

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

24th April 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Reverend Emily was introduced to the parish and officially started her role as the new Vicar of Leyland St James Church. It was a special afternoon with many parishioners in attendance and supported by familiar faces from school.

Reverend Emily has asked to introduce herself to parents and carers and has sent over a message for you all:

Hello, my name is Rev Emily, and I'm the new vicar of St James' church. You'll see me around at school quite a bit - I'll be doing assemblies, helping out in lessons and supporting the staff. You'll also see me at the school gate doing the school run with my own son. First of all, I wanted to say thank you to everyone who's made us feel so welcome over the last couple of weeks. I also wanted to let you know that you're all welcome to join us for worship at our family services at church - they're at 10.30 every Sunday and this week will be my first week. I'm also here for the whole school community, whether or not you are a person of faith. Do feel free to get in touch if you would ever like to chat about faith, would like me to pray for you or just need a listening ear.

God bless.

Emily

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## Book Fair

I would like to extend a huge thank you to parents, carers and grandparents who attended our recent coffee mornings, continuing the strong partnership we have between school and our families.

The total sold was £1596.91 which means school receive £959.92 to spend for books in school with the focus of promoting authors and stories from different cultures.

A special thank you to Mrs Blundell, who organised and facilitated these events.



Shine like stars as children of God, Philippians 2:15

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## Sports Days

Our Sports Days are planned for the following dates:

**Year 3 and 4** - Monday 6th July at 9:30

**Key Stage 1** - Tuesday 7th July at 9:30

**Year 5 and 6** - Friday 10th July at 9:30



Children are expected to come to school wearing their PE uniform on their Sports Day and will not need to wear or bring their school uniform.

They should also bring a bottle of water to school. Please apply sun cream to your child before they arrive at school if it's a sunny day.

If we cancel any events, due to inclement weather, we will inform you via Seesaw with as much notice as possible.

Thank you for all your support.

Mr Atherton

# SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Reception: 98.6%

Year 1: 95.5%

Year 2: 97.9%

Year 3: 98.4%

Year 4: 97.3%

Year 5: 98.7%

Year 6: 97.7%

This week's attendance  
champions are Year:

**5**



Well done Year 5!

You achieved 98.7% attendance for  
your class!

Whole school attendance  
this week is:

**97.7%**





## DATES FOR THE DIARY



<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	School nurse drop in 9:15-10:15am
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank holiday - school closed
<b>Monday 11th May-Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	SATs week
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	PTFA May Fair - more details to follow
<b>Friday 22nd May</b>	Finsih for half term at 3:15pm
<b>23rd May-31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	HALF TERM
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	Return to school after half term. School starts at 8:45am
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	World Cup starts. Wear football kits or red & white for England - details to follow from the PTFA
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y6 trip to Edge Hill
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y6 trip to St George's Church (Leavers' Service)
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Sports Day (YEAR 3 & 4)
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Sports Day (KEY STAGE 1)
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Sports Day (YEAR 5 & 6)

