



Our Lady and St. Gerard's News

Week Ending 24th January 2025

PTA Meeting – Monday 27th January 3.20pm

Year 6 SAT's Meeting for Parents

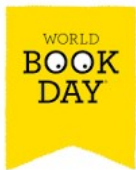
A meeting will be held in school on **Tuesday 28th January @ 4.00pm** for all Year 6 parents to provide information about the upcoming SAT's.

NSPCC Number Day

Friday February 7th is a non-uniform day for NSPCC Number Day. We would like to invite you to wear something that has a number on it. Here are some suggestions for clothing/accessories:

- A costume (such as a calculator or a ruler)
- Old T-shirt with numbers drawn on it
- Football kit with a number on it
- Face paint

In return, if you can, please donate a small amount of money to support NSPCC in their valuable work to protect and provide safety to children; they would really benefit from this.



Book Fair

The book fair will be arriving in school on **Wednesday 26th February** and stay until Tuesday 4th March.

Dress up day for World Book Day will be on **Friday 7th March**.

Church Family Fun Night - Friday 28th February

Parents Evenings

Week commencing **Monday 31st March**. Bookings for appointments will open approximately two weeks before. Please look out for the communications via dojo and the newsletter.

Consultation on School Admission Arrangements for 2026/2027 - All Hallows Catholic High School

Please find attached the proposed school admission policy for All Hallows for 2026/2027, the consultation period will end on **31st January 2025**. Should you wish to comment on the proposed policy please contact Mrs A Cooper, Headteacher at All Hallows High School.

Family Fun Night
In The Parochial Centre
Friday 28th February start 7:00pm
BINGO Compered Lee McNulty
DISCO FUN & GAMES

Adult Tickets £5
Max 2 Children per Adult Children Free
Children Must Be Accompanied By An Adult

Children Free Hot Dog
Adults Bacon & Sausage Barms

Tickets Available from Church and the
Parish Office 01772 335387

Love, Inspire, Shine

United in Love and the light of Jesus, we inspire one another to learn, grow and shine

Volunteers – Your School Needs You! Volunteers are a great help in school, if you or someone you know may be interested in helping out in school for as little or as much time as available, please contact the school office for a volunteer form. Volunteers can help with reading with the children, going on school trips, supporting PTA and sporting events, help in the garden and school grounds The list is endless. If you have any spare time, even on an adhoc basis and you have skills to offer please get in touch. All volunteers are required to have a school DBS (criminal record) check.

Nursery Places

It's not too late to apply for Nursery for April 2025 we have some places available. If you have a child that turns 3 at any point up to **31 March 25** they can start in our school Nursery class at the start of the summer term.

We have funded and paid for places available and Tax free Childcare vouchers can be used to pay for paid for sessions. Please contact the school office by email: bursar@ourlady-st-gerards.lancs.sch.uk or by calling 01772 335025 for more information.



Welcome to Our Lady & St. Gerard's
15 & 30 Hour Funded Places Available for 3 and 4 Year Olds

Breakfast Session Available 7:30-8:45

After School Places Available Until 5:45

Contact us: 01772 335025 - bursar@ourlady-st-gerards.lancs.sch.uk

Swimming – Monday Mornings 9am

Spring	Year 5 Johnson
Summer	Year 4 – half a term each

After School Clubs

Mondays Drama Club - 3.15 to 4.15pm

Wednesdays are the Active Club days. Each half term, a different year group will be given the opportunity to attend a sports/active club led by a sports coach.

Wednesdays Year 4 Tennis – 8th Jan – 12th Feb

We also have additional paid for clubs and activities run by external providers. This term these include:

Guitar with Miss Galea – Tuesday (1:45, 2:15 and 2:45pm)

Singing with Miss Galea – Tuesday 3:15 to 4pm

Drumming Lessons - Fridays 10.00 – 11.30am

Active Lifestyles Programme

Spring 1

Week 1 Wednesday 8th Jan – Dr Bike PM

Week 2 Wednesday 15th Jan – Tots on Tyres AM & PM - Reception

Week 3 Wednesday 22nd Jan – Tots on Tyres AM & PM - Reception

Week 4 Wednesday 29th Jan – Tots on Tyres AM & PM - Reception

Week 5 Wednesday 5th Feb – Scootsafe AM & PM – Year 3

Week 6 Wednesday 12th Feb – Bike Fix AM & PM – Year 6

* **Dr Bike**, we triage the bikes from our van outside and check over any bikes brought in; punctures, loose nuts and bolts, loose or broken brakes etc, we can usually get through around 20 bikes in a morning or afternoon. We offer this to the whole school, but the preference is to work on the bikes that will be used at Bikeability ideally so the students will have a working roadworthy bike before they attend the BA session, if we have time we will also work on any other bikes brought in.

* **Tots On Tyres** is for Reception class and we usually take 6 out at a time, 20-30 minutes per group.

* **Scout Safe** is for Year 3's, the first session is 45/60mins of theory in the classroom followed by fun activities on the scooter in the playground for the 2nd session. We have 4 scooters to lend and some helmets, it's better if as many pupils as possible organise to bring/acquire their own helmets and scooters. If you need to borrow a scooter or helmet – please speak to your class teacher as soon as possible.

* **Bike Fix** is for Year 6 Bikeability, we demonstrate how to fix a puncture, they split off into groups and have a go at fixing a puncture themselves, we will also discuss other ways to check their bike over before a bike ride.

* **Bikeability** involves first morning on the playground delivering Level 1, if the riders are competent and pass Level 1 they will progress to Level 2 where we go out in the afternoon onto quiet roads. Day 2 is L2 all day on slightly more busier roads, a more advanced and progressive session. If any of the students do not complete L1 on day 1 they will not be able to progress onto L2. Please let us know if your child will need to borrow a bike and/or a helmet if they do not own their own but wish to take part (there is a limited supply of about 4 or 5 bikes and a few more helmets)

Please also note that if any bikes are considered unroadworthy or pupils are considered not competent enough after Level 1 to go out on the roads, unfortunately they will have to stay in school.

What's On.....

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PENWORTHAM FOOTBALL ACADEMY

PFA FOOTBALL COACHING CAMP

WEDNESDAY 19TH - FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2025

9AM - 3PM (WITH WRAP-AROUND AVAILABLE)

Calling all Year 1 - 6 players. Do you love playing football & learning new skills? Join us on the PFA Football Camp at Penwortham Primary Academy. With a daily price of £20 a day or £50 for 3 days, it promises to be an action packed few days with focused practices, 3v3 pitches, tournaments and skills challenges each day!

- ✓ Skill Development Practices
- ✓ Ability-Set Tournaments
- ✓ Small-Sided 3v3 Games
- ✓ Fun-Filled, Active Days!!

SAVE THE DATE
Easter Camp 7th-11th April
<https://www.penworthamfootballacademy.co.uk>

Book on here

NINJAS FREE TRIAL AND FREE SUIT AND BELT

Ninjas Program (Ages 6-8)
Timings: 4:00 & 4:30 pm
Wednesdays: 3:30pm & 4:00 pm
1st Day & 2nd Day: 4:00 pm & 4:30 pm

NINJAS AGES 6-8

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TAEKWONDO FREE TRIAL AND FREE SUIT AND BELT

Taekwondo (Ages 7+)
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Wednesdays: 6:30pm & 7:15pm
Adult Only Taekwondo (Ages 18+)
1st Day: 4:00pm

TAEKWONDO AGES 7+

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