

St John with St Augustine Newsletter

Safeguarding

If your child has asthma, please make sure they have an asthma inhaler in school and it is in date and labelled.

Thank you

Diary Dates

Tues 30 Sept	-	Forest School
		Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
Wed 1 Oct	-	Open Day 2:00 & 5:00pm
Fri 3 Oct	-	Celebration Assembly
		Year 5 Swimming Lessons
Thur 9 Oct	-	Individual School Photos

Church Dates

1 Oct	Year 1	Harvest
8 Oct	Mr Hollinshead	The Secret Baby
15 Oct	Miss Jesson	The Burning Bush

Celebration Assembly

Well done to the following children who all received an award certificate in our Celebration Assembly last Friday.

Reception	Eva
Year 1	Ellie
Year 2	Mailie
Year 3	Nanci
Year 4	Laycie
Year 5	Inaaya
Year 6	Ashton

After School Club Autumn Term 2025

Monday	-	KS2 Mixed Football (Boys & Girls) 3:30-4:30pm
Wednesday	-	KS2 Girls Football 3:30 - 4:30pm
Thursday	-	KS1 Multi-Sports 3:30-4:30pm
	-	KS2 Choir 3:30-4:25pm (starts 2 October)

School Admissions

Do you have a child starting school in September 2026?

Closing dates for primary and secondary admissions are as follows:

Primary	-	15 January 2026
Secondary	-	31 October 2025

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

To apply for a school place visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



Protect Your Friends and Family Against FLU

Intra Health will be visiting our school to administer the Flu Vaccination on **Thursday 6th November 2025.**

To complete a consent or refusal form online, please follow the link below:

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/5f93c2eb>

For any queries... Call: 033335833697 option 2.

School Photos

On Thursday 9 October, Tiny Pixels will be in school to take individual photos of all the pupils. You will then be able to purchase the photos via Tiny Pixel website. More information to follow on how to order.



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EYFS —Asia

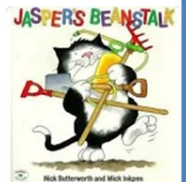
We have had a lovely week in Reception Class.

The week started with a wolf hunt. This was creating interest for our new core text in Literacy:



We created wanted posters to help find the wolf, as we received a letter from Peppa and George asking for our help! We then read an acrostic poem about wolves and created poem maps. The children really did amazing with this.

In maths this week, we have been comparing size, height and length. The children enjoyed measuring and ordering different objects. As part of our maths this week, we read the story 'Jasper's Beanstalk'. The children have really worked well together. In phonics this week, we have been focusing on initial sounds. This is the sound at the beginning of a word. Please support your child with this at home. You could use questions when reading such as 'What is the sound you can hear at the beginning of the word dog?' 'd'. Remember to use the pure sounds.



Notices:

Please ensure your child comes to school each day with a water bottle. This is very important for the children to stay hydrated throughout the school day.

A reminder that earrings must be removed on PE days (Monday and Wednesday).

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the phonics meeting on Thursday.

Thank you, Mrs Jesson and the EYFS Team.

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Year 1 - Antarctica

It's been another busy week in Year 1 with the children trying hard with their new learning – well done!

English

This week we discovered that Harry helped frog who had become stuck on a log after jumping up too high. The children pretended to be frog and made and wrote a thank you card to Harry. They thought about things we have discovered about Harry e.g. he is helpful, happy and has big ears.

Maths

This week we completed work on number bonds. The children use da number bond diagram to investigate ways to make different numbers e.g. 8 is made up of 4 and 4, 5 and 3 etc.



I can see that 6 and 0 make 6.

RE

This week we looked at people who do not have enough to eat because their harvest has failed. We thought about ways we could help them e.g. giving money or giving food to the food banks.

Geography

We thought about physical features we can see around our school Ask your child if they can remember any! We completed a virtual walk around school using Google maps as well as looking at a drone footage of Accrington. We discovered that there are not many physical features only trees, bushes, fields and The Coppice hill.

Science

This week we talked about the sense of hearing. The children completed a listening walk in Key Stage 1 building as well as listening for sounds outside.

Notices:

PE is on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child removes their earrings on these days. Thank you.

Please remember to bring your homework books back on a Monday. These will be given out again on a Tuesday.

If your child has finished their reading book, please remind them to take it out of their book bag so it to be changed.

There will be a Phonics meeting on Thursday 2nd October 3:40pm in Year 1 classroom.

Year 1 Church Service about Harvest will take place on Wednesday 1st October at 9:10am.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Martin

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Africa Class Year 2

In maths we have started our new chapter on addition and subtraction. We have been looking at using the whole part model to add ones to two digit numbers.

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$$\begin{array}{r} 42 \\ + 5 \\ \hline 47 \end{array}$$

40 2

$$2 + 5 = 7$$
$$42 + 5 = 47$$

I started by adding the ones.



In English we have been continuing to find facts about wolves. The children created an information poster about wolves and enjoyed making a wolf quiz.

In Art we experimented with folding techniques and decorating styles ready to create our final sculpture in the coming weeks.

In Geography we looked at human and physical features and located some human features of the UK capital cities.

Thank you

Mrs McLeod and Miss Fletcher



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Year 3 — Europe



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Year 4—Australasia



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Year 5— South America

Maths

This week, we began Chapter 2: *Addition and Subtraction*. The children have been learning how to count on to add and practising addition within 1,000,000. We will soon be moving on to using the column method for more complex calculations.

Reading

In reading, we are continuing with *How the Whale Became and Other Stories*. Our most recent tale was about the tortoise, which the children really enjoyed exploring. We have been working on answering a range of comprehension questions to deepen our understanding. Next week, we will also celebrate **National Poetry Day on Thursday 2nd October**, with lots of exciting poetry activities!

English

In English, the children have been practising writing **compound sentences** using coordinating conjunctions. We also completed a shared write about the 'Grifgon' – a mythical creature taken from the *Myth Match* book. The children have focused particularly well on using **expanded noun phrases** to add detail and bring their writing to life.

RE

This week in RE, we watched video clips showing people around the world receiving the Bible in their own language for the very first time – some after waiting many years. The children were fascinated by the celebrations and had thoughtful discussions about what this experience might feel like. We also considered the many different uses and impacts of the Bible.

Geography

In Geography, the children combined their knowledge of climate zones and biomes to see how these link together. This has helped them build a bigger picture of how different parts of the world are connected.

Science

Our Science focus has moved to the **phases of the moon**. The children have been given the option to keep a moon diary, recording how the moon changes across the week. For extra support, they can also visit moonphases.co.uk.

DT

In DT, the children worked incredibly hard to create their **CAM toy prototypes**. They were very successful and are now excited to move on to making their final versions soon!

Well done to all the children for their hard work and enthusiasm this week.



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Year 6—North America

English: This week, the children have been rewriting their own versions of *The Nowhere Emporium*. They have been very creative and imaginative with their stories!

Maths: The children have been learning how to multiply by two-digit numbers. They are working really well in class, but additional practice at home through their homework will help consolidate their skills.

RE: In Religious Education, the children have been exploring what a Christian's life entails, including daily and weekly routines, and comparing these with the routines of non-Christians.

Science: The children have been learning about Carl Linnaeus and the importance of classifying animals. They had fun creating their own creatures and classifying them according to their characteristics.

Reminders:

- Macmillan Cancer Coffee Afternoon is on Tuesday 30th September. Donations of buns and biscuits would be greatly appreciated.
- Please read with your child at least three times a week.

Please support your child with their homework, which is due every Thursday.
Thank you for your continued support!