



St John the Baptist RC Primary

Preparing the Way

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**Friday 2nd May
2025**

5th May
School closed for
Bank holiday

8th May
VE Day 80th
anniversary

12th - 16th May
Year 6 SATs week

14th May
Class 5 River Study
at Towneley.
Please see
separate letter

Beat the Streets
starts – info to
follow

16th May
Classes 4 and 5 at
Salford Songbook
launch. Please see
separate letter

19th May
Class 6 at Burnley
College for Crucial
Crew event. Please
see separate letter

23rd May
May Procession in
honour of Our
Blessed Virgin
Mary

Sunday's Gospel

Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered Him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some."

John 21:5-6

May Bank Holiday

Please be reminded that **the school is closed on Monday 5th May** as it is the May Day Bank Holiday.

Romero Trust CEO Visit

We are delighted to welcome our Trust CEO, Katy Cox to school on Tuesday 6th May. She will be spending time in each class and meeting staff.

SATS Companion

Well done to George in Class 7 who is still top of the SATS Companion Leaderboard this week, closely followed by Tessa and Kai.

ELCAS Mental Health Drop in Sessions

ELCAS are running drop-in sessions for young people (under 18) or anyone concerned about a young person's mental health in May. These sessions provide a safe and confidential space to discuss any worries, access support and get guidance from trained professionals. Please see the attached poster.

TTR

Class 5 has the best participation this week with 100% of the class playing.

Most played this week:

Class 3 Jiyaan
Class 4 Eshaan
Class 5 Clare
Class 6 Jessica
Class 7 Ice

Our top performers this week are Clare (Class 5) Joseph (Class 3) and Harvey (Class 5) who have the most correct answers this week.



WoW Walk to School

Today your child should bring home their April badge. Remember to earn a badge you just need to walk, wheel or park and stride once a week during each month.

Lancashire Adult Learning

Lancashire Adult Learning are running a free online reading workshop on 7th May or 14th May looking at ways in which you can read with your child. See attached poster for details.

Rosary Club

May is the month dedicated to Mary, the mother of God. As part of our devotions to Our Lady, we will be saying a decade of the Rosary each Friday morning in May at 8:35am at the Sacred Space. Parents and carers are most welcome to join us.



This week's winners

| | Class Winners | Reader of the Week | Writer of the Week |
|---------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Class 1 | Thea | Denni | Matteo |
| Class 2 | Marcy | Yazh | Hanna |
| Class 3 | Felix | Evan | Aaron |
| Class 4 | Aiden | Lilly | David |
| Class 5 | Joshua | Anthony | Jaden |
| Class 6 | Daniel | Oliver | Hakeem |
| Class 7 | Lucas | Niamh | Alexis |

Faith Life Winners: Ferdinand Class 7

Head Teacher's Award: Anisha Class 5

Weekly Attendance: Class 5

No Mow May

You may notice in the next few weeks some areas of the school grounds will be left unmown. This is part of our commitment to Laudato Si. By leaving some parts uncut, we aim to encourage bees, butterflies and other insects. Please see the attached poster.

Please follow the link to the No Mow May website for more information:

<https://www.plantlife.org.uk/campaigns/nomowmay/>

Faith News

May is a busy month in the Church's year. Please see the attached newsletter with more information:

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Reading Challenge

Well done to Azaad, Ksawery and Leo A from Class 2 who have earned their Bronze Reading Challenge Award this week. Congratulations to Daniel in Class 3 who has been awarded his Silver Reading Challenge Award.

VE Day

To commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE day, all classes will be watching a special on line theatre production of 'During the war' which follows the lives of a 1940s family, sharing the ups and downs of life during wartime.



There will also be a special VE themed lunch. If you would like your child to have this lunch, they will need to order with their class teacher on the day. This is to be paid for via ParentPay in the usual way. Please see attached poster

Phonics

This week's phonics learning:

Class 1

Reading CCVC words - **frost, crisp, plant, plump, flags**

Adding ed making a /d/ sound- **joined, burned, stormed, smelled**

Class 2

During this term, Class 2 will be preparing for their Phonics Screening Check by revisiting and revising all Phase 3, 4 and 5 sounds. Please see separate letters.

Please contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding our phonics scheme.





Lancashire &
South Cumbria
NHS Foundation Trust

East Lancashire Young People's Mental Health

Concerned about your Mental Health?

Are you under 18 or concerned about someone under 18?

Advice sessions are available on-line via

'Attend Anywhere'

Delivered by ELCAS

tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT



Enter the word "ELCAS" as the first name and "drop in" as the second name followed by your date of birth. You will then enter our virtual waiting area where we will collect you.

Wednesday 7th May 2025

1pm - 3pm

Wednesday 14th May 2025

3pm - 5pm

Wednesday 21st May 2025

5pm - 7pm

Wednesday 28th May 2025

1pm - 3pm



Give Power to the Flowers

Whether you're in a city, town or the countryside, pack away your lawnmower and allow wildflowers to bloom freely on your lawn. Starting this May, give power to the flowers.

Approximately 97% of flower-rich meadows have been lost since the 1930s. With them we have also lost vital food needed by pollinators like bees and butterflies. Leaving a mix of grass lengths in your lawn from #NoMowMay and beyond means you're giving nature the boost it deserves.

With more than 23 million gardens in the UK even the smallest wild patch can make a difference. You can help provide vital food needed by bees and butterflies and connect with nature on your doorstep.

Join the #NoMowMay movement at plantlife.org.uk/nomowmay





STORY WORKSHOP

Unlock your imagination with the fun, inspiring and engaging session aimed to help you and your child read together!

WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY OR 14TH MAY

6PM - 7.30PM

LET'S CELEBRATE SHARE A STORY MONTH

FOR CHILDREN IN KS 1 AND THEIR PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS/CARERS TO ATTEND TOGETHER

**FREE ONLINE COURSE
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**80th
Anniversary
VE Day
May 8th
1945-2025**

- Assorted Sandwiches
- Margherita Pizza Bites
- Buffet Sausage Roll
- Vegetable Sticks & Dips
- Ready Salted Crisps
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- Victoria Sponge
- Butterfly Cakes
- Fresh Fruit Wedges



**LANCASHIRE
CATERING SERVICE**