



Our Lady and St. Gerard's News

Week Ending: 8th May 2026

School finishes on Friday 22nd May at 3.15pm for the May Half Term holidays.

We will return to school on Wednesday 3rd June, following the holidays at 8.45am.

KS2 SATs

SAT's for Year 6 start on Monday 11th May and will continue throughout the week.

Please make sure your child is on time for school so as not to disrupt the tests going on in the hall.

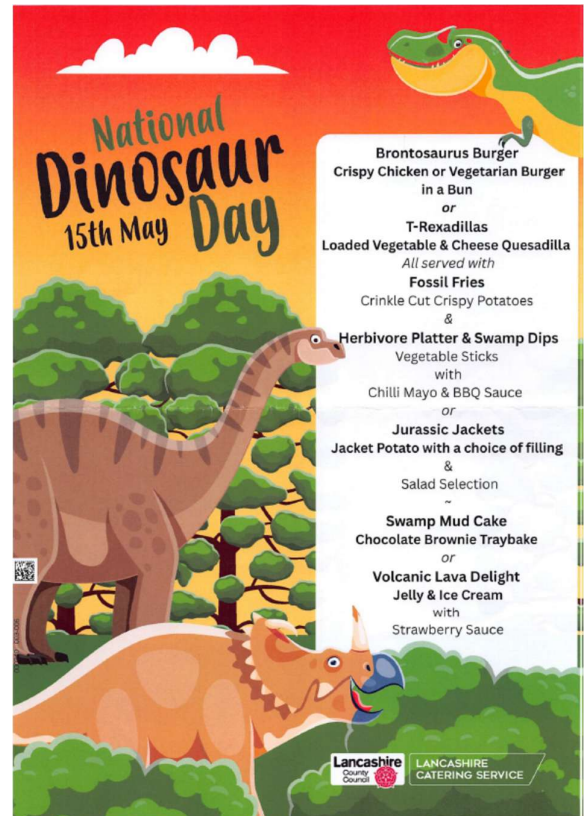
Dinosaur Day – 15th May

As it is National Dinosaur Day next Friday 15th May our school catering staff are putting on a special menu for the day. It's not too late to join in, please email admin@ourlady-st-gerards.lancs.sch.uk to book your child in for this special menu day. If you have already booked a meal for this day then your child will be able to choose at the counter from the menu options available. If you pay for school meals, the price is the same as normal £3.00.

Induction Sessions for Nursery & Reception

The September reception & nursery children will start their inductions sessions after half term on **Tuesday's 23rd & 30th June**. Both sessions will start at 1.15pm and end at 2.45pm.

Reception parents will leave the children in school for the session, whilst we ask Nursery parents to come along with your child for the afternoon and explore the nursery provision together.



Summer Fair – Save the Date

We will be holding a School Summer Fair on the afternoon of **Friday 3rd July**.

Sports Days – Save the Date

We have set provisional dates for sports days as follows.

Thursday 18th June **EYFS & KS1**

Friday 19th June **KS2**

Further details to follow via dojo, regarding the venue and times

The following **Thursday 25th & Friday 26th** have been allocated as alternatives if the weather is poor.



Love, Inspire, Shine

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

Nursery Places for September have been allocated and information packs have been sent home to all those on the waiting list. **It's not too late to apply for September we still have some places available.** If you have a child that turns 3 at any point up to **31 August 26** they can start in our school Nursery class at the start of the school year 26-27.

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.

Easy Fundraising for Our School

We have a brilliant way to raise free donations for the school!

All you have to do is sign up to support us with easyfundraising and then when you do your normal online shopping, go via the easyfundraising website or app and you'll raise free donations for Our Lady and St Gerard's.

There are over 8,000 retailers to choose from including Just Eat, eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Amazon and many more.

Watch the short video and see attached flyer to find out more

https://youtu.be/oO7x5S8u_GQ?si=VltyxyE3mFsKd6vn

Following on from my Dojo post, here is a quick link to join Easyfundraising which donates to school with your online purchases at no extra cost to you. Thanks!



