



Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to this issue of the newsletter. I hope you all enjoyed the extended bank holiday weekend.

Netball and Cricket Success

A team of children from Years 5 and 6 took part in a netball qualifier on Tuesday 5th May at Haslingden High School. They played three matches and their skills and confidence improved each match. They won one, drew one and lost the final match by only one goal. Miss Harris was extremely proud of the passion and teamwork demonstrated throughout the matches. The team finished second place and therefore qualify for the final on Tuesday 9th June. Good luck netball team!



There was more sporting success for the Year 3 and 4 cricket team who played in the cricket qualifier in Bacup, last week. Following a brilliant performance, they won their matches and are now through to the final on 20th May. Again we wish the cricket team lots of luck for the final.

Science Week

Curiosity

What's your question?

Science week will be taking place in school week commencing Monday 18th May. Each class will be carrying out several investigations related to the theme of 'Curiosity' as the children develop their working scientifically and questioning skills even further. There will be a number of different investigations taking place across the week, including finding out how objects fly, float and move.

We will be celebrating all of this wonderful science work by hosting the annual science exhibition, here in school, between 2:00pm and 3:00pm on Friday 22nd May. Each class will be sharing their work from the week with a range of exhibitions in the hall and the different classrooms. There will be opportunities to look at photographs, see investigations and find out more about what the children have learned. We hope to see you there!

The PTA will also be hosting a cake sale after school, on this date, to celebrate the end of the half term. Remember to bring your change!

SATS

Next week, the Y6 pupils will be sitting their end of key stage statutory tests. The children have worked extremely hard across all areas of the curriculum and we are all very proud of the children's positive attitude, conscientious approach and achievements. The children are more than ready for the challenge and we have no doubt they will all do their very best and achieve super results. Please remember the children are invited to attend school early each day, from 8:45am to enjoy a special breakfast of either sausage sandwiches or waffles. Thank you to Mrs Johnson for preparing and serving this extra meal and to Mrs Rhodes for doing the extra shopping! I know you will join me in wishing all the children the very best on 11th May.

Summer Fair and Fun Run

As you know, the **Summer Fair** and **Big Run** will take place on 27th June and a flyer about the run will be sent home very soon. This year, the theme will be the FIFA World Cup (always a popular choice). Participants will be asked to dress up and we will be decorating the school and grounds.

As last year, the run will start at the slightly earlier time of 9:30am and the fair will open at 10am for refreshments and browsing only. All stalls and activities will then open at 10:15am. Weather permitting, there will be a range of activities and stalls outside which can also be accessed whilst the run is taking place. The **Big Run** is very much a fun run and family event – all abilities and age groups are warmly encouraged to take part and this might mean walking the route for some groups. Run ... walk ... the choice is yours – please come along to enjoy the family atmosphere, fresh air and scenic route.

EPIC

This week Class 3 are EPIC because ...

They have been learning how the Bible teaches many important lessons about forgiveness, perseverance and learning from our mistakes. They explored how, throughout the Bible, people often made wrong choices, but they were encouraged to learn, grow, and try again. Verses such as Proverbs 24:16 reminded the class that even when good people fail, they can get back up and continue. The children are always thinking about how they can learn from their mistakes and are encouraged to be the best version of themselves, just like God wants them to be.

The Bible also teaches the importance of forgiveness. In Ephesians 4:32, Christians are encouraged to be kind and forgive others just as God forgives us. In Class 3, the children have been thinking about the kind of world Jesus wants. They have studied the actions Jesus demonstrated towards other people and what example these actions set for the children to follow today.

All that remains to wish you a lovely weekend.

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

Week In Pictures



Class 3

Class 3 visited Class 1, as part of their PSHE unit, to discuss emotions and how to manage their feelings.



Class 1

Class 1 enjoyed learning *The Animals went in Two by Two* and looking at the repetitive language.



Class 5

Class 5 used maps and atlases to locate and name counties in the UK.



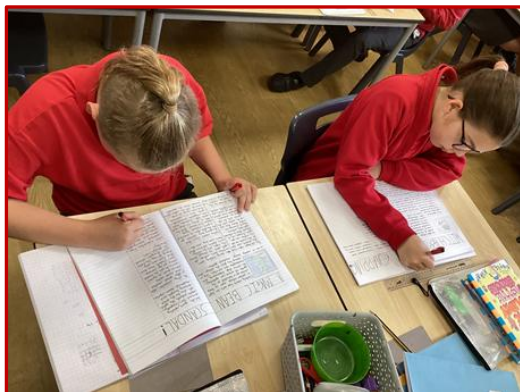
Class 2

Class 2 discussed keeping their teeth clean and healthy in PSHE. They sang a song and made up actions to this.



