St. Thomas the Martyr

Church of England Primary School

NEWSLETTER – 2ND OCTOBER 2026

Growing and Achieving Together

PRAYER

Dear Lord, we pray our school will be filled with love, we pray our learning will be full of truth, we pray our playground will be filled with joy, we pray our teachers will be full of wisdom. Amen

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Thank you all for your continued support. Make sure your children are in school every day on time so they don't miss out. If your child is absent through illness, contact the school office via the school app.

The Harvest Festival assembly takes place on Monday 5th October at 9am. Families are welcome to attend and children can donate a non-perishable food item for the Up Holland Community Hub Food Bank. Thank you for your support. Thank you to the families who were able to support the Beacon Explorers club this week. The next one takes place on Thursday 26th November. As a school community we live our vision & values always. We appreciate the good relationships with our families & we look forward to meeting you at Parents Evening.

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Inspirational RE

Vicar Paul joined the Year 6 on Tuesday, to talk about, feelings, inspirations and being proud of our unique personalities, which could lead us on great paths in life. They learnt to be grateful for what they have, to be confident and widen their horizons to become better people and have better experiences, that will socially enable them to cope with many situations ahead.



Year 1 & Year 2 Football Tournament

Well done to our Year 1 and 2 footballers who participated in the tournament at the JMO on Tuesday. The children played with passion, enthusiasm and determination against children from local primary schools.



Beacon Explorers

A big thank you to Paul, Hilary and their team from St Thomas the Martyr Parish Church who delivered the first Beacon Explorers session at school on Thursday 1st October. We would love to see more families attend the next one, but thank you to the families who attended and enjoyed the fun!



Y6 First Aid Training

On Tuesday 29th September 2026, the Year 6 children participated in a hands on First Aid session in which they learnt important life-saving skills.



High 5 Tournament

Our Year 6 played with enthusiasm and great team work against local schools on Wednesday. Coaches Jennings and Tyrer were delighted with the team at the West Lancashire Sports event.



Raffle

One of our parents who is an artist has kindly donated an art work money box and framed artwork which we are raffling to raise funds for Theo. 50p per ticket or 3 for £1 from the office!



Autumn 2026 Key Dates

Event	Date
Harvest Festival – 9am	Monday 5th October
Parents evenings – 3.30pm – 5.45pm	Wednesday 7th October 1 of 2
Parents evenings – 3.30pm until 5.45pm	Wednesday 14th October 2 of 2
Year 6 class assembly - Respect	Friday 16th October @ 2.30pm
School closes for half term	Wednesday 21st October
School Opens	Monday 2nd November
Individual school photographs	Tuesday 3rd November
TRI KIDZ – Years 1 - 6	Thursday 5th November
Year 3 class assembly - Perseverance	Friday 20th November @ 2.30pm
Beacon Explorers Club – children and families	Thursday 26th November @ 3.15pm – 4pm
KS1 Nativity	Wednesday 2nd December @ 10am and 5pm
Santa's Craft House – Family Event	Monday 7th December 1.15pm – 3.15pm
Christmas Fayre	Wednesday 9th Dec – 3.30pm until 5pm
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	Thursday 10th December
EYFS Nativity	Thursday 10th December @ 10.30am
EYFS Nativity	Friday 11th December @ 10.30am
2-Year-Old Nativity	Monday 14th December @ 10.30am
ACE Treat – One from Rec to Year 6	Monday 14th December @ 1pm
Breakfast with Santa	Tuesday 15th December
EYFS Christmas party	Tuesday 15th December (AM)
KS1 Christmas party	Tuesday 15th December (PM)
KS2 Christmas party	Wednesday 16th December (PM)
Eucharist	Thursday 17th December @ 9.10am
Last Day for 2-year-old and Big Nursery	Thursday 17th December
Wear Christmas jumpers -School closes 2pm	Friday 18th December
School Opens	Monday 4th January 2027

Thank you, for all your continued support, Mr. Roscoe & all at St Thomas the Martyr CE.

MAY ALL THAT WE DO BE DONE WITH LOVE" - Corinthians 16:14