



Our Lady and St. Gerard's News

Week Ending: 22nd May 2026

HAPPY HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

School finishes on Friday 22nd May at 3.15pm

for the May Half Term holidays.

We will return to school on Wednesday 3rd June at 8.45am.

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.



Summer Fair – Save the Date

We will be holding a School Summer Fair on the afternoon of

Friday 3rd July. 13:30–16:30

Our annual Summer Fair is scheduled to take place in the afternoon of Friday 3rd July. This is a big fundraiser for us and a great afternoon for children and families. We are hoping to improve even further on last year's successes. This event can only work if our parents help us with setting up, running stalls and packing away. We anticipate a similar arrangement to last year where children are given the opportunity to visit the fair during the afternoon, with their class and staff. Then at home time, parents can collect their children as normal and come back to the fair to continue the fun.

Further details will follow, nearer to the event.

We will need help with setting up games and prizes a few days before, setting up on the day, serving on the stalls on the day and packing away. We would also like to hear from anyone who has a BBQ and would like to show off their BBQ skills so that we could sell a wider range of foods.

Please sign up on Classdojo! The more the merrier!

As always, we value your support and any donations you can give to our Summer Fair to help us raise vital funds. These are the things we are looking for this year. We hope to collect everything in advance of the fair to help us sort through and organise in plenty of time.

Please donate what you feel you can:

- Chocolate (for Tombola)
- Unwanted gifts
- Bottles (non-alcoholic)
- Toys and games (must be clean, complete and something a child would want to win)

Any donations can come into school in the week beginning 15th June.



First Holy Communion Dates:

Group 2 - 14th June 10:30

Group 3 - 28th June 10:30

Please support our children by attending Sunday mass to see them make their First Holy Communion.

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.

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

Sizes available:

22" - Age 2-3 Years
24" – Age 3-4 Years



Polo Shirts	Size 22 – 32 (age 2-3 to Age 11-12)	£ 9.50 each	26" – Age 5-6 Years
	Size 34 – 36 (age 13-14 & Sm Adult)	£10.00 each	28" – Age 7-8 Years
PE T-Shirts	£6.50		30" – Age 9-10 Years
PE Bag	£4.50		32" – Age 11-12 Years
Book Bag	£5.00		34" – Age 13-14 Years
			36" – XSm Adult
			38" – Small Adult,
			40" – Medium Adult also available

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.

School Trips

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

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
15 th to 19 th June	National School Sports Week: Golf Festivals, Sports Day
Wed 17 th June	Year 4 Cuerden Valley Rivers Trip
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
Thurs 2 nd July	Brownedge St Mary's High School Transition Day 1
	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	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

Love, Inspire, Shine

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

What's On.... May Half Term



Active Camps

Venues:
Cuerden Church Primary School, PR5 6ED
Tuesday 26th May to Friday 29th May

Kingsfold Primary School, PR1 9HJ
Tuesday 26th May to Friday 29th May

Cost per day: £14.00
Cost per block: £52.00

For booking Visit:
southribble.gov.uk/activecamps

Drop off 8.30am - 9am
Pick up 4.30pm - 5pm

Funded places available through HAF

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

All staff enhanced DBS checked, also safeguarding and first aid trained

With highly qualified sports coaches and teachers

All children provided with a healthy lunch

Click here to find out more

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.

Priory May Coaching Camp

26th to 29th May



PFA MAY COACHING CAMP

TUES 26TH TO FRI 29TH MAY

JOIN US AT PENWORTHAM PRIORY ACADEMY!

Run by experienced and qualified PE teachers, ex-professional players and coaches, players will have the opportunity to develop their skills in a safe and inclusive environment.

With the use of the fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities at Priory, there will be a variety of football related activities that will engage and challenge players of all abilities.

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

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

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

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Penwortham Football Academy

<https://www.penworthamfootballacademy.co.uk/may-half-term-football-camp/>



Choose fun at

Fun Fest

HOLIDAY CLUB

Ofsted Registered

May Half Term

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

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

26th - 29th May

7:30am - 6:00pm

A menu of 50+ activities

3-12 years

All staff are fully vetted and hold an Enhanced DBS check for your peace of mind.

Enquiries to: 07392 790727
waltondale@funfestholidayclub.co.uk
chorleyoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk

Book online at www.fun-fest.co.uk

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.



Fun Fest HOLIDAY CLUB

May Half Term Walton-le-Dale 26th - 29th May

	AM	PM
Mon	CLOSED FOR BANK HOLIDAY	
Tues	Spring Gardens	Fun Fest Bootcamp
Weds	Harry Potter Experience	Wacky Races
Thurs	Crafty Creations	I'm a kid get me outta here
Fri	Jewellery Making	Sports Action
	Creative Cooks	Olympic Challenge
	Lego Creations	Cheerleading
	Space Cadets	Dodgeball
	FUN DAY FRIDAY!!	

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/>

