



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

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Christian focus: Each half term, we revisit the Christian values of love, respect, forgiveness, compassion, courage, patience.
This half term, we will look at the themes of friendship, love and respect.

Dear Parents and Carers,

May I start by thanking everyone for their condolences and prayers. It really was appreciated. It is lovely to be back in school with the children and the whole community.

Going forward, an addition to our newsletters will be an events page provided by Reverend Nicola. We work closely with Holy Trinity and so I am sure parents will find the information useful.

On the last day of this half term, Friday 16th February, we will be holding our very own ‘Horwich Parish Has Got Talent’, in Church at 9am. This is always an eagerly anticipated event which the children thoroughly enjoy. I am currently seeking judges for the competition! Parents and friends are invited to join us. This year we will be charging £1 entry fee to support our school fundraising. The children have requested we fundraise for more Chrome books for use in classes.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards

Mrs Mills

“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16

Our vision is to be a school where everyone can achieve and “let their light shine” both individually and collectively as a community.

Learning to love each other as Jesus has loved us, respecting each other and growing into the people God has called us to be.



Please follow us at
@HorwichParishCE and keep up to date with the class blogs on the website.





Dates for your diary...

Events at Horwich Parish in February

Friday 2nd February – NSPCC Number Day – children can dress as either a number or a rock star e.g. sports kit with a number, onesie, dominoes, spots/stripes or a full-on rock star!

Week beginning 5th February – Children’s mental health week

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7th February – HH Kids Parents Session 5-6pm (information on Puberty & Sex Education that will be taught to the Year 5 and 6 children – all parents are welcome to attend)

Monday 12th February – Class open afternoon for parents 2.45pm

Thursday 15th February – Break the Rules fundraising day – more information to follow

Friday 16th February – Horwich Parish Has Got Talent in Church at 9am – all are welcome

Friday 16th February – Uniform giveaway outside school at 3pm

School closes on Friday 16th February for half term

Monday 26th February – School reopens at 8.40am

Tuesday 27th February – NSPCC to deliver worship

Future events in March

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Friday 8th March – Mother’s Day Celebration in Church at 9am

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day – more information to follow

Monday 18th March – ‘Let’s Go Sing’ concert at King George’s Hall, Blackburn

Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st March – Parents’ Evening

Thursday 28th March – Easter Service in Church at 9am

School closes on Thursday 28th March for Easter (reopens on Monday 15th April 2024)

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Richard Howarth from Haier-Europe who came to present the Reception classes with a brand new washing machine. It will be well used!



Year 6 “Snack Shack”

Year 6 will be holding their “snack shack” every Friday at morning break. All healthy snacks are 50p.



The Lighthouse Club at Horwich Parish

Places are available at our before and after school club, The Lighthouse Club.

Before school 7.30am – 8.40am £5.50 per session

After school 3.15/3.20pm – 6pm £11.50 per session

If you are interested, please collect a pack from the school office.

The email address for The Lighthouse Club is lighthouse@horwichparish.net which can be used to register your child, book additional sessions, ask any questions etc.

PARENTPAY ITEMS

Lunches

The cost of lunches for the remainder of this half term is £24.70 (5th February – 16th February 2024).

Payments need to be paid in advance and we are currently have to chase those accounts going into debt.

Please make sure you check your child's account regularly. 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.

Reception Snacks

Reception snacks for this half term are £7.50. Payments can be made via Parent Pay if you have not already paid.

Year 6 Residential – Kingswood, Colomendy – October 2024

Thank you for the payments we have received so far. The payment schedule for the remainder is as follows

- Second payment of £70 by 22nd March 2024
- Third payment of £78.50 by 7th June 2024

These payments can be made any time up to the deadlines as they are active on ParentPay now. If you have any questions about payments or deadlines, please speak to Mrs Cheetham in the School Office.

Emails to staff

Just a reminder that staff will respond to all emails including year group emails between the hours of 8.30am and 5pm. If your message is urgent, please ring the school office which is open 8.00am to 4pm. Thank you!

Snacks and drinks reminder

Children in Years 1-6 are welcome to bring a snack to eat at breaktime. As we are a nut free school, snacks should contain no nuts and should be healthy e.g. fruit, rice cakes NOT crisps, chocolate bars etc.

Please can children bring a named bottle in to school which should only contain plain or flavoured still water NOT juice, cordial etc.

Mobile Phones

Please could we remind parents that Year 3 - 6 children may bring a mobile phone to school if it is required to keep the children safe travelling to and from school. In line with our safeguarding policy, children know that phones **MUST NOT** be switched on whilst on the school premises. School takes no responsibility for children's phones.



Holy Trinity Church

News and Information

Informal Family Services are held each week at 9.15am with the occasional Sunday being a United Service at a slightly different time – usually for some of the significant dates in the church calendar.

A few notable dates coming up in the next couple of months for your diaries:

- 4th February – 9.15am Parade Service & Sausage Sunday *Sausage buns will be served in the narthex from 8.45am to 9.10am*
- 10th March – 10.00am Mothering Sunday with Cake Stall..... *There will be a cake stall in church with proceeds going to Christian Aid. All contributions of cakes for the stall will be most welcome!*
- 17th March – 9.15am Book Sunday..... *Books will be presented to all the children who attend our church. Children and parents are invited to come dressed as their favourite book or bible character!*
- 29th March – 10.00am Good Friday & Hike to the Pike Hot cross buns and drinks will be served before the hikers set off for the Pike, walking at a leisurely pace to suit everyone from babies to great-grandparents. Bring a packed lunch.
- 31st March – 10.00am Easter Day.....A celebration of the risen Lord, with activities for all the family

Thanks and blessings.

Revd Nicola Butterworth

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