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Newsletter 17th October 2025

As we reach the end of our first half term, we can't help but feel incredibly proud of all that our children have achieved! From settling into new classes and routines to showing great enthusiasm in their learning, it's been a fantastic few weeks filled with creativity, curiosity, and kindness.

We've seen wonderful progress across the school — whether it's exciting learning in class, sporting successes, or simply the joy of seeing children support one another and grow in confidence each day. A huge thank you to our dedicated staff and supportive families for helping make this half term such a positive start to the year.

School will close for the half-term break on Tuesday 21st October and re-open on Monday 3rd November. We wish all our staff, pupils and families a restful and happy break — you've certainly earned it!

Warm regards,
Mrs White



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Dates for Diaries – Autumn 2

Mon 20 th Oct	Rainbow Afternoon
Tues 21 st Oct	PS & Reception - Diwali Super Learning Day
Tues 21 st Oct	School closes at normal time for half term
Wed 22 nd –Fri 24 th Oct	Inset Days
Mon 3 rd Nov	School re-opens for Autumn Term 2
Tues 4 th Nov	Mad Science Assembly Reception-Year 6 Year 4 Swimming 1pm- Mr Bovenizer in Year 5 and Year 6
Wed 5 th Nov	Flu Immunisations
Fri 7 th Nov	Crazy clothes Non-Uniform Day (PTA) information to follow
Sun 9 th Nov	Park Run Take Over at Castle Field
Mon 10 th Nov	Year 6 at STEM morning at Walker Park, Blackburn
Tues 11 th Nov	Armistice Day Year 4 Swimming Fire and Rescue safety talks for Year 2 and Year 6
Fri 14 th Nov	Children in Need Day
Mon 17 th Nov	Year 1 parent consultations
Tues 18 th Nov	Year 4 Rivers Trust visit to Clitheroe castle all morning Year 4 Swimming Year 3 & 5 parent consultations
Wed 19 th Nov	Kate Taylor, SENCO, in school Year 2 and Reception parent consultations
Thurs 20 th Nov	Year 4 and 6 parent consultations
Tues 25 th Nov	Year 4 Swimming
Fri 28 th Nov	Year 5 trip to Lancaster Castle
Mon 1 st Dec	Kate Taylor, SENCO, in school Non-Uniform day for the Christmas fair: KS1 Tombola items KS2 Jarola
Tues 2 nd Dec	Rock Steady Concert – time to be confirmed by Arthur Year 4 Swimming
Fri 5 th Dec	Panto at The Grand all morning Christmas Fair PM
Tues 9 th Dec	10am – Year 1/2 Christmas Play 2pm – Year 1/2 Christmas Play
Wed 10 th Dec	Choir to sing at the Waddington Village Luncheon
Thurs 11 th Dec	10am – Choir to sing at the Alms Houses 2pm – Reception Christmas Stay and Play

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Fri 12 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day Santa Dash – whole school
Mon 15 th Dec	Kate Taylor, SENCO, in school
Tues 16 th Dec	10am – Reception Nativity 2pm – Reception Nativity 6pm – KS2 Carols by Candlelight at Church
Wed 17 th Dec	Christmas Dinner
Thurs 18 th Dec	Special Certificate Assembly
Fri 19 th Dec	Finish for Christmas

Harvest Service

A huge thank you to our wonderful church school community for coming together for our Harvest Service today. It was so lovely to see everyone joining in to celebrate and give thanks.

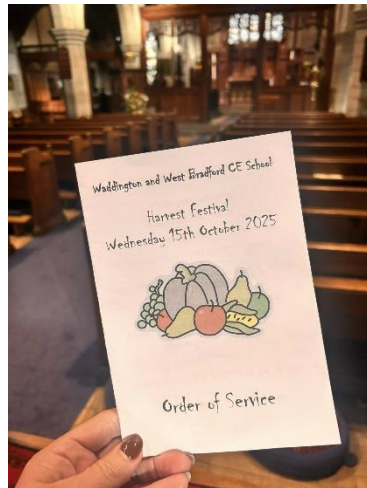
The classes that performed poems, prayers, readings and songs were just wonderful!

We are incredibly grateful for your generous donations to the food bank — your kindness will make a real difference to those in need. We are accepting donations until the end of school on Monday 20th October.

A special thank you also to Reverend Wood for leading such a thoughtful and uplifting service — we're so lucky to have such a lovely vicar supporting our school and community. 🧡



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Parent Consultations – November 2025

We will be holding face-to-face parent consultations during the week commencing 17th November 2025 to talk to you about your child's progress so far this year.

The dates for individual class consultations are as follows:

Reception	Thursday 20 th November
Year 1	Monday 17 th November
Year 2	Wednesday 19 th November
Year 3	Tuesday 18 th November
Year 4	Wednesday 19 th November
Year 5	Tuesday 18 th November
Year 6	Thursday 20 th November

The first appointment will be at 1pm and the last one will be at 6.30pm. If you can make an appointment during school hours we would very much appreciate it.

We are using an online booking system again for you to book a 10 minute slot to meet with your child's class teacher. Please look out for an email next week.

