



# Our Lady and St. Gerard's News

Week Ending: 13th February 2026

## Happy Half Term!

We break up today **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** for the February Half term holidays and return to school on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Have a safe and happy holiday.

## Coming up next half term.....



### Year 6 SAT's Boosters continue right up to SATs in May!

- 3.15 to 4.15pm Monday's & Tuesday's for Maths
- 8.00am Tuesday's for SPAG



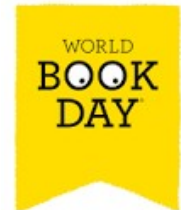
### Book Fair

The book fair will be arriving in school on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February** and stay until Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

There will be an option to pay via an app or in cash.

### World Book Day

Dress up day for World Book Day will be on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. Dress up as your favourite book character for the day.



### World Book Day Lunch

There is a special lunch planned for World Book Day on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. Please book in as usual for a lunch on this day and your child will be able to choose from the special menu at the counter on the day.

All school lunches cost £2.90 for those who pay. Please book and pay via ParentPay by **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**. If you miss the booking deadline please email [admin@ourlady-st-gerards.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ourlady-st-gerards.lancs.sch.uk)

**Mufti Day** - We will have 'Wear your own clothes day!' on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** when children are invited to wear their own clothes to school for the day and in return donate some chocolate or Easter related gift for the Easter Bingo hampers.

### Easter Bingo

The PTA will be holding their annual Easter Bingo on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**. Your chance to win huge Easter hampers! Not to be missed.



This year we are holding the Bingo back in the school hall and therefore tickets are essential for fire regulations and will be available beforehand via ParentPay. Drinks and refreshments will be on sale. All proceeds go towards the PTA Fundraising Fund.

## **Love, Inspire, Shine**

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



### Easter Egg Raffle

Tickets will be on sale from **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** for our annual Easter egg raffle! Children are able to purchase tickets from their class teacher at the **cost of 50p** per strip. The draw will take place at the end of the term, before we break up for Easter.

### Parents Evenings

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 3.30 to 5.30pm each day

Bookings for appointments will open approximately two weeks before. Please look out for the communications via dojo and the newsletter.

### Dates for the Diary

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb **School Reopens after Half Term**  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Feb Book Fair Arrives in School  
Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Feb Year 4 Trip to Turton Towers  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Mar NCMP Reception & Year 6 – National Child Measurement Programme  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Mar World Book Day Dress up  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Mar Mufty Day for Easter Bingo  
Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar Easter Bingo!  
Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Apr Easter Egg Raffle  
Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr **School Closed for the Easter Holidays until Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

### Swimming – Monday Mornings 9am

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

### After School Clubs

Tuesdays Cooking Club Yrs 5 & 6 3.15 to 4.15pm (6 weeks – 24<sup>th</sup> Feb to 31<sup>st</sup> Mar)

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 – 8<sup>th</sup> Jan – 12<sup>th</sup> 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

## What's On This Half Term .....



**Active Camps**

Venues:  
Cuarden Church Primary School, PR5 6ED  
and  
Kingsfold Primary School, PR1 9HJ  
Monday 16th to Thursday 19th February  
Football, Tennis, Scooting, Archery, UV Sports, Dodgeball, and so so much more...

Cost per day: £14.00  
Cost per block: £56.00

For booking Visit:  
[southribble.gov.uk/activecamps](https://www.southribble.gov.uk/activecamps)  
Drop off 8.30am - 9am  
Pick up 4.30pm - 5pm

Funded places available through HAF

Dodgeball, dance, scooting, cycling, glow sport, soft axe throwing, archery and much more!

All staff are DBS cleared, fully safeguarded and first aid trained

All children provided with a healthy lunch

With highly qualified sports coaches and teachers

Click here to find out more



**2026 COACHING CAMPS**

JOIN US AT PENWORTHAM PRIORY ACADEMY!

**FEBRUARY HALF TERM**  
MON 16TH TO FRI 20TH FEB

**EASTER**  
TUES 7TH TO FRI 10TH APR

**SUMMER**  
MON 20TH TO FRI 24TH OF JUL  
MON 17TH TO FRI 21ST OF AUG

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

With a daily price of £20 a day, £75 for 4 days or £85 for 5 days.