Class 4

Class 4 designed and made a paper sewing pattern for an iPad cover in Design Technology.



Class 6

Class 6 enjoyed writing their independent newspaper reports about their favourite fairy tales.



Class Reception

Class Reception made observational drawings of real garden snails!

Extra-Curricular Activities

Summer Term 2026

Clubs take place from the end of the school day until 4.15pm unless otherwise indicated.

Day	Activity	Year Group
Tues	Ethos and Compassion Committee	Year 6 (during school day)
Tues	Skiing	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (until 5pm)
Tues	Lego Club	Year 1
Tues	Infant Sports	Year 2 (summer term 1)
Tues	Mindful Movement	Years 3 and 4
Tues	Gardening	Years 3 and 4 (summer term 2)
Tues	Netball	Years 5 and 6 (summer term 1)
Tues	Running	Years 5 and 6 (summer term 2)
Weds	Equality Champions	Year 6 (during school day)
Weds	Singing Club	Years 4, 5 and 6
Weds	Art Club	Year 3 (summer term 1) Year 2 (summer term 2)
Thurs	Horse Riding	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (until 5pm)
Thurs	Kickboxing	Year 1 (summer term 1) Year 2 (summer term 2)
Thurs	Mixed Football	Years 5 and 6 (summer term 1)
Thurs	Digital Leaders	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (Lunchtime club)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

w/c 11 th May	Class 6 Testing Week
Mon 11 th May	Class R Learn to Ride
Tues 12 th May	Class R Learn to Ride
Wed 13 th May	Class R Learn to Ride
Tues 19 th May	Class 1 Smithills Farm (Please note change of date)
Fri 22 nd May	School closes for half term
Mon 1 st Jun	INSET day
Tues 2 nd Jun	INSET day
Wed 3 rd Jun	School re-opens
Thurs 4 th Jun	Class 3 visit to Kenyon Hall Farm
Mon 8 th Jun	Class 5 Taster Day at HHS (pupils only)
Tues 9 th Jun	Class 6 visit to Museum of Lancashire
Mon 15 th Jun	Class 5 visit to Tatton Hall
Wed 17 th Jun	Last Choir Singing Final, Blackpool Opera House
Thurs 18 th Jun	Class 4 visit to Lunt Meadows
w/c 22 nd Jun	Sports week
Tues 23 rd Jun	Class photographs
Thurs 25 th Jun	Class 2 visit to Blackpool Tower and Lytham Beach
Sat 27 th Jun	Summer Fair and Fun Run
w/c 29 th Jun	Sports day
Mon 29 th Jun	Singing Club, Where Will Music Take You? At Bridgewater Hall
Wed 1 st Jul	Leavers' Service at Manchester Cathedral

(Additional dates may be added throughout the term)



STARS OF THE WEEK



Thursday 31st April

Reception Class: Isla Barnes, Arthur Hamer

Class 1: Matilda Sales, Elliott Higgs

Class 2: Ailey Chadwick, Gabriel Riley

Class 3: Lucas Higginbotham, Lia Stannard

Class 4: Sebastian Smethurst, Esmie Dickinson

Class 5: Brianna Flanagan, Tabitha Preston

Class 6: Jack Seal, Connie Formby

Friday 8th May

Reception Class: Emma Waller, Nina Forouzanfar

Class 1: Darcie Ashworth, Lillie Dickinson

Class 2: Jude Doyle, Sebastian Gray

Class 3: Ivana Holt, Alex Irwin

Class 4: Luke Littlewood, Millie Tozer

Class 5: Jorgie Reid, Ailsa Schofield

Class 6: Freddie Hulme, Sophia Mahgoub

PTA Cake Sale

The PTA will be holding a cake sale on Friday 22nd May after the science exhibition.

Payment with coins only please, no notes.

All offers of cakes and biscuits gratefully received! Please bring donations to school on the morning of the 22nd.

Thank you.

Contact Details

Please inform the school office of any changes to personal details. It is imperative that emergency contact details and email addresses are kept up to date.

Last Choir Singing 2026 Grand Final

The Last Choir Singing 2026 Grand Final, will be held at The Opera House, Winter Gardens, Blackpool on Wednesday 17th June. Tickets for the final are on sale and can be purchased online <https://www.lastchoirsinging.co.uk/final>

Where Will Music Take You?

Singing Club will be performing at Bridgewater Hall, Manchester on Monday 29th June. Tickets are on sale and can be purchased online from, <http://www.bridgewaterhall.co.uk/whats-on/lancashire-music-hub-290626>

Thought of the week

Peace begins with a smile.

Mother Teresa