Uniform for September

Please start ordering your new uniform for September. We have lots of stock available at present, however at this time of year inevitably sizes do run out and orders can take 4 weeks to come from the supplier as every school is placing large orders for the new school year.

Please order by Friday 12th June at the latest!

Please email the school office with your order admin@ourlady-st-gerards.lancs.sch.uk and **make a payment on the uniform payment item on ParentPay for the full amount of your order.**

Uniform Price List

Jumpers &	Size 22 – 32 (age 2-3 to Age 11-12)	£12.00 each
Cardigans	Size 34 – 36 (age 13-14 & Sm Adult)	£12.50 each
Polo Shirts	Size 22 – 32 (age 2-3 to Age 11-12)	£ 9.50 each
	Size 34 – 36 (age 13-14 & Sm Adult)	£10.00 each
PE T-Shirts	£6.50	
PE Bag	£4.50	
Book Bag	£5.00	

Sizes available:

22" - Age 2-3 Years
24" – Age 3-4 Years
26" – Age 5-6 Years
28" – Age 7-8 Years
30" – Age 9-10 Years
32" – Age 11-12 Years
34" – Age 13-14 Years
36" – XSm Adult
38" – Small Adult,
40" – Medium Adult also available

Summer Lunch Menu & Price Increase

The price of a school meal has increased for the Summer term to **£3.00 per day**. The price increase follows Lancashire County Council's price rise from £2.90 per meal to £3.00 from April this year.

The school lunch **menu has also changed after Easter to the Summer menu**. Please see the new menu options below.

Free School Meal Vouchers

Just a quick reminder that there will be no further holiday meal vouchers issued for those entitled to Free School Meals going forward. This scheme ended on 31st March 2026.

WEEK ONE		F+ Spring & Summer 2026		MONDAY		SUGARWISE TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		SUGARWISE THURSDAY		FRIDAY FAVOURITES	
Traditional Main Course		Southern Style Chicken or Vegetable Finger Wrap with Paprika Potatoes Mixed Vegetables or BBQ Beans		Bolognese Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread and Salad Selection		Pork or Vegetarian Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy		Mild Chicken or Quorn Balti Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread		Golden Crumb Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans			
Alternative Choice		Pasta Tubes & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)		Summer Picnic Lunch Choice of Sandwiches Vegetarian Sausage Roll Pasta Salad Vegetable Sticks & Dips		Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)		Pasta Spirals and Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls and Salad Selection		Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Salad Selection (v)			
Jackets & Sandwiches		Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection		Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection		Choice of filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips		Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection		Choice of filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips			
Dessert Choices		Fruity Flapjack or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Vanilla Shortbread & Fruit Wedges or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Ice Cream & Dessert Sauce or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Mixed Fruit Medley or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Cooks Choice of Cookie & Milkshake or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection			
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WEEK TWO		MEAT FREE MONDAY		SUGARWISE TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		SUGARWISE THURSDAY		FRIDAY FAVOURITES			
Traditional Main Course		Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Herby Potatoes Garden Peas & Sweetcorn or Baked Beans (v)		BBQ Pulled Pork or Quorn Burrito with Rainbow Vegetable Rice & Salad Selection		Roast Chicken or Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy		Booths British Beef & Pork or Vegetarian Burger with Paprika Potatoes Vegetable Sticks & Dips		Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas			
Alternative Choice		Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)		Mac 'n' Cheese with Homemade Crusty Bread & Garden Peas (v)		Loaded Potato Wedges with BBQ Beans, Crispy Onions & Salad Selection (v)		Pasta Spirals & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)		Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips & Sweetcorn (v)			
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Dessert Choices		Marble Traybake & Toffee Drizzle or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Mixed Fruit Medley or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Raspberry Bun or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Lemon Biscuit & Fruit Wedges or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Cocoa Krispie Cake or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk			
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WEEK THREE		MONDAY		SUGARWISE TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		SUGARWISE THURSDAY		FRIDAY FAVOURITES			
Traditional Main Course		Mild Pin Pin Chicken or Quorn Pita Pocket with Sunshine Rice & Garden Peas		Pork or Vegetarian Hot Dog Crispy Onions & Tomato Ketchup with Crispy Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans		Honey Roast Gammon & Pineapple or BBQ Vegetarian Meatballs with Roast Potatoes & Sweetcorn Medley		Chicken or Vegetable Tikka Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread		Golden Crumb Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans			
Alternative Choice		Pasta Twists & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)		Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Paprika Potatoes & Baked Beans (v)		Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)		Summer Picnic Lunch Choice of Sandwiches Vegetarian Sausage Roll Pasta Salad Vegetable Sticks & Dips		Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Salad Selection (v)			
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Dessert Choices		Fruit Jelly with Cream or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Marble Shortbread & Fruit Wedges or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Cooks Choice of Mousse or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Mixed Fruit Medley or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk		Sticky Toffee Cupcake or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk			
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27th April
18th May
8th June
29th June
20th July
10th August
31st August
21st September
12th October
2nd November