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🌟 Congratulations to our new Rainbow School Council Leaders! 🌟

We are delighted to announce that our new School Council leaders for this year have been voted in! A huge congratulations to all the successful candidates — we can't wait to see the wonderful ideas and initiatives you'll bring to our school community.

We would also like to say a big thank you to everyone who nominated themselves and took part in the elections. Your enthusiasm, confidence, and commitment to making our school an even better place are truly inspiring!

Well done, everyone! 🍌



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Reminder: No Dogs on School Grounds 🐾

We'd like to remind all families that dogs are **not permitted on the school site**, including the playground and paths within the gates. While we understand many of our families are dog lovers, this rule helps keep our school a **safe and comfortable environment** for all children, staff and families. Some pupils may feel anxious around animals, and even the friendliest dogs can behave unpredictably in busy, noisy settings.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe and at ease by leaving dogs at home or waiting with them outside the school gates.



YEAR 7 HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Please be aware that the **closing date** for applications this year is **FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER.**

Your child is less likely to be offered a place at their chosen schools if you miss the deadline for applications.

Apply at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Thank you
Mrs White

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We are a PARK RUN School

We have signed up as a Park Run school! 🏃🏃🏃

We will be doing a Park Run Take Over on Sunday 9th November so please keep this date free and we'll send more information nearer the time.

Mrs Hartley will be doing an assembly to inform the children all about this. More information will be sent home next week.



The Foundation for Ribble Valley Families

<https://frvf.co.uk/>



DID YOU KNOW?

We offer FREE online therapeutic coaching sessions to people struggling with low mood and emotional overwhelm.

Visit <https://frvf.co.uk/self-referral-tool/>

- Please note FRVF can only support young people from Year 6 upwards.






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What's On... October half term



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	NCT/Stay & Play 0 - 5 years 10:00am - 11:30am Clitheroe Family Hub Wesleyan Row Parsons Lane BB7 2JY	Baby & Bounce 0 - 18 months (siblings welcome) From 10:00am Rishton Library High Street Rishton BB1 4LA	Open Play Session 5 - 11 years 1:00pm - 2:00pm Longridge Family Hub Berry Lane PR3 3JP	Move & Groove 0 - 5 years (siblings welcome) 9:30am - 10:30am Clayton Community Centre Pickup Street Accrington BB5 5NR	Speech & Language Drop in 9:00am - 10:30am The Park Family Hub Norfolk Grove Church Accrington BB5 4RY
	Spooky Spectacular Stay & Play 0 - 11 years 10:00am - 11:30am New Era Family Hub Paradise Street Accrington BB5 1PB	Spooky Spectacular Stay & Play 0 - 11 years 10:00am - 11:30am Clitheroe Family Hub Wesleyan Row Parsons Lane BB7 2JY	Tiny Toes 0 - pre walkers 1:00pm - 2:00pm The Park Family Hub Paradise Street Accrington BB5 1PB	Spooky Spectacular Stay & Play 0 - 5 years 10:00am - 11:30am Longridge Family Hub Berry Lane PR3 3JP	Chat Play Read 2 - 4 years 9:30am - 10:30am The Park Family Hub Norfolk Grove Church Accrington BB5 4RY
	Spooky Spectacular Baby & You 0 - 18 months 1:30pm - 3:00pm Longridge Family Hub Berry Lane PR3 3JP	Tiny Toes 0 - pre walkers 1:00pm - 2:30pm New Era Family Hub Paradise Street Accrington BB5 1PB		Spooky Spectacular Stay & Play 0 - 5 years 1:30pm - 3:00pm Rishton Family Centre (Copperhouse) 7 Station Road Rishton BB1 4HF	Development Matters 0 - 5 years 9:30am - 10:30am Clayton Community Centre Pickup Street Accrington BB5 5NR
	Family Stay and Play Session 0 - 11 years (open to all) 1:30pm - 3:00pm Raza Jamia Masjid 39 Lower Antley Street Accrington BB5 0BA	Spooky Spectacular Stay & Play 0 - 5 years 1:30 - 3:00pm Great Harwood Family Centre Rushton Street BB6 7JQ		Spooky Sports 5 - 11 years 1:30pm - 3:00pm Clitheroe Family Hub Wesleyan Row Parsons Lane BB7 2JY	Baby & You 9:30am - 11:00am The Park Family Hub Norfolk Grove Church Accrington BB5 4RY
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SENCO



Mrs Kate Taylor is our Special Educational Needs Coordinator.

Mrs Harrington is now also the 'back-up' SENCO in school and can help parents when Mrs Taylor is not on site. She can be contacted via the school office.

Mrs Taylor will be in school on the dates below this term but can also be contacted via email on senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk

Monday 3rd November

Monday 17th November

Monday 1st December

Monday 15th December

Attendance

Week commencing 13th October 2025

We are aiming for every child/class to have at least 96% attendance

Class	Attendance Percentage
Reception	99%
Year 1	97.5%
Year 2	91.9%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	98.5%
Year 5	97.4%
Year 6	93.8%

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CONTACT US



Please always request to speak to your child's class teacher as first point of contact if you have a query or concern. If it cannot be resolved with the teacher, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will aim to make themselves available to you as soon as possible.

School contact details: 01200 422915 or bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk

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