



“God with us, lighting the way to love and respect”

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Christian Value for this half term: **Love**

*For God so loved the world,  
that he gave his only begotten  
Son, that whosoever believes in  
him should not perish, but  
have everlasting life.*

John 3:16



Dear Parent /Carer

I hope this newsletter finds you well. Thank you to all parents and carers for their patience due to the roadworks which has disrupted the usual pedestrian crossing outside school. Please do continue to take care when arriving and leaving school until the work is completed.

On Thursday before half term, we held our Easter Service in Church. It was fantastic to see so many parents and carers attending. A huge well done to all the children for their fantastic reading, acting and singing, in particular to Stephanie McCarthy for her beautiful solo. I would also like to thank Mrs Taylor and Mrs McEwan for leading the service and the parent’s prayer group for serving refreshments.

In our final assembly of the Spring term I was delighted to give 51 children 100% attendance awards. This is a fabulous achievement. As children have missed so much time in school over the last 2 years it is important that children are in school if they are well enough.

It was lovely to welcome parents, grandparents and carers to our Open Classroom that took place this week, so many of you commented how lovely it was to be back in school. 113 parents took the opportunity to visit their child’s class and look at their workbooks. Our next scheduled Open Classroom is on Tuesday 17th May at 2.30pm.

Last night, forty of our year 5 children travelled to Ewood Park, home to Blackburn Rovers football team for a “Let’s Go Sing” concert. We were joined by 4200 children in the stadium from 85 different schools. The concert was absolutely fantastic and as always, our children were amazing. Thank you to Mrs Taylor, Mrs Holland, Mrs Ramsay and Mrs Murphy for supporting the children in learning the songs and to parents that attended the concert to support our children. Please keep your eyes on our Twitter account for photos of the concert.

Just a reminder that school closes for the May half term break on Friday 27th May and reopens on Tuesday 7th June at 8.40am.

Take care & best wishes

Mrs Mills



Please follow us at  
[@HorwichParishCE](https://twitter.com/HorwichParishCE) and keep up to date with the class blogs on the website.





### Staff News

This week we have welcomed a new member of staff, Mrs Williams who is helping with admin tasks around school.

## PTA / Queen's Jubilee



Our new PTA have continued to meet remotely to organise our next fundraising event. We sent out an information letter yesterday with the details of our planned Jubilee events in school. We are holding a Jubilee Fair on Thursday 26th May at 3.15pm – 5.15pm to celebrate our Queen's Platinum Jubilee. There will be lots of stalls including a stall run by each year group as well as a barbeque, bouncy castle, splat the member of staff, tombola to name just a few. We are delighted that the new Mayor will be joining us for what I am sure will be a great event. We are hoping parents will volunteer to help as well as attend to make the event a huge success. All parents are invited to join the PTA. Please do email Mrs Cowin if you would like to support our school, [acowin@horwichparish.net](mailto:acowin@horwichparish.net)

As detailed in the letter we are asking for a number of donations where possible, please bring them into school anytime.

### Non Uniform Day – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May

As part of the planned Jubilee Fair each year group will be planning/running a stall. Based on the stall they have decided to hold, we would ask that in return for wearing non-uniform, the children bring in the following;

**Adam & Eve classes** – Bedding plants, seeds, compost and pots

**Class 1W** – Red/white or blue items for a hamper

**Classes 1-2M & 2-3T** – Bottles for "Spin the wheel" e.g. bottles of shampoo, wine, beer, bubble bath

**Classes 3B & 3W** – Hard boiled sweets, paper cups, small Haribo packets, glitter, stick on stars, glue

**Classes 4W & 4B** – Chocolate!

**Classes 5R & 5S** – Plain biscuits (E.g. Digestives, Rich Tea, Gingernuts, Hobnobs), icing pens, cake decorations.

**Classes 6B & 6H** – Sweets to put in jars, empty jam jars and sweet cones.

### Volunteers

It has been exciting to reopen our school library this week, but we are still looking for volunteers to help run it. If you have a spare hour and would be happy to volunteer, then we would love to hear from you! Please email Mrs Charlton at: [jcharlton@horwichparish.net](mailto:jcharlton@horwichparish.net) if you are available to help. We are also opening our school doors to volunteers again. If you have a spare hour or two and would like to come into school and support the children, then we would love to hear from you. There are always jobs to do. Volunteers can hear children read, test children on their times tables, help in classroom or generally just help in school. Please email the school office with your contact details so you can be sent an application form: [office@horwichparish.net](mailto:office@horwichparish.net)

### ECO Club

The Eco club are asking for any donations of old school red jumpers, white or blue clothes which they are wanting to make into bunting for the Jubilee. Please drop off any donations at the office for the attention of Mrs Howard.



### Sports days

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** 9.30am – Reception (Adam & Eve class)
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** 1.15pm - Year 5 & Year 6 (5R, 5S, 6H, 6B classes)
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** 9.15pm - Year 1 & Year 2 (1W, 1-2M, 2-3T classes)
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May** 9.15pm - Year 3 & Year 4 (3W, 3B, 4W, 4B)

Please could the children come to school in their PE kit on the day of their class sports event. (More information to follow for KS1 team colours).

Parents, grandparents and friends are invited to come and watch their child take part in the sports events, which will take place on Slaters Field. If the sporting events are unable to take place due to the weather, school will send a School Spider message by 8.00am.

We know that KS1 have already been practicing!



### Open Classroom

Our next open classroom will be on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm. This is an opportunity for parents/grandparents to call in and look at their child's work and classroom. The teachers will be teaching so it is not an opportunity for a parent consultation.

Please can we remind parents that mobile phones are not allowed on the school premises when visiting your child's classroom. Due to Safeguarding reasons you will be asked to leave the classroom without your child at 3:15pm and return to the playground to allow members of staff to safely dismiss the class as normal.

### Dinner Money

A reminder that lunch money needs to be paid in advance via Parentpay. The cost for next half term (19 April – 27 May) is **£61.60**.

Reception snacks – The cost for next half term (19 – 27 May) is **£7.50**.

Please remember that we require 2 weeks' notice in writing (email) from a parent/carer if you wish to change your child's lunch arrangements.

### Cluster Sports Events

This month, we were so proud of our Year 5/6 football team who had won themselves a place in the cluster final. The team played really well and showed great determination. Don't forget to check Twitter for our sporting achievements.



## Events

### May

2<sup>nd</sup> Bank Holiday – School Closed

4<sup>th</sup> 5R Science Trip to R&B School

6<sup>th</sup> Non-Uniform Day

9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATS Tests

17<sup>th</sup> Open Classroom 2.30pm

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26<sup>th</sup> May Jubilee Celebrations in  
school

26<sup>th</sup> May 3.15pm Jubilee PTA Fair

27<sup>th</sup> School closes at 3.15/3.20pm

**Notices:** Please could we ask parents NOT to allow their children and younger siblings to play in the school garden (top playground) before and after school. Unfortunately, the plants and flowers are getting trampled on. Thank you for your support with this matter.

The washing machine in our reception unit has finally given up! If anyone has a second-hand washing machine that they no longer need then reception would love to hear from you!

The reception staff are asking if any parents have clean spare underwear / socks that they would be happy to donate. There is always a need for spares!

**Face Painter Required for  
the Jubilee Fair!!!!**

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