Week Commencing:

20th April
11th May
1st June
22nd June
13th July
3rd August
24th August
14th September
5th October
26th October

School Trips

Tuesday 19 th May	Year 2	Imagine That – Liverpool
Monday 8 th June	Reception	Smithills Farm
Wednesday 17 th June	Year 4	Cuerden Valley Park
Wed 8 th to Thurs 9 th Jul	Year 6	Residential to York

Dates for the Diary

Mon 11 th to Fri 15 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs Week
Fri 22nd May	School Closes for May Half term until Wednesday 3rd June

Wed 3rd June	School Re-opens after Half term
Mon 8 th to Fri 12 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check Week
	Year 1 Phonics Screening week
Thurs 18 th June	Provisional Date for EYFS & KS1 Sports Day – save the date
Fri 19 th June	Provisional Date for KS2 Sports Day – save the date
Tues 23 rd June	Reception September 26 Starters Induction session 1 - 1.15 to 2.45pm
	Nursery September 26 Starters Induction session 1 – 1.15 to 2.45pm – with Parents
Thurs 25 th June	Year 5 Taster Day @ All Hallows
Thurs 25 th June	Alternative Date for EYFS & KS1 Sports Day – save the date
Fri 26 th June	Alternative Date for KS2 Sports Day – save the date
Tues 30 th June	Reception September 26 Starters Induction session 2 - 1.15 to 2.45pm
	Nursery September 26 Starters Induction session 2 – 1.15 to 2.45pm – with Parents
Wed 1 st July	All Hallows New Intake evening for Parents
	Brownedge St Mary's High School Transition Day 1
Thurs 2 nd July	Brownedge St Mary's High School Transition Day 2
	All Hallows High School Transition Day
Fri 3 rd July	Provisional Date for Summer Fair – save the date
Wed 8 th – Thurs 9 th July	Year 6 York Residential
Thurs 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers Production
Fri 17th July	School Finishes for the Summer Holidays

Swimming – Monday Mornings 9am

Class 4E Monday 27th April for Summer 1 & Monday 8th June
Class 4P will start on Monday 15^h June for Summer 2

After School Clubs

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.

Tuesdays	Netball for Yrs 5&6
Wednesdays	Archery Year 6
	Fundamental Movement Skills - Reception
	Summer 2 Half Term: Judo Breakfast club – Year 3 starts 10 th June
Thursday	Drama Club
Fridays	Year 4 TT Rock Stars (6 th Mar – 19 th June)

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.... May Half Term

South Ribble Active Camps

Active Camps during May Half Term. We have low cost places as well as funded places for those on benefit related free school meals. As this programme is funded by South Ribble Borough Council, there are no vouchers required.

Fun Fest Walton-le-Dale

Fun Fest Walton-le-Dale launched in October 2023 and is continuing to provide high quality childcare through all of the school holidays. We are Ofsted registered and had a successful Ofsted inspection this February.

We welcome children aged 3 to 12, offering them an exciting menu of activities to choose from. We are not just a sports camp like others in the area; we have something for every child's interests.

