



Wheatley Lane Methodist Primary School Newsletter 26/6/26



Dear friends

Some of you I'm sure will remember the Beatle's song 'Hello, Goodbye', written primarily by Paul McCartney and released as a single in 1967.

Well it won't be long before we say goodbye to some of our children, and hello to others.

At the end of this week we will be saying goodbye to Rev Rick at his farewell service on Sunday afternoon.

Rev Rick has been Superintendent Minister for the Burnley and Pendle Circuit, and has been involved in the school in a number of different ways since being appointed here.

He will be moving with his wife Susan to Lanchester in the North East, and I'm sure they will value our good wishes and prayers.

I'm sure there will be changes in some of your lives too, but the one thing that we can be sure of, is that God will be with us. He is the same yesterday, today and forever, and a rock beneath our feet.

I hope we will all have confidence in that.

With best wishes,

Rev Adrian

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for times of hello and times of goodbye. We pray for Rev Rick and Susan as they move to the North East, and for any of us who are living through change.

Please help us to remember you will never leave us, and that you are our rock through it all.

Amen.

Music concert

Year 3 would love to perform for their families to showcase their wonderful ukulele skills. There will be a music concert on 9th July at 8:55am in the school hall. Our guitar and keyboard players will also be playing. Please come along and join us.



What's been happening in school this week

It's been a very hot one this week but that hasn't stopped the fun! Our children have had lots of experiences this week which will help them *'Be inspired to aspire'*.

On Tuesday, Y6 had the most fantastic morning! We were lucky enough to be joined by members of the Lancashire Police Force who gave up their time to show us a variety of things they do and use in their jobs. We used the mobile speed cameras to see the speeds of cars up and down Wheatley Lane and we got to see the amazing technology inside the mobile speed vans. Emma Greenwood (thank you so much Emma) brought the riot van and the riot gear and we got to experience the use of the shields and feel how heavy all the gear is that the officers have to wear. Emma answered lots of our questions and gave up so much of her time and we really can't thank her enough for all that she did

To finish the session, the K9 unit came to show us what they do. They demonstrated how the dogs find money, weapons, phones and keys. We met Bane, Arty and Casio. Bane and his dad (Dave Lees another parent in school - again thank you so much for your time) showed us how they apprehend criminals too. An amazing day and we have written thank you letters which we intend to send out this week.

Year 5 children visited Fisher More for a high school taster day. They experienced a range of different subjects such as food technology, English, maths, PE, art, history and geography. Thank you to the Fisher More for organising this and providing transport.

Y2 have started a street dance with Encore Dance which will be taking place over the next few weeks. There were some fantastic moves on display in their first session.

Y5 led a great worship on Thursday on the theme of justice. They told us the story of Daniel from the Old Testament including some very comical lions who thankfully decided to go on a kindness diet. Well done Y5!

Year 4 have been creating branching keys in science. They started with liquorice allsorts to help them understand how they work.



Site supervisor vacancy

Are you our next site supervisor? Do you know someone who would be perfect for the role?

Please find all the details below:

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/150581/EDV-2026-WLMPS-22016>



Diary Dates



29/6/26	Sports Day	Infants 9:30am Juniors 1:30pm
2/7/26	Y1 worship	8:50am in the school hall
9/7/26	Music concert	8:55am in the school hall
14/7/26	Y5/6 play	The Hippodrome, Colne (evening)
16/7/26	Reception worship	8:50am in the school hall
21/7/26	Y6 leavers' service	2pm in church
22/7/26	Last day of term	2pm finish

Classes for next year

We are delighted to have two new staff joining us in September - Sally Brennan and Louise Hawkrigg. They are looking forward to meeting their new classes on June 30th for our moving up afternoon. Welcome to the Wheatley Lane team!

Rec - Ms Lyndsey Jennings and Mrs Laura Birro

Y1 - Miss Sally Brennan

Y2 - Mrs Louise Hawkrigg

Y3 - Mrs Catherine Riley

Y4 - Mrs Helen Hargreaves

Y5 - Mrs Salma Abbas

Y6 - Mr Dave Metcalfe and Mr Craig Latham



Epworth Worship Together

This week's worship is all about Life in all its fullness led by Summerseat. Scan the QR code to watch at home.



Explore further at home

Get a paper plate or cut out a circle and split it into different sections for all the different elements of life.

Add to it as the week goes on.

Is your life full and balanced or are some bits more empty than others.

Make sure you do your bit to add to someone else's life by doing something kind for them!

