



Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the very last issue of the term. Earlier in the week, we enjoyed the whole school awards ceremony on MS Teams where we celebrated all the achievements of the children. Such a lot of wonderful learning and growing has taken place and we are proud of each and every child. As the term draws to a close, we enjoyed a lovely Easter Service at Edenfield Parish Church. Thank you to those who joined us and supported the children. The service was largely led by Years 5 and 6 who presented the Easter Story through drama. The children captured both the disappointment, and ultimate joy, of the story which climaxed with the death and resurrection of Jesus. Years 3 and 4 also contributed with a selection of prayers and poems and all of the school raised the roof singing our favourite Easter hymns.

PGL

Last week, Years 5 and 6 had a wonderful stay during their residential visit to PGL, in Shropshire. The children enjoyed an action packed three days taking part in activities including: archery, abseiling, survival challenges, canoeing, high ropes and much, much more. They showed independence, resilience and determination throughout the visit. The children were wonderful ambassadors for the school and a pleasure to lead and support. The PGL staff were incredibly impressed with their behaviour and positive attitude. Thank you to Mrs Hartley for organising the visit and to the other staff, Mr Holt, Miss Greenhalgh, and Miss Booth for accompanying the children on this three day visit. We also want to express a special thank you to our amazing volunteers, Mr John Jones, Mr Phil Johnson and Mr Charles White who once again joined the school on the trip. We would not be able to deliver these visits if it were not for the staff and volunteers giving up their own spare time as well as time with their families – we are very fortunate, as well as grateful to them. The children will be leading a presentation for Parents all about their stay on Friday 25th April, here in school. Please do come and join us to celebrate the children's achievements. In the meantime, please enjoy the photographs overleaf.

Stratford

It was a very busy week for Y6 as, on 28th March, they visited Stratford to enjoy a range of experiences to support their study of Shakespeare. The day started at Mary Arden's Farm on the outskirts of the town where the children participated in a drama workshop based on ***A Midsummer Night's Dream***. After lunch, the children were transported to the town centre to visit Shakespeare's school where they experienced a typical sixteenth century lesson with the Tudor master, including learning Latin before practising how to write with a feather quill and ink. They also had the opportunity to dress up as Tudor school children. The day ended with tea at a restaurant. A wonderful day was enjoyed by all.



Last Choir Singing

On Monday, Singing Club took part in the last Choir Singing Competition at the Muni Theatre, Colne. The children performed the two songs, *Cat's Song* (the competition set song) and *Yellow* (Coldplay), beautifully, and in perfect harmony. The children were awarded first place winners of the heat and will now participate in the Grand Final at Blackpool Opera House on 1st July. Big congratulations to Singing Club on this fantastic achievement!



PTA Disco and Cake Sale

The PTA have asked me to express their sincere thanks for your support of the two discos which took place yesterday at Rossendale Rugby Club. The children had the time of their lives and you have helped to raise over £1100 for school funds. Please may I take this opportunity to thank all of those parents who gave up their time to organise and host the discos – we are very grateful and will ensure we use the funds raised carefully to enhance resources for all of our pupils.

The disco was swiftly followed by the return of the end of term cake sale which has been very much missed by the children. Thank you to all those who baked and contributed goods for the sale. The children are delighted to see the stall back in place to signify the end of the term. Thank you also to the PTA for organising and manning the stalls. We will confirm the amount raised in the next issue.

Epic

This week Class 5 are EPIC because ...

In this period of Lent, Year 5 reflected on 'How the Easter story and the challenges faced by Jesus, can help us to face different dilemmas and decisions'. They held this in their thoughts as they approached their residential activity holiday PGL last week. Year 5 carried forwards the Biblical quote 'Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you'. They applied Jesus's advice throughout their time away and supported and guided each other.

Later, they explored the symbols of Easter and linked these to various signs and emotions. They thought about new life, resurrection and forgiveness whilst considering the events of the Easter story. This culminated in their re-enactment in the Easter service where they demonstrated the crucifixion and Jesus dying on the cross for our sins. Finally, Year 5 thought about the quote from John 3:16 'For God so loved the world, he gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life'.

Worship

As we have explored the Easter story, we have considered all the symbols which appear. Christians believe that because Jesus died and was resurrected, instead of a symbol of sadness, the cross can also be a symbol of hope and remind us how much God loves us and cares for us. Christians believe:

- We are really precious to God, like treasure, and he came down to earth to find his treasure
- God loves the world so much that he sent his son, Jesus into the world
- Jesus loves us so much that he chose to die on the cross for the sins of others

We thought about other symbols that may be special to us and why these are significant and prayed:

Dear God,

Thank you for Easter and for the cross.

Thank you for everything that it represents.

Thank you for your amazing love for us.

Please help us to better understand what it means.

Amen.

As we approach the Easter period, we will continue to reflect on this special time and the important lessons Jesus teaches us.

All that remains is to wish you all a very Happy Easter and a lovely holiday. I hope that you all share special times with your families and loved ones. We look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday** 22nd April.

Warm wishes,

C. L. Garner

Guided by God, following in his footsteps

Our vision is theologically centred on Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path

A Week In Pictures



Class 6

Class 6 had a fantastic time in Stratford-Upon-Avon visiting Mary Arden's Farm where they performed William Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. They also visited the Shakespeare School House and Guildhall where they were immersed in school life in the 1500s.



Class 4

Class 4 enjoyed making masks during their Mayan day.



Class 5

Class 5 made beautiful Mother's Day cards this week.



Class 3

Class 3 had a brilliant time in Chester. They marched through the streets pretending to be Roman soldiers and explored a replica Roman village.



Class 1

Class 1 enjoyed learning about the animals that inhabit the Galapagos Islands and live nowhere else in the world.



Class 2

Class 2 enjoyed playing 'fastest finger first' during a challenging spelling session working on homophones **to**, **too** and **two**.



Class Reception

Class Reception enjoyed taking part in a special wedding celebration in Papua New Guinea (otherwise known as the wildlife area).

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Extra-Curricular Activities Summer Term 2025

All extra-curricular clubs have now ended. Details of the new after-school clubs on offer will be sent home, when we return in April.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 22 nd Apr	School re-opens
Thurs 24 th Apr	Class 5 visit to World Museum Liverpool
Fri 25 th Apr	PGL assembly, in school, 9.15am
Fri 2 nd May	INSET day
Mon 5 th May	May bank holiday
Wed 7 th May	Class R Learn to Ride
Thurs 8 th May	Class R Learn to Ride
Fri 9 th May	Class R Learn to Ride
w/c 12 th May	Class 6 Testing Week
Wed 14 th May	Class 1 visit to Smithills Farm
Fri 23 rd May	School closes for half term
Mon 2 nd Jun	INSET day
Tues 3 rd Jun	School re-opens
Thurs 5 th Jun	Class 6 visit to Field Studies Council
Tues 10 th Jun	Class 3 visit to Brockholes Nature Reserve
Wed 18 th Jun	Leavers' Service at Manchester Cathedral
Thurs 19 th Jun	Class 5 visit to Tatton Park, Cheshire
Tues 24 th Jun	Class photographs
Thurs 26 th Jun	Class 2 visit to Blackpool Tower and Lytham Beach
Tues 1 st Jul	Last Choir Singing Final, Blackpool Opera House

(Additional dates may be added throughout the term)

Toast

If you would like your child to receive toast for the next half term, the cost is £4.40.

Please make payment via ParentPay, by 9.00am on Tuesday 22nd April. If you make payment after this deadline, please contact the school office to make us aware.

Dinner Debts

A reminder, as per our School Meal Arrangements, Payment and Debt Policy, all school meals should be paid for in advance. ParentPay will allow you to apply credit to your account daily, weekly, monthly or adhoc. Therefore no debit balances should appear on your account. Thank you to everyone for supporting this policy.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office as soon as possible.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Friday 28th March

Reception Class: Sebastian World, Isobel Cunliff

Class 1: Frazier Flanagan, Sebastian Rawstron

Class 2: Alex Irwin, Esme Hayhoe

Class 3: Oscar Scully, Sophie Denton

Class 4: Alexander Law, Ailsa Schofield

Class 5: Tilly-Rose Taylor, All of Class 5

Class 6: All of Class 6

Wednesday 2nd April

Reception Class: Hartley Hamblet, Matilda Sales

Class 1: Indie Cunliff, All of Class 1

Class 2: Erin Worthington, Emily Brooke-Steel

Class 3: Jack Bowler, Louie Reid

Class 4: Natasha Riley, Elliot James

Class 5: Annabelle Capell, Minnie Chapelhow

Class 6: Lily Sims, Henry Monaghan

Readathon

Readathon sponsorship money can be paid via ParentPay. If you would prefer to bring donated monies, we can accommodate this due to it being a fundraiser.

School website

Can we remind parents that letters, newsletters and term dates can also be found on the school website.

Personal Items

Please ensure that all personal items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

We will check for names before placing items in the lost property.

Reminder - water bottle each day

Please can we remind you to send a water bottle every day with your child. It is important that they can keep hydrated throughout the school day. These can be refilled at school as necessary.

Thought of the Week

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..."

John chapter 3 verse 16