Lancashire music Service are hosting a FREE Instrument Day!!

Young musicians 18 and under, Grade 1 to advanced, are invited to join us once again for Jazz Day 2026! The day will consist of workshops, masterclasses, performances and more!

16th May 2026, 10.00am – 3.30pm (with arrivals from 9.45am)

Lancaster Royal Grammar School, East Rd, Lancaster, LA1 3EF Sign Up Here! – (QR Code)

We will be joined by Yamaha Artist, Craig Wild of the BBC Big Band, Ronnie Scotts Big Band and the Syd Lawrence Orchestra, who will provide support, inspiration and a Masterclass!

Full information about the day will be sent after sign-up.

Harris Museum - Preston

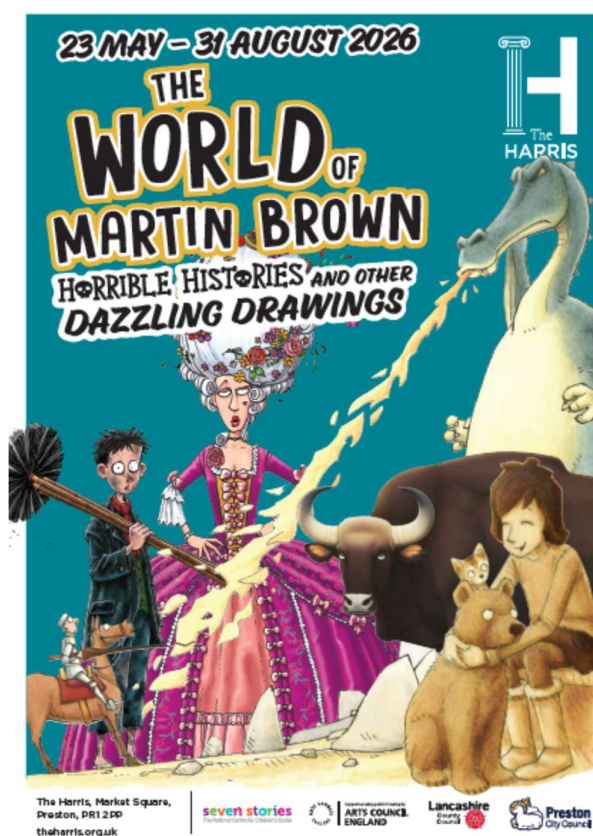
We're excited to share our upcoming May half-term programme at The Harris in Preston - packed with engaging, family-friendly activities designed to inspire creativity.

Visitors can enjoy a wide range of hands-on experiences, including crafting miniature landscapes, relaxed sketch and stroll sessions, imaginative art workshops, and our ever-popular LEGO Club.

A highlight of the programme is the opening of our brand-new exhibition, *The World of Martin Brown: Horrible Histories and Other Dazzling Drawings*. We're delighted to welcome illustrator Martin Brown in person for this special occasion.

Exhibition Details: Gallery One | 23 May – 31 August

We'd love your support in helping us spread the word and welcoming families to enjoy everything on offer this half-term. For full event details and booking information, please visit: <https://theharris.org.uk/press-news/may-half-term-activities/>





May Half-Term at The Harris

What's on this week?

Meet the Artist: Martin Brown Saturday, 23 May in The Studio £3, booking required	1pm
Horrid Harris Crafts Monday, 25 May in The Studio £2, booking required	10am & 1pm
The Harris: Sketch and Stroll Wednesday, 27 May in The Studio £3, booking required	10am, 1pm & 3pm
Baby Bounce & Rhyme Wednesday, 27 May in the Family Library Drop-in, no booking required	10.30am & 2.30pm
Recycled Plastic Crafts Thursday, 28 May in The Studio £3, booking required	1pm & 2.30pm
Cave Bear Craft Friday, 29 May in The Studio £2, booking required	10am & 1pm
Lego Club Every Saturday in The Studio Drop-in, no booking required	9.30am
Storytime Sessions Every Sunday in the Family Library Drop-in, no booking required	2.30pm