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

@penwortham\_footballacademy  
Penwortham Football Academy

Book on here

<https://www.penworthamfootballacademy.co.uk>



Choose fun at

**fun fest**

HOLIDAY CLUB

Ofsted Registered

February Half Term

16th-20th February 2026

7:30am - 6:00pm

A menu of 50+ activities

3-12 years

ST LEONARD'S C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL  
Walton-le-Dale, Preston, PR5 4JL

EUXTON PRIMROSE HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
Euxton, Chorley, PR7 6BA

Book online at [www.fun-fest.co.uk](http://www.fun-fest.co.uk)

Enquiries to 07392 790727  
[waltonledale@funfestholidayclub.co.uk](mailto:waltonledale@funfestholidayclub.co.uk)  
[chorleyoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk](mailto:chorleyoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk)

### South Ribble Holiday Club

Low-cost and funded provision for February Half Term. There is no voucher code required to book the funded provision, as these places are funded by South Ribble Borough Council. Parents and guardians can book via [www.southribble.gov.uk/activecamps](https://www.southribble.gov.uk/activecamps)

### The Harris Half Term Programme

From Saturday, 14 - Friday, 20 February 2026, [The Harris](#) will be hosting a week of engaging family-friendly activities, including Creative Chemistry workshops, Lego and coding sessions, Mad Science shows and immersive planetarium experiences. Many activities are free or low-cost, making them accessible for families, you can find full event details [on our website](#).

### Total Taekwondo

**Free Martial Arts Taster Class for ages 4+ – Total Taekwondo.** Total Taekwondo is offering local children a *free martial arts taster class*. Any students who choose to join after the taster will also receive a **free Taekwondo suit and belt**. A great way to build confidence, focus, and fitness in a fun and supportive environment. For more information or to book, please visit: [www.total Taekwondo.co.uk](http://www.totaltaekwondo.co.uk)

### Brownedge Rainbows Group

Brownedge Rainbows Group has spaces for girl's aged 4-7years for immediate start. We meet in Lostock Hall, just off Browndedge Road on Friday nights 5.30-6.30pm (term time only) and we do lots of arts/crafts, singing and games. It's £15 per month.

It's a great opportunity to build confidence and make new friends.

Register a child | Girlguiding <https://share.google/JzLOrd6LYO4QsrpIV>

You can also use this link to register for local brownies and guides groups or to become a volunteer with us.




## Westholme School Football Camp

Westholme School will be hosting a Football Camp during the February half term, led by UEFA-qualified coach Charlie Jackson.

The camp is open to children aged 7–15 and will focus on developing skills, confidence and enjoyment of the game in a professional environment. For full details, please see the attached flyer.

I would be very grateful if you would share this opportunity with your school community. Families can book by scanning the QR code on the flyer or by visiting this link: [Football Camp](#)




**WESTHOLME FOOTBALL CAMP**  
16 - 19 FEBRUARY 2026  
In partnership with Matrix Soccer Academy

**WHY CHOOSE US?**  
Led by UEFA-qualified coach Charlie Jackson - Founder of Matrix Soccer Academy & currently works at Manchester City Junior Academy.

**DETAILS**

- COST**  
£20 per week or £32 per day
- OPEN ENTRY**  
For ages 7-15, both Westholme & non-Westholme pupils welcome
- TIMINGS**  
9:00am - 2:30pm (optional late collection available for additional charge of £8)
- SKILL LEVEL**  
Suitable for all abilities, from grass roots to elite footballers

Scan to register 

Westholme School, Wilmar Lodge, Pleasington, BB2 6OU



### Holiday List 2025 - 2026

#### Autumn Term 2025

##### **INSET**

School Opens

Half-term:

Close

Reopen

School Closes for Christmas

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025**  
(Years 1 to 6. Reception start Wed 3<sup>rd</sup>)

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025,**  
**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025**  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

#### Spring Term 2025

School Opens

Half term:

Close

Reopen

School closes for Easter

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026**  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026**  
**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026**

#### Summer Term 2025

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School closed for Bank Holiday

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**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026**  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2026**  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026**

**190 days**

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**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026**

#### Spring Term 2027

##### **INSET**

School Opens

Half term:

Close

Reopen

School closes for Easter

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027**  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2027**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2027**  
**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2027**  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2027**

#### Summer Term 2027

School Opens

School closed for Bank Holiday

Half-term:

Close

**INSET**

Re-open

School closes for Summer

**INSET**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027**  
**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2027**  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2027**  
**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2027**  
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