Attendance Matters

Reception	96.7%
Year 1	96.3%
Year 2	96.9%
Year 3	99%
Year 4	94.1%
Year 5	94.8%
Year 6	97.7%



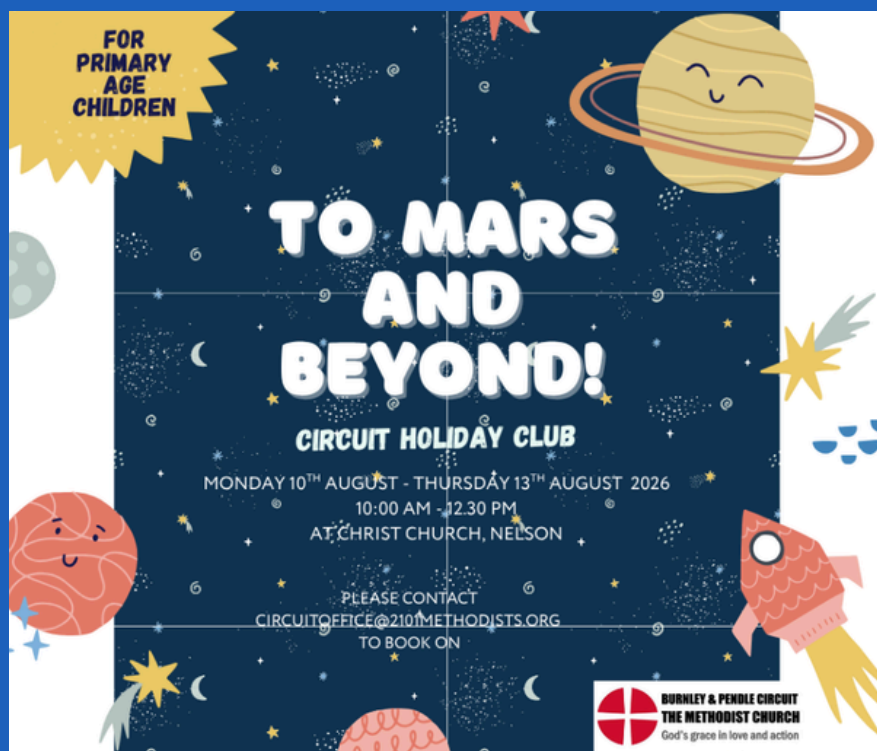
No school days missed	100%	Fantastic future
2 days absent	99%	10 learning hours lost
4 days absent	98%	20 learning hours lost
6 days absent	97%	30 learning hours lost
7.5 days absent	96%	37.5 learning hours lost
9.5 days absent	95%	47.5 learning hours lost
11 days absent	94%	55 learning hours lost
13 days absent	93%	65 learning hours lost
15 days / 3 weeks absent	92%	75 learning hours lost
17 days absent	91%	85 learning hours lost
19 days absent	90%	95 learning hours lost

Special Awards

REC	Freya - A wonderful role model in the classroom and she has written a fantastic underwater adventure
Y1	Aahil - Fantastic writing in English all week
Y2	Albie- For his fantastic creation in Art
Y3	Prunella - Always being ready to learn
Y4	Harry - Excellent descriptive writing in English and neat handwriting
Y5	Jude - An excellent attitude at Fisher More
Y6	Amelia - Always working as hard as she can and following the 'Wheatley Way'

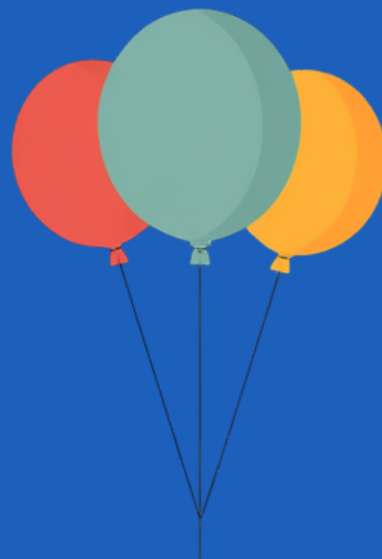
Headteacher Award

Oscar Y3 - Oscar is a very polite young man and I always enjoy chatting with him.



Wellbeing Matters



A poster for tombola donations. It features a logo for "Friends of Wheatley Lane School" with a rainbow and the letters "F.W.L.S.". The text "Tombola donations needed!" is written in large, bold, red letters. Below this, a list of items needed for donations is provided: Pop/soda, Bubble bath/lotions etc, Chocolates, and Sweets. The poster concludes with the instruction "Please bring to the school office" in bold black letters. The background is decorated with tropical illustrations like a watermelon slice, a monstera leaf, and a palm tree.

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- Bubble bath/lotions etc
- Chocolates
- Sweets

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