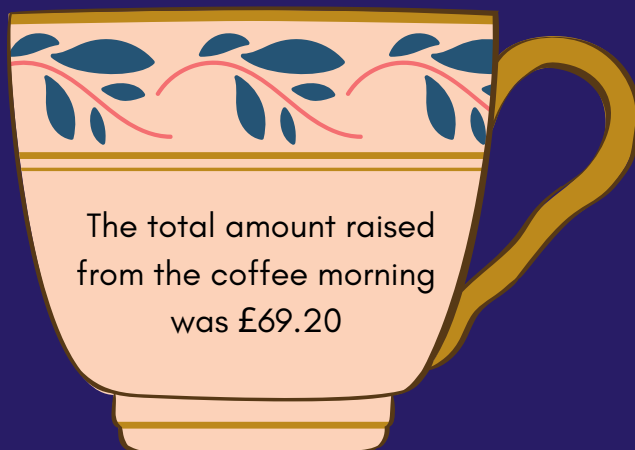
FOOD BANK

After half term is Whole School's turn for donations to the local foodbank. The children have all week to bring items in for the foodbank (pasta, tinned food/packets etc). Anyone bringing in items will receive a class reward

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the Autumn Term on
Tuesday 3rd November
8:45am



Anti-bullying Week - From the 9th -13th November is Anti-Bullying Week. There. 'Odd Socks Day' is taking place on Monday 9th November, children being encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!



**DID YOU
KNOW?**

 Ancient Celts celebrated a festival called **Samhain** (pronounced "Sow-in"), which helped inspire Halloween